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A Publication of Oshkosh/
Winnebago County
Housing Authority's
Family Self Sufficiency Program



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Dear FSS participants,

Happy Summer! Oshkosh/Winnebago County Housing Authority offices are still closed to the public. We are still here though and ready whenever you are. If you need to submit documentation of a job starting or ending, please submit: by email to kayh@ohawcha.org, fax (920-424-1474) or drop into our drop box at : 600 Merritt Avenue, Oshkosh or 265 Kaukauna St, Menasha.

Check out these events and many more in this August newsletter:



Gradation: Yay! We have an FSS graduation even in this crazy COVID times. Chaniel has found full time employment and more than part time employment while on the FSS program. She ran her credit report, tracked her spending, made a budget, explored owning her own business, and maintained full time and part time employment. She has worked hard to better herself and her family while on the FSS program. Chaniel is graduating with \$ 3,641.29 from her escrow. Congrats!

Oshkosh Back To School Fair is on August 13th. **Important Update!! We will not be having a drive thru Back to School Fair.** If you signed up, watch for your letter to come in the mail the first week in August.

Farmers to Families Food Box is on August 3, 10, 17, 24, and 31. See page 12 for more information. Menasha dates included too!

More Food: John Hobbins is coordinating knock n go delivery of food boxes (fresh fruit and vegetables, frozen meat and vegetables, dry goods) to addresses of people in need in Oshkosh, Neenah, Menasha, Winneconne, and Appleton through the end of August. Every Tuesday and Thursday between 11 am and noon. Some families ask for it once a week. If you would like a food box delivered , please contact John Hobbins at john.hobbins@oshkosh.k12.wi.us.

Please read the rest of this newsletter with educational, employment and community opportunities. I wish you and your family a very Happy August! Let's continue to strive to meet your goals and strengthen your self sufficiency. And as always, please let me know how I can help you by calling me at 920-424-1470 ext. 133.

Your success is my success.

Warm Regards!

Kay Hinton
FSS Coordinator



Parent Connection



Parent Education Workshops | Co-Parenting



For parents who are separated, divorced or other

- This class will provide an introduction to co-parenting
- It focuses on identifying priorities and strengths as well as developing a parenting plan
- Co-parents can learn to build their child up, rather than pulling them apart.

Date: Monday, August 17, 2020

Time: 6:00 pm (plan 60-90 minutes)

Register for this FREE on-line parent workshop:

<https://www.onlineregistrationcenter.com/register/346-4149>

Or Contact Jen DiMatteo | jdimatteo@familyservicesnew.org

All who register will receive an e-mail with details for this event

1-2 business days prior to the scheduled date.



Cancellation Line:
(920) 739-4226 ext. 154



Like us on Facebook for the most up-to-date workshop information.

www.facebook.com/ParentConnectionWI



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Fox Cities: 1810 Appleton Road, Menasha WI 54952 | (920) 739-4226

Oshkosh: 36 Broad Street, Suite 150, Oshkosh 54901 | (920) 233-6630

Shawano: 100 County Road B, Shawano 54166 | (715) 853-0923

www.familyservicesnew.org/parent-connection



Active Parenting of Teens

Parent Connection | Parent Workshops



For parents of preteens & teens

These workshops are for parents experiencing the changes of teenage development and to help prepare preteens & teens to survive & thrive in society. We will discuss teens today, drugs, sex, styles of parenting, control versus influence, mutual respect and more.



On-Line Classes

Opening July 21

(plan 60-90 minutes per class)

\$5.00 per person for first two classes

- Additional sessions 3 & 4 and 5 & 6 in this curriculum will be offered in the future for additional fees.
- Separate Registration Needed for Additional Classes. We hope you continue with the curriculum.
- ADDITIONAL RELEASE DATES TO BE DETERMINED
- We will update all who register as details are finalized

Class topics could be covered in 5 separate classes, ensuring participants receive full content of this curriculum.

Topics:

- 1) Active Parenting
- 2) Winning Cooperation
- 3) Responsibility & Discipline
- 4) Building Courage & Redirecting Misbehavior
- 5 & 6) Drugs, Sexuality, Violence & Reducing Risks



Register On-Line:

Family Services website: www.familyservicesnew.org/parenting-classes

Parent Connection Facebook Events: www.facebook.com/pg/ParentConnectionWI/events

OR contact Jeni Rettler | jrettler@familyservicesnew.org



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Please be aware that a Scam involving Medicare participants has hit Winnebago County!

Individuals on Medicare may receive a package shipped overnight to their residence. The package contains a DNA collection swab kit, a return envelope with an overnight delivery return paid shipping sticker. As soon as the package is received at the victim's address, the scammer is notified through tracking of the package and calls the victim to explain the package is outside their residence and it was a test ordered by their doctor. The scammer informs the victim they are "happy" to walk them through the swabbing process. The victim, whom is told this process is TIME SENSITIVE, follows the directions of the person on the phone, swabs the inside of their cheek, puts the swab back into the kit and SIGNS the form indicating it is indeed their signature for the test.

Once the test is complete and the kit signed, the victim is directed to place the materials into the prepaid envelope and the delivery company comes back and picks the package up and ships it to the scammer.

Once the scammer received the information, they will excessively bill Medicare and they get paid quickly. When Medicare learns of the overcharge and fraudulent test, they bill the victim reportedly as much as \$10,000, and since the victim signed the form they either have to pay it or contest it.

Please advise your loved ones to be aware of this and other similar scams and NEVER give out information or follow the direction of someone that may call them that they do not know. If they receive a similar call, have them ask the caller for a callback number and inform tell them to tell the caller that they will call them back later. This will give you time to check out the validity of the caller.

If you feel you are potentially being scammed, please contact your local law enforcement agency to inform them of the situation.





Job Seekers Network is a networking group that meets virtually to discuss current job search strategies. Participants will be given the opportunity to network with fellow job seekers, employment advisors, and local employers.

Join these virtual networking sessions to discuss about employment related topics, EVERY MONDAY from 10 - 10:30 am through Microsoft Teams. Open to the public.

Register here:

https://foxvalleytechnicalcollege.formstack.com/forms/virtual_job_seekers_network

Monday, August 3, 2020 at 10 AM – 10:30 AM

Monday, August 10, 2020 at 10 AM – 10:30 AM

Monday, August 17, 2020 at 10 AM – 10:30 AM

Monday, August 23, 2020 at 10 AM – 10:30 AM

EmpowHER

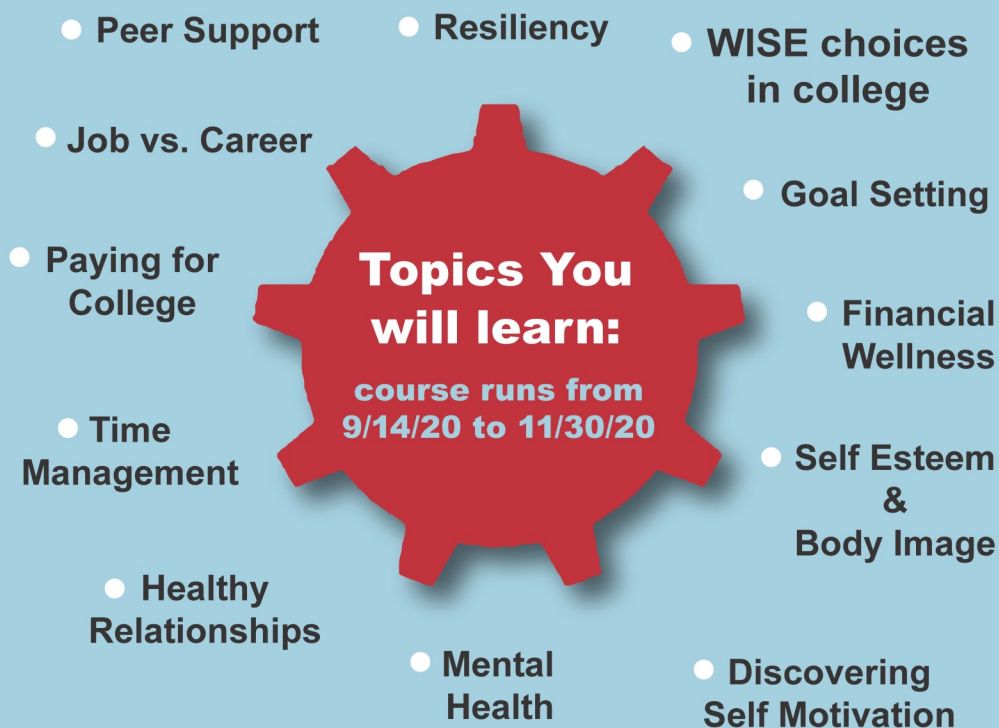
Are you 18 to 29 years old (without children) and looking for direction in the areas of education, employment and a healthy lifestyle? Do you think about your future and wonder what your path will look like?

Do you live in Calumet, Outagamie, Shawano, or Waupaca Counties or communities of Neenah & Menasha?

If so there is a new program for you!

The Women's Fund for the Fox Valley Region has partnered with Fox Valley Technical College to bring you EmpowHER! A FREE 12 week workshop focused on topics young women in their teens and twenties face in our community today!

Workshop Details: **Mondays, September 14, 2020 through November 30, 2020**
from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm at Fox Valley Technical College-Appleton Campus
Class will be in a hybrid format (in-person and online)



Testimonials:

"I learned a lot of life skills I was missing, like budgeting. Now I finally know how to grow my finances and save money!"

"Through this course I have gained more self confidence, motivation, and have learned more than I ever hoped for."

Contact Information: Kelly Kohl (920) 735-4825 kohlk@fvtc.edu, Kara Nowak (920) 735-5722 nowakk@fvtc.edu
To find out if you are eligible, fill out this survey online www.fvtc.edu/EmpowHER

Ramp Up Your

FUTURE

at FVTC



Enter Here

This 1 credit class is designed to develop the skills, attitude and habits needed for college success. In addition, time will be spent exploring career pathways and learning to stay "on-course".



Step 1: Please contact Shannon Schultz at (920) 831-5402 for the Individual Orientation Meeting

Fall 2020 Individual Orientation Meeting for Appleton

Class #	Date/Time	Room
22511	Flex	Internet

Step 2: Choose One Virtual Transition Class

Fall 2020 College Transition Class Schedule for Appleton

Class #'s	Day	Time	Dates	Room
Class # 22471 and Class # 22478	Monday	12:30-2:20 p.m.	8/24/20-12/14/20	Virtual
Class # 22472 and Class # 22479	Tuesday	5:30-7:20 p.m.	8/25/20-12/15/20	Virtual

Love & Logic

Parent Connection | Parent Workshop



For parents of children 0-6

Join us for this interactive three-session video-based series that puts parents in control, teaches children to be responsible and prepares them for the real world. Effective consequences, choices & communication are the cornerstones for this workshop.

On-Line Classes

Tuesdays, August 4, 11 & 18

6:00 pm to 7:00 pm (or longer)

\$10.00 per person

Plan to attend all 3 sessions



Register On-Line:

Family Services website: www.familyservicesnew.org/parenting-classes

Parent Connection Facebook Events: www.facebook.com/pg/ParentConnectionWI/events

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Father Carr's Bridge Walk



**SEPT. 12 FIRST
SATURDAY AFTER
LABOR DAY**



SAVE THE "NEW" DATE

**Father Carr's "HOMECOMING" Bridge Walk
on Sept. 12 @ 12pm**

Come, put on a prior year's Bridge Walk t-shirt and join us as we walk across the Butte de Morts bridge on the Wiouwash Trail.

Events will include - **ICE CREAM SOCIAL, RAFFLES, ENTERTAINMENT AND TOURS OF OUR CAMPUS**

No Registration Required or fee required

Food Pantry and Monetary Donations will kindly be accepted to support the many facets of Father Carr's ministries.

Our walk will allow for social distancing. Caution will be taken for raffles, prizes, music and ice cream. Activities will be outside to help ensure safety. Everyone's health and safety is our top priority.

MORE INFO AT WWW.FATHERCARRS.ORG

Attachment 2

Information and Resources for Tenants during COVID-19



The Temporary Suspension on Evictions will End on July 24, 2020

IF YOU'VE HAD A LOSS OF INCOME,
TALK TO YOUR PHA RIGHT AWAY ABOUT A POSSIBLE RENT REDUCTION



Prevent Eviction
for Non-Payment



COVID-19
Information &
Safety Concerns



Protections for
Domestic and
Sexual Violence



Services and
Resources



Prevent Eviction for Non-Payment of Rent

➤ Might I get an eviction notice for non-payment of rent after July 24, 2020?

Yes. Unless a longer eviction moratorium is in effect under state or local law, starting on July 25, 2020, your PHA or landlord can give you an eviction notice if you have not paid your rent or entered into a repayment agreement. Federal law under the CARES Act requires that the eviction notice provided at the end of the moratorium gives the tenant at least 30 days to vacate the property, but a longer notice period may be required by state or local law. If you receive an eviction notice, you must follow the local process for eviction proceedings. If you feel you are being wrongfully evicted, contact your local legal aid organization or social service agencies. If you are a Voucher participant, you may also contact your local PHA. If you are a public housing participant, you have the right to a grievance procedure as stated in your lease.

➤ What can I do to avoid eviction if I have unpaid rent due?

Rent was still due and has accumulated if it was unpaid. If you have any unpaid rent, talk to your PHA right away about the possible options below:

- (1) If you have had a decrease in income or change in circumstances that made it difficult to pay your rent on time, ask your PHA to recertify your income.
 - ✓ For both public housing participants and Voucher participants, the PHA will review your current income and adjust your rent to reflect the change.
 - Tip! If the change in income was not reported promptly, ask the PHA about their policy on retroactive rent adjustments (some may allow them, some may not).
 - ✓ You could also ask the PHA if you are eligible for a minimum rent hardship exemption. All PHAs are required to provide minimum rent hardship exemptions. You can review the PHA's Admission and Continued Occupancy Policy (ACOP) or Administrative Plan for information of the PHA's local policies for hardship exemptions, or you can reach out to the PHA directly.
- (2) All public housing participants and Voucher participants have the option to pay the back rent in a lump sum by July 24, 2020. Your PHA and landlord cannot charge late fees or interest for rent due in the months of April, May, June, and July of 2020.

Farmers to Families Food Box

A poster for the Farmers to Families Food Box program. The background is a collage of fresh produce including tomatoes, peaches, and leafy greens. A central white box contains the text. The title 'FARMERS TO FAMILIES FOOD BOX' is in large, bold, dark red letters. Below it, 'FREE FOR THE OSHKOSH COMMUNITY' is in bold black letters. The schedule 'When: Mondays - July (13, 20, 27) August (3, 10, 17, 24, 31) 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.' is in bold black letters. The location 'Where: UWO Kolf Sports Center (Enter Lot #7 off High Avenue)' is in bold black letters. A paragraph explains the USDA partnership. The phrase 'First come, first served basis.' is in bold black letters. 'NO INCOME REQUIREMENTS.' is in bold black letters. Logos for Valley Cooperative Association and Feeding America Eastern Wisconsin are at the bottom. A list of logistics partners is at the very bottom.

FARMERS TO FAMILIES FOOD BOX

FREE FOR THE OSHKOSH COMMUNITY

When: Mondays - July (13, 20, 27)
August (3, 10, 17, 24, 31)
10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Where: UWO Kolf Sports Center
(Enter Lot #7 off High Avenue)

The USDA is partnering with farmers, distributors and nonprofits to ensure that **everyone** has access to the fresh produce, meat and dairy they need during the COVID-19 crisis. Receive your food box during the weekly Oshkosh drive-thru distribution. Be sure to clear out your trunk before you come.

First come, first served basis.

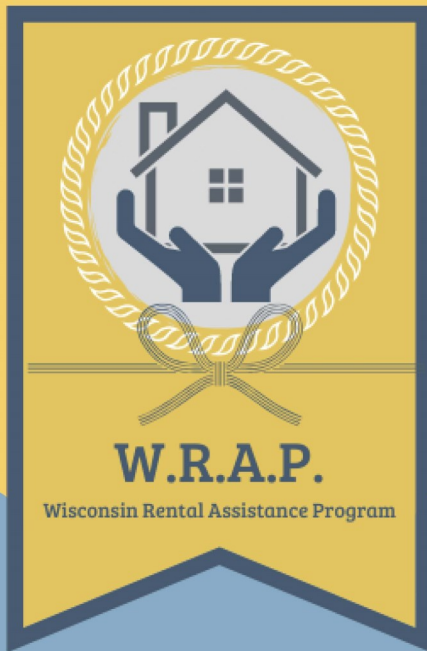
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 **Valley** COOPERATIVE ASSOCIATION
Share in what's possible.

 **FEEDING AMERICA**
Eastern Wisconsin

Oshkosh logistics partners: Oshkosh Area Community Foundation, Oshkosh Area United Way, University of Wisconsin Oshkosh, Oshkosh Area Community Pantry, Father Carl's Place 2B, Oshkosh Corporation, Amcor, J.J. Keller Foundation

Menasha Farm to Family Drive-up:
Wednesdays: July 8 – August 26
Nathan Calder Stadium
1065 Racine Road, Menasha, WI 54952
1 p.m. – 3 p.m.



Wisconsinites should not fear being evicted or being without a place to live because their budgets have been impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. And, that's why **"We're All In."**

Governor Tony Evers and the Wisconsin Department of Administration (DOA) are partnering with members of the Wisconsin Community Action Program Association (CAP) to assist renters when they need it most.

W.R.A.P. WISCONSIN RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

In general, eligible applicants must be an adult Wisconsin resident with a household income at or below 80% of the county median income in the month of or prior to the application date.



Eligible costs include:

- Direct financial assistance for owed rent
- Security deposits



UP TO \$3,000

The Rental Assistance Program can award up to \$3,000 per household in a combination of rental payments and/or security deposits. The payment is paid directly to the landlord.

CAP Agencies will begin taking applications for W.R.A.P. on or before June 8th, 2020.

WI Rental Assistance Program

Family Self Sufficiency

WHERE TO APPLY

DOA is proud to partner with the Wisconsin Community Action Program Association!

ADVOCAP

Counties Served: Fond du Lac, Calumet, Green Lake, and Winnebago

Phone: (920) 922-7760

CAP Services, Inc.

Counties Served: Marquette, Outagamie, Portage, Waupaca, and Waushara

Phone: (715) 343-7500

Central Wisconsin CAC, Inc.

Counties Served: Adams, Columbia, Dodge, Juneau, and Sauk

Phone: (608) 254-8353

Community Action of Rock and Walworth

Counties Served: Rock and Walworth

Phone:
(608) 313-1337 (Rock Co.)
(262) 728-8297 (Walworth Co.)

Community Action for South Central Wisconsin, Inc.

Counties Served: Dane, Waukesha, Jefferson

Phone: (608) 237-1255

Coulecap, Inc.

Counties Served: Crawford, La Crosse, Monroe, and Vernon

Phone: (608) 782-4877

Indianhead CAA

Counties Served: Burnett, Clark, Rusk, Sawyer, Taylor, and Washburn

Phone: (715) 532-4222

Lakeshore CAP

Counties Served: Door, Kewaunee, Manitowoc, and Sheboygan

Phone: (920) 682-3737

NEWCAP, Inc.

Counties Served: Brown, Florence, Forest, Langlade, Marinette, Menominee, Oconto, Oneida, Shawano, and Vilas

Phone: (800) 242-7334

North Central CAP

Counties Served: Lincoln, Marathon, and Wood

Phone: (715) 424-2581

Northwest CSA

Counties Served: Ashland, Bayfield, Douglas, Iron, and Price

Phone: (715) 392-5127

Racine/Kenosha CAA

Counties Served: Racine and Kenosha

Phone:
(262) 637-8377 (Racine Co.)
(262) 657-0840 (Kenosha Co.)

Social Development Commission

Counties Served: Milwaukee, Ozaukee, and Washington

Phone: (414) 326-2888

Southwest CAP

Counties Served: Grant, Green, Iowa, Lafayette, and Richland

Phone: (608) 935-2326 Ext. 203

West CAP

Counties Served: Barron, Chippewa, Dunn, Pepin, Pierce, Polk, and St. Croix

Phone: (715) 265-4271

Western Dairyland EOC

Counties Served: Buffalo, Eau Claire, Jackson, and Trempealeau

Phone:
(715) 836-7511 (Eau Claire Co.)
(715) 985-2391 (Buffalo, Trempealeau, Jackson Co.)



GOVERNOR
TONY EVERS





Press Brake Operator Boot Camp

This intensive 8-week; 64-hour Press Brake Operator Boot Camp will allow participants to develop a basic understanding of press brake operations with focus on safe and efficient work practices. Participants will be able to apply print reading fundamentals, math and measurement conversion, understand press brake operations and related terminology, understand and practice safe operating procedures, understand types of bends, and consistently produce simple one bend parts to quality specifications using safe operating procedures.

Achieve the Fundamentals

- Understand press brake operation and related terminology
- Understand and practice safe operating procedures
- Understand types of bends

Start to produce simple one bend parts to quality specifications

Dates and Registration

Thursdays, October 15-December 10, 2020

7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

MPTC Jackson Regional Center

\$2,600 per person. Price includes materials.

To register, call Julie at 920-924-3332 or email bootcamps@morainepark.edu.

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- Take classes that will transfer to other colleges



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Oshkosh / Winnebago County Housing Main Office Circle Drive & Drop Box: 600 Merritt Avenue, Oshkosh

- Street parking is available on the west side of Monroe St and the north side of Merritt Ave, as well as three 10-minute spots along the circle drive, as shown in orange: 
- The **24-hour drop box** is located inside of the first set of doors located at the south west circle drive entrance, as marked by the red X. Once inside the first set of doors, the drop box will be ahead on your right.

