



Social Services News

DECEMBER 2018

LP Wilson Community Center
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DECEMBER...

IS THE MONTH TO SPREAD GOOD CHEER! NEVER UNDERESTIMATE THE POWER OF KINDNESS!

ELECTRIC PORTABLE SPACE HEATER SAFETY

When the weather turns cold, it can bring a chill into our homes. Portable space heaters have become a popular way to supplement central heating or heat one room. If you plan to use portable electric space heaters, make sure to follow these tips and recommendations:

HEATER CHECKLIST:

- Purchase a heater that is listed by a qualified testing laboratory.
- Keep the heater at least 3 feet away from anything that can burn, including people.
- Choose a heater with a thermostat and overheat protection.
- Place the heater on a solid, flat surface.
- Make sure your heater has an auto shut-off to turn the heater off if it tips over.
- Keep space heaters out of the way of foot traffic. Never block an exit.
- Keep children away from the space heater.
- Plug the heater directly into the wall outlet. Never use an extension cord.
- Space heaters should be turned off and unplugged when you leave the room or go to bed.

FACT: Nearly half of all space heater fires involve electric space heaters.

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Windsor Food and Fuel Bank

2018 ANNUAL APPEAL

WINDSOR FOOD AND FUEL BANK 2018 ANNUAL APPEAL

By now you should have received in your mailbox the 2018 Annual Appeal letter for the Windsor Food & Fuel Bank. It is their mission to ensure that no person goes hungry, is cold, or is without basic necessities. Please consider joining them in helping our neighbors in need.

DID YOU KNOW-

- \$25 could feed a child for a week
- \$50 could power a 1 bedroom apartment for a month
- \$150 fills a Weekend Wheels backpack with food for one child's entire school year

Every donation makes a difference!

DONATIONS CAN BE MAILED TO:

Windsor Food & Fuel Bank, Box 854, Windsor, CT

You can also view the Annual Appeal letter on their website at: www.windsorfoodbank.org.

**Neighbors Helping Neighbors
Since 1967**

CLOSINGS IN DECEMBER:

Tuesday, December 25th, Christmas Day.
LP Wilson Closed. Food bank closed.



GROCERIES TO GO

**Dec. 14th & 28th
10:30 AM—11:30 AM
Windsor Senior Center**



MOBILE FOODSHARE

**Dec. 7th & 21st
8:45 AM —9:15 AM
130 Deerfield Rd., Old Elk's Lodge**

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**THE WINDSOR SOCIAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT WISH ALL OF YOU A VERY HAPPY AND HEALTHY HOLIDAY SEASON!
HAPPY HANUKKAH! MERRY CHRISTMAS! HAPPY KWANZZAA!**



ENERGY ASSISTANCE UPDATE CRT

CRT is currently taking appointments at all office locations, including LP Wilson, for the 2018-2019 energy season. Call (860) 560-2694 to schedule an appointment. All appointments must be scheduled through the Hartford main office.

Please contact Social Services at 860-285-1839 to discuss eligibility for electric, gas and water assistance through the **Windsor Food & Fuel Bank**.

MEDICARE ANNUAL OPEN ENROLLMENT PERIOD

The Annual Enrollment Period for Medicare Part D and Medicare Advantage Plans continues thru **Dec. 7th**. Caseworkers will be evaluating and comparing plans to see which would be best for you. Please call Maggie Goodman in Social Services at 860-285-1839 to schedule an appointment.

GOT MEDICARE QUESTIONS?

If you are confused about your medical insurance choices, we can help. Call the Social Services office and schedule an appointment with our CHOICES counselor, Maggie Goodman, who can help you to understand which insurance choice will be best suited for your needs. Call 860-285-1839.

DECEMBER SNAP OUTREACH

Supplemental Nutritional Assistance Program. Wednesday, **December 5th** between 1:-4:00 pm and Friday, **December 21st** between 9:-12:00 noon at the LP Wilson Community Center. Call 860-285-1839 for more information or to schedule an appointment.

MONTHLY GROUPS

Windsor C.A.R.E.S.: Meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month at the LP Wilson Community Center, AP1 room. This is a group of adults who are committed to volunteerism. The group takes on community service projects for people of all ages. Next meeting will be held **December 11th** at 1:00 PM. Call Deb for more info. at 860-285-1839.

Diabetic Support Group: Meets the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 11AM at the LP Wilson Community Center, AP1 room. This group is open to all diabetics and their family members. Topics vary by month. The next meeting will be on Tuesday, **December 18th** at 11am. Call Social Services for more information at 860-285-1839.

Fitch Court SHARE Group will meet on Wed., December 12th from 2:-3:00 PM in the Community Room. Call Maggie at 860-285-1839 for information.

FOOD BANK HOURS

Monday & Tuesday 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM
Wednesday & Thursday 1:00 - 3:00 PM
Thursday 5:00 PM - 6:45 PM

Bad Weather alert:

If Windsor schools are closed, then Mobile Foodshare & Groceries To Go are cancelled. Watch for closings on Channel 3 and Channel 30 news.

Meet the Social Services Staff

Anne Wakelin, Human Svc. Director

Sue Raggio, Dept. Coordinator
Maggie Goodman, Caseworker &
Municipal Veteran's Svc. Contact
Susan Nunes, Administrative Aide

Andy Price, Caseworker
Deb Sheldon, Caseworker
Jasmine Hall, Caseworker
Ted Hughes, Food Bank

