



Social Services

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RENTER'S REBATE PROGRAM

State law provides a reimbursement program for Connecticut renters who are elderly or totally disabled, and whose incomes do not exceed certain limits. Persons renting an apartment or room or living in cooperative housing or a mobile home may be eligible for this program. This is not an entitlement program.

Renters' rebates can be up to \$900 for married couples and \$700 for single persons. The renters' rebate amount is based on a graduated income scale and the amount of rent and utility payments (excluding telephone) made in the calendar year prior to the year in which the renter applies.

To be eligible:

- a recipient or spouse must be 65 years of age or older, or
- a recipient must be 50 years of age or older and the surviving spouse of a renter who at the time of renter's death had qualified and was entitled to tax relief provided such spouse was living with the renter at the time of the renter's death, or
- a recipient must be 18 years of age or older and eligible to receive Social Security Disability benefits.
- The renter must further meet a one-year state residency requirement.

Grants are based upon income requirements shown in Connecticut General Statute Section 12-170e.

Windsor Social Services are completing Renters' Rebate applications by telephone appointment. All supporting documents are required prior to making application. Visit our website and link to the Renters Rebate information to view documents needed and further instruction or call the Social Services office. Upon receipt of required documents a caseworker will call you by phone to make application.

SUMMER CAMP SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE TO GRANDPARENTS RAISING GRANDCHILDREN/KIN

Are you a Windsor grandparent over 60 yrs. of age and raising your grandchildren or kin? If you are then we have a great opportunity for you and your family. Your grandchildren/kin may qualify for a week of FREE Summer Camp through the Windsor Recreation Department. For more information and to obtain and application contact Deb Sheldon at Windsor Social Services 860-285-1839. While the kids are in camp you will have the opportunity to relax. Space is limited so don't wait!

The Grandparent Raising Grandchildren/Kin Program is funded in part by the Older Americans Act through the North Central Area Agency on Aging & Windsor Social Services

APRIL IS NATIONAL CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH

This awareness campaign was a wonderful collaboration between the Windsor Youth Service Bureau and Social Services. A proclamation will be given at Town Council declaring April as the Child Abuse Prevention Month in the Town of Windsor. There will be 3 locations around town where a "garden" of blue pinwheels were be planted to show our commitment to the safety of children in Windsor! Pinwheels are the national symbol of child abuse prevention. We will also ask employees to wear blue and send in a photo for a collage. Residents can take a selfie at these three locations and share it on social media.

SOCIAL SERVICES COVID-19 RESOURCE GUIDE

Visit our website at <https://townofwindsorct.com/social-services/> and follow the link in the top of our page for to view this guide for updated important information.



GROCERIES TO GO
April 2nd, 16th & 30th
10:30 AM—11:30 AM
OUTSIDE THE WINDSOR FOOD BANK



MOBILE FOODSHARE
April 7th & 21st
1:30 PM -2:00 PM
Hopewell Baptist Church, 280 Windsor Ave.

Social Services APRIL News

FOODSHARE - FREE FOOD DISTRIBUTIONS

Foodshare is continuing their **FREE** food distribution at Rentschler Field, 615 Silver Lane, East Hartford during the month of April. Distributions will be on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:30am-1pm.

ENERGY ASSISTANCE UPDATE

If you're in need of utility (electric, gas and water) assistance, please call Eliana Medina-James at 860-285-1839 to discuss qualifications.

EVERSOURCE-WINTER PROTECTION

If you find yourself struggling to cover your electric bill during the winter months, we can help by putting you on their winter protection program.

Winter protection protects your account from getting shut off until May 1st. Contact Eliana Medina-James at 860-285-1839 for assistance with this program.

CRT OIL ASSISTANCE UPDATE

CRT is currently scheduling appointments for oil assistance for the winter heating season. Please call 860-560-2694 to schedule your appointment.

To ensure the safety of clients during the pandemic, **CRT is offering clients the option to download and complete an online application** from the Department of Social Services website.

Visit: <https://portal.ct.gov/DSS/Economic-Security/Winter-Heating-Assistance/Energy-Assistance---Winter-Heating/Apply>.

UPDATE FROM CRT

The CRT Energy Assistance Program has extended their deadline for all eligible households to apply to June 15, 2021. Deliverable fuel deliveries have also extended to May 2021.

HOUSEHOLDS CAN APPLY AS FOLLOWS:

- Dial 860-560-2694
- Download the application from the DSS website.
- Dial 211 (Info Line)

Due to COVID-19, the majority of the intake appointments are happening over the phone and via mail.

CT MORTGAGE AND RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

The State of CT is offering a Temporary Mortgage Assistance (T-MAP) program for CT residents impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.

Call 860-785-3111 to speak to a Call Center Representative to determine if you qualify for assistance. For additional information:

TRHAP visit: <https://portal.ct.gov/doh>

T-MAP visit: <https://www.chfa.org>.

Please note: The Temporary Rental Housing Assistance (TRHAP) program is not currently open at this time.

GUIDANCE AND ASSISTANCE REGARDING RENT AND EVICTIONS.

This **FREE** service is available from several nonprofit legal aid organizations in CT. Their information is pooled under one website: www.CTLawHelp.org.

MONTHLY GROUPS

Windsor C.A.R.E.S.: This is a group of adults who are committed to volunteerism. The group takes on community service projects for people of all ages. CARES is not currently holding on site meetings. Please call Deb for more information at 860-285-1839.

Diabetic Support Group: This group is not currently hosting on site meetings. Call Andy Price for more information at 860-285-1839.

WINDSOR HUNGER ACTION TEAM

will meet via zoom on **Wednesday, March 3rd**. Contact Susan Nunes for meeting information at 860-285-1839.

SNAP OUTREACH. For assistance in applying for SNAP benefit, please call Foodshare SNAP outreach at 860-286-9999 Ext. 104.

GRANDPARENT/KIN RAISING GRANDCHILDREN

If you are a grandparent or kin raising children, you may be eligible for financial assistance such as camp, daycare, respite. Call Deb Sheldon for details at 860-285-1839.

Meet the Social Services Staff

Enita Jubrey, Social Services Director

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

Andy Price, Caseworker
Deb Sheldon, Caseworker
Eliana Medina-James, Caseworker
Ted Hughes, Food Bank

