



Social Services DECEMBER 2021

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ARE YOU FACING EVICTION?

REMEMBER-there is no CDC Moratorium

Persons who have received a *notice to quit possession* should contact **Statewide Legal Services of CT (SLS)** at 860-344-0380 or 1-800-453-3320. Advice or referral from SLS is limited to members of households with income below 125% of the federal poverty guidelines.

Persons who receive a *summary process execution for possession* should contact legal representation **RIGHT AWAY!** When someone has received a summary process execution, time is of the essence! Call Greater Hartford Legal Aid directly at **860-541-5000** and tell the receptionist that they have received a summary process execution, and in which town they live.

UNITECT -EMERGENCY MONETARY HELP FOR RENTERS

Are you struggling to pay your rent and utilities **due to Covid-19**? You may qualify for the opportunity to receive -

- Missed gas and electric outstanding payments
- Missed rent or future rent payments.

UniteCT may pay the arrears accrued after March 13, 2020. Unite CT is a CT Dept. of Housing rental assistance program supporting CT residents who earn up to 80% of the HUD Area Median Income and their landlords. For more information about the Unite CT program and how to apply visit: www.bit.ly/UniteCT

Legal resources for CT residents

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

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.

NFPA Public Education Division www.nfpa.org/education

SOCIAL SERVICES COVID-19 RESOURCE GUIDE

Visit <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
Dec. 10th only
10:30 AM—11:30 AM
OUTSIDE THE WINDSOR FOOD BANK



MOBILE FOODSHARE
Dec. 1st, 15th & 29th
1:30 PM - 2:00 PM
Hopewell Baptist Church, 280 Windsor



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



Social Services DECEMBER news

MEDICARE Open Enrollment ANNUAL ELECTION PERIOD

Medicare Open Enrollment runs from October 15th thru December 7th. For information, resources and appropriate referral please call Maggie Goodman at 860-285-1839.

MONTHLY GROUPS:

Windsor CARES and the Diabetic Support Group will NOT be meeting in person due to COVID-19. The Hunger Action Team will be meeting. For information about these groups, call 860-285-1839.

NEW SUPPORT GROUP TEENS THRIVING TODAY

Teens Thriving Today is an all inclusive youth led support group for teens 14-16 yrs. Learn from peers in a supportive environment. Meet people, eat snacks, learn something new and have fun!

Group will be held Mondays—5-6:30 PM at the LP Wilson Community Center, All Purpose One Room. Call Jasmine Hall to sign up. 860-285-1839.

<https://teensthivingtoday.wixsite.com/teensthivingtoday>

PROJECT SANTA PROGRAM

If you registered for the 2021 Project Santa Program, the program distribution will be held on Tuesday, December 14th at Grace Church, 311 Broad Street from 9AM-1PM and from 4PM-7PM. This is the ONLY TIME gifts will be available for pickup. It is requested that children do not accompany you for the pickup.

FOOD BANK HOURS

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

ENERGY ASSISTANCE UPDATE

Connecticut's protection against utility shutoffs has ended, effective September 15, 2021. However there are resources that are available. If you are struggling to pay your electric, water, or other utilities, you can apply for help through Operation Fuel. Call Eliana Medina-James at 860-285-1839 to discuss qualifications and see if you qualify. Or get coded for Hardship or Winter Protection, this protects your service until May 1, 2021. Ask your utility company about payment plans: For heat: CNG: 860-524-8361. For electricity: Eversource: call 860-286-2000. CT Public Utilities Regulatory Authority-1-800-382-4586. Ask for affordable payment plan.

CRT ENERGY ASSISTANCE

CRT is currently scheduling appointments for the fall/winter heating season. If you are having trouble paying your home heating bills, call 860-560-2694 to schedule your appointment.

CONNECTICUT WATER ASSISTANCE

The Connecticut Low Income Water Assistance Program is open. Get help paying your water bills. Households with annual income at or below 60 percent of the state median income can qualify for this one-time water assistance benefit. There is no asset limit. Help is available for both drinking water and waste water bills. Last day to apply is May 31, 2022.

Apply at your local Community Action Agency or online at www.ct.gov/dss/waterassistance

CLOSINGS IN DECEMBER:

Friday, December 24th for the Christmas holiday.
Friday, December 31st for the New Year holiday

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

