



# Social Services OCTOBER 2023

LP Wilson Community Center  
599 Matianuck Avenue  
860-285-1839



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[Town of Windsor Social Services.](https://www.facebook.com/TownofWindsorSocialServices)

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## PROJECT SANTA 2023

### Registration Opens October 1st.

The holidays are near and it is time to think about holiday gifts for your children. Project Santa is available to qualified families with children age 15 and younger.

**If you are a current member** as of July 1st of the food bank, Weekend Wheels or Windsor Food Service free or reduced meal approved (need to provide Windsor Food Service meal approval letter), you automatically qualify. Call 860-285-1839 to register.

**If you are not a member as describe above**, please provide copies of the following supporting documents: photo ID-driver's license, proof of address, proof of last four weeks of income and social security or birth certificate for children 15 and younger.

Deliver your documents to Windsor Social Services:

**By mail to:** 599 Matianuck Avenue, Windsor, CT

**Brought to:** Social Services office drop box. Enter thru left SIDE of the LP Wilson Community Center,

**Emailed to:** [socialservices@townofwindsorct.com](mailto:socialservices@townofwindsorct.com)

**Or Fax to:** 860-285-1908

Documents must be received prior to registration.

More details can be found on our website listed on page front page. Call 860-285-1839 with any questions.

## C.A.R.E.S SOCKTOBER

### NEW WINTER SOCK COLLECTION

Windsor C.A.R.E.S. is collecting NEW winter socks to be distributed this holiday season to those in need. NEW socks can be dropped off at Social Services. Call Deb at 860-285-1839 w/questions.

## OPERATION GRATITUDE FOR TROOPS

Windsor CARES is assisting Tire Rack in Windsor with their holiday card making program for the troops – Operation Gratitude. If you have some holiday cards at home and would like to say thank you and happy holidays to our soldiers serving we are collecting them at the Social Services Department and the Windsor Senior Center. Your letters and cards will be cherished by those on the frontlines. Cards will be collected through November 15<sup>th</sup>. It will be wonderful if we can reach our goal of 500!!!

### ATTENTION FITCH COURT, MILLBROOK VILLAGE & SHAD RUN RESIDENTS

Windsor Social Services will be hosting informational seminars at Fitch Court over the next six months for Windsor Housing Residents. Topics will include energy assistance, mental health and wellness and emergency preparedness.

The first seminar on Energy Assistance will be coming up soon. Event information will be posted soon. No registration required.

### INFORMATIVE SEMINAR ON MEDICARE CHANGES FOR 2024

**medicare** Do you know what plan  
is right for you?

Please join us for a discussion on Medicare and changes to the 2024 Medicare Plans. Guest speaker: John Sheerin from The Senior Source, LLC.

This event will be held on **Tues, Oct. 24th from 10-11:30AM** at the L.P. Wilson Community Center, All Purpose One room. RSVP to Susan Nunes at 860-285-1839.



## GROCERIES TO GO

Oct. 13th & 27th

10:30 AM—11:30 AM

at THE WINDSOR FOOD BANK

## MOBILE FOODSHARE

Oct. 4th & 18th

1:30 PM -2:00 PM

Hopewell Baptist Church, 280 Windsor Ave.

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## 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. The next meeting is October 10th at 1PM. Call Deb Sheldon for meeting information at 860-285-1839.

## WINDSOR HUNGER ACTION TEAM Join The Conversation

This group meets monthly to discuss food insecurity in our local community and solutions to help those in need. The next meeting will be held in person and via zoom on **Wednesday, Oct. 4th at 9:00 am**. Contact Susan Nunes for meeting information at 860-285-1839 and to be added to our new HAT email distribution list.

**AND** The Windsor Hunger Action Team has a Facebook page! **Stay Connected:** Like and Follow on Facebook for updates and resources throughout the month, <https://www.facebook.com/WindsorHAT/>.

## LEAN ON ME

### **A Caseworker Appointment Program**

The new caseworker appointment program, LEAN ON ME meets the first Tuesday afternoon of each month at the Windsor Main Library.

Schedule your appointment with Windsor Social Services' friendly and knowledgeable caseworkers to learn about programs you may qualify for. If you have questions about energy assistance, food assistance, Medicare, or more - our caring staff can assist you. **The August LEAN ON ME program will be held on Tuesday, Sept. 5th.** Call 860-285-1839 to schedule an appointment between 1-3PM.

The staff is also available at our main office at the LP Wilson Community Center for scheduled appointments.

## **FOOD BANK HOURS**

Monday & Tuesday 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM  
Wednesday & Thursday 1:00 - 3:00 PM  
4th Thursday of ea. Month 5-6:45PM

## ENERGY ASSISTANCE UPDATE

The Connecticut Public Utilities Regulatory Authority has pushed back the utility shutoff moratorium for gas and electric utilities until Oct 31, 2023.

Please call Eliana at 860-285-1839 to see if you qualify for hardship.

The Community Renewal Team (CRT) energy assistance program is now taking appointments for the 2022/2023 heating season.

**NEW UPDATE:** CRT is now scheduling appointments in Windsor! Please call the hotline at 860-560-2694 and request an appointment in Windsor.

## OPERATION FUEL UPDATE

Operation Fuel provides year-round utility and energy cost financial assistance. Please call Eliana Medina-James at 860-285-1839 to see if you qualify for assistance.

## WINDSOR FOOD BANK IN NEED OF DONATIONS

The Windsor Food Bank receives many donations throughout the year from the local community. There is much generosity in our town-especially around the holiday seasons and we send out thanks to everyone who has donated.

**We are currently in great need of the following items:**

**baking mixes like muffins and breads**

- Cereal and pancake mixes
- Coffee (ground) and tea
- Pasta
- Condiments—ketchup, mustard & mayo

Please help us help our neighbors in need by donating some of the above items. Please bring your donations to the Windsor Food Bank at the LP Wilson Community Center or call 860-285-1839.

## REMINDER:

*The Social Services Department has moved to our new location on the LEFT SIDE of the LP Wilson Community Center.*

## **Meet the Social Services Staff**

**Enita Jubrey, Social Services Director**  
**Maggie Goodman, Caseworker & Municipal Veteran's Svc. Contact**  
**Susan Nunes, Administrative Assistant**  
**Janine Griffith, Administrative Aide**

**Jasmine Hall, Dept. Coordinator**  
**Andy Price, Caseworker**  
**Deb Sheldon, Caseworker**  
**Eliana Medina-James, Caseworker**  
**Ted Hughes, Food Bank**