

Social Services MARCH 2020

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SOCIAL SERVICES CASEWORKER AT THE LIBRARY - CHANGE OF TIME

Maggie Goodman, Social Services caseworker, is now available Tuesdays at from 10 AM-12 noon on the lower level of the Windsor Public Library main branch. Maggie is happy to answer questions, provide information and give resources to people in need of assistance.

CHILDHOOD CONVERSATIONS hosts their 14th Annual Conference Explore the Landscape of Equality and Bias through the Lens of Social Emotional-Learning

If you are interested in helping children and families succeed then this is the place to be. Everyone is welcome! The day includes breakfast, lunch and a variety of workshops aimed at helping children navigate through life.

This event will be held at the Windsor Hartford Marriott on Friday, April 3rd from 8am – 4pm. Details can be found on the at

www.childhoodconversations.com or contact Debbie Sheldon at 860-285-1839 Windsor Social Services. Scholarships are available.

CLIENT CHOICE Is now at the Windsor Food Bank

The food bank is now offering client choice. Volunteers will lead clients thru the food bank to assist them in making their own selections.

For safety reasons, no open toed shoes will be allowed. If you are wearing open toed shoes, volunteers will be happy to fill your order for you.

Client choice will end 15 minutes before closing time. At that time, volunteers will fill your orders for you.

VOLUNTEER INCOME TAX ASSISTANCE

The VITA program provides free tax preparation services to individuals and families with a total household income at or below \$56,000 in 2019. Volunteers are trained to help taxpayers prepare and file their taxes at the VITA sited in Connecticut. Visit www.211ct.org/taxhelp for information and to schedule an appointment.

Also on this website cover page there is a link to find AARP free tax preparation sites for individuals who are not eligible for the free VITA program. Windsor Senior Center is an AARP free tax preparation site.

THE IMPORTANCE OF THE 2020 CENSUS –BE COUNTED!!!

The census determines the number of representatives a state has and how \$10.7 billion dollars are annually spent in Connecticut. There is no citizenship question on the survey this year and no personal data is shared with any department or government agency.

In March everyone will be getting a letter to go on line or over the phone to complete the survey. Fliers and websites are offered in 12 different languages. A week later, a reminder letter will be sent out. At the end of March if someone has not completed the survey, they will get another reminder. If a person still has not responded by early April, you will get the questionnaire survey in the mail.

If after the above, someone still has not responded to the survey, a census worker will come to your door. They will have proper ID and will keep on coming back until you complete the survey for them. The government has hired 8,000 temporary workers for this project.

April 1st is the reference day for reporting. BE COUNTED! COMPLETE YOUR CENSUS!



GROCERIES TO GO

March 6th & 20th 10:30 AM—11:30 AM Windsor Senior Center



MOBILE FOODSHARE

March 11th & 25th
1:30 PM -2:00 PM
Hopewell Baptist Church, 280 Windsor Ave.
Text FOODSHARE to 85511 for other sites.

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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.

ENERGY ASSISTANCE UPDATE

CRT is still taking appointments for the 2019-2020 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 utility assistance.

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.

MARCH SNAP OUTREACH

Supplemental Nutritional Assistance Program. Wednesday, March 4th between 1:00 - 4:00 pm and Friday, March 20th between 9:00 am - noon at the LP Wilson Community Center. Call 860-285-1839 for more information or to schedule an appointment.

WINDSOR HUNGER ACTION TEAM

Windsor HAT meets the 1st Wednesday of each month at 9 AM in the Ludlow room, lower level at the Windsor Town Hall. Join us as we work together to identify issues and to find solutions to help to eliminate hunger in our local community. Next meeting will be **Wednesday, March 4th**. Contact Susan Nunes for information at 860-285-1839.

Food Bank Hours

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

VETERANS COFFEE HOUR

Meets the 4th Thursday of each month, 8:30 AM at the Windsor Senior Center, Senior Center Café Lounge, LP Wilson Community Center.

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 **March 10th** 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. The next meeting will be on Tuesday, **March 17th** at 11am. Call for more information at 860-285-1839.

VETERAN'S COUNSELING

The Hartford Vet Center Windsor location is open every other Friday at LP Wilson from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm. Appointments scheduled between 9am-3pm. CALL **860-563-8800** TO SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT.

WIC IN WINDSOR

WIC- Women, Infants, Children—is a supplemental nutrition program providing education and foods to young women and children. WIC meets at the LP Wilson Community Center on the first Tuesday of each month. Appointments are taken between 10:00 am and 1:00 pm. Call 860-757-4860 to schedule an appointment.

Notary Public in Social Services

Available by Appointment.

Call Susan Nunes 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