



July 2024

Washington County Department of Human Services

Washington County DHS Town Hall

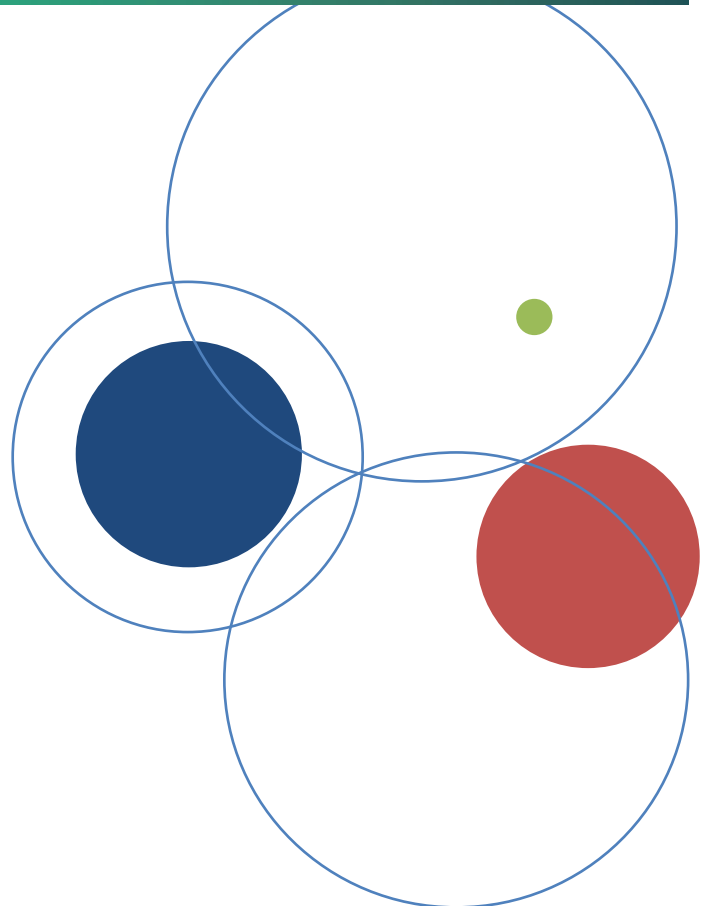
July 10th at 3:00pm

95 W Beau St.
Suite 300 --Conference Room #4
Washington, PA 15301

Can't join us in person? Join us by Microsoft Teams

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Arc Human Services

Save the Date!

Connecting Through Inspiration Arts Festival

August 17th 12pm to 6pm
111 W. Pike St. Canonsburg PA

If you or someone you know wants to be a vendor go to www.ArcHumanServices.org/art-festival

Presenting Sponsor:



Host Sponsor:



MISSION POSSIBLE IX 5K RACE / 1 MILE FUN WALK

Saturday, August 3 2024
Peterswood Park—8:00 AM Start

Pre-Registration: missionpossiblerun.org

Day-Of Registration: Peterswood Park

\$25 registration cost includes your event T-Shirt

For Sponsorship information contact: Eric Smith
(724) 222-8530 ext. 284 or esmith@citymission.org

All proceeds benefit the City Mission's
Crabtree Kovacicek Veterans House



UPCOMING EVENTS

Washington County Department of Human Services will be attending...

July 6
FREDERICKTOWN RIVERFEST
2PM-8PM
Fredericktown Area Chamber of Commerce

July 10
AMERIHEALTH RESOURCE FAIR
1PM-6PM
Charleroi PA

July 12
CARELON TAAG REGIONAL PICNIC
11AM-1PM
Mingo Creek Park

July 12
MONONGAHELA FARMERS MAKET
3PM-6PM
Chess Park

July 13
MARKET IN THE PARK
9AM-1PM
Washington Park



American Foundation for Suicide Prevention



WALK WITH US

TO PREVENT SUICIDE

REGISTER TODAY

Washington County Out of the Darkness Walk

September 28, 2024

Main Street Pavilion, 139 S. Main Street, Washington, PA
For more information, email rebecca.salsbury@co.washington.pa.us

Register at afsp.org/WASHINGTONPA



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OUT OF THE DARKNESS Community Walks

What's the Buzz at the Department of Human Services



The Washington County Department of Human Services participated in several opportunities in June. Representatives from the Department of Human Services participated in EmployHer Pittsburgh – Washington County on June 25, through a tabling opportunity and being success partners (success partners provide initial and ongoing support to participants by helping them navigate the event and ensure they connect with all the needed resources). Heather Redd, Brianne Spurlock, and Rebecca Salsbury served as Success Partners for the event.



Behavioral Health and Developmental Services attended Midway Summer Outreach event on June 22nd. Lisa Milan represented BHDS/HS by providing information on resources within Washington County.



Aging Services celebrated the PA Empowerment Expert Residents in the Newly Trained PEER Ceremony on June 25th at The Grove at Washington. An enjoyable day was had by all to witness the glowing and passionate hearts that call Washington County home.

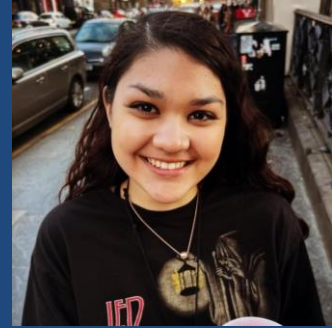


The Washington County Department of Human Services welcomed residents from Washington Health System Family Residency program on June 28th. Residents were able to learn about Human Services from Dr. John Tamiggi, Tiffany Milovac, and the directors of each agency.

Summer Employee Spotlights

Khristina Morris, Human Services Summer Employee

Khristina is currently attending Slippery Rock University where she is majoring in French and Culture Studies and minoring in Global Education. She decided to come to WCDHS because she heard about the large Haitian population in Charleroi and thought it would be a great way to give back to the community. Khristina expressed that the best thing about working at DHS is going to do outreach with Abby Gerlach and Nicole Masur. Khristina enjoys writing, reading, and traveling. She is currently planning a trip to France in August.



Erin Callahan-Cardin, Human Services Summer Employee

Erin is currently attending Westminster College where she is majoring in Political Science and minoring in International Studies. She decided to come to WCDHS because she wanted to branch out and figure out what to do after she graduates. She expressed that most students who major in Political science go straight to law school upon graduating with their undergraduate degree. Erin mentioned that by coming to WCDHS this could give her a foot in the door after she graduates, so she does not have to go to law school right away. Erin expressed that the best thing about working at DHS is meeting new people when she covers the front desk. She also mentioned that she enjoys seeing all the work that is done behind the scenes to help people. Erin enjoys playing video games, building Legos and drawing.



Samantha Saylor, CYS Summer Employee

Samantha is currently attending Edinboro University where she is majoring in Early Childhood Education. She decided to come to CYS because her mom works here. Samantha expressed that the best thing about working for CYS is the friendly work environment. Samantha enjoys playing soccer and spending time with her friends.





Olivia Haight, CYS Summer Employee

Olivia is currently a senior in high school but would like to attend Slippery Rock University upon graduation and major in History. She decided to come to CYS because her mom works here, and she knew many other people that work for CYS as well. Olivia mentioned that the best thing about working for CYS is that everyone is focused on wellness. She expressed that she enjoys the food trucks and the sales for the B-Hive. Olivia is in the Color guard at her school and enjoys listening to music.

Not Pictured

Olivia Gorby, Aging Services Summer Employee

Olivia is currently attending West Liberty University where she is majoring in Art Therapy. She decided to come to Aging Services because it aligns well with what she would like to do with her career in the future. Olivia mentioned that the best thing about working for Aging Services is the calm work environment and the paycheck. Olivia enjoys knitting and crocheting.



Ava Bowman, Aging Services Summer Employee

Ava is currently a senior at Trinity High School. Following graduation, she plans on attending a university with a focus in the medical field. Ava decided to come to Aging Services because she works at Strabane Trails, so she is familiar with food service and the elderly community. She mentioned that her mom Bethany Bowman informed her about the opportunity here with Aging Services. Ava expressed that the best thing about working for Aging Services is having the opportunity to directly impact the lives of seniors. She expressed that through delivering meals, she is able to provide essential nutrition while also offering companionship, a sign of humanity, and a glimpse of hope. Ava enjoys playing the flute, lacrosse, tennis, swimming, and driving her convertible Volkswagen Beetle.

Chartiers Center Outpatient Clinic

Guest Columnist: Chartiers Center

Welcome to Chartiers Center Washington County Outpatient!!!!

We expanded into the county on June 1, 2023, and just hit our one year anniversary here. The experience and support in Washington County have been exceptional and we are honored to be a part of the community.

At Chartiers Center, we provide individual outpatient therapy through master's level dual trained clinicians and medication assessment/management with Certified Registered Nurse Practitioners, all overseen by our Medical Director. We offer group therapy on various topics, conducted by different therapists so clients can participate in a variety of activities and at the same time, get the full scope of who each of us is and the team that we have created. From the first contact through completion of services, one of our goals is to ensure we provide great client care in a safe, caring, welcoming environment for all that walk through our doors.

We currently serve approximately 300 individuals in the area. Our clients range in age from 4 to 70 years old and come to us with diverse needs. We look forward to continuing our work in Washington County. If you are in the area, feel free to stop in and meet our team!

The Johnson-Shaw Foundation

Guest Columnist: Shakira Johnson

The Johnson-Shaw Foundation became a nonprofit organization in 2022 and started to take clients in April 2023. Based upon personal experience of our cofounder, Jeffrey, we saw the need for services and resources for people that face barriers coming out of incarceration.

We help reentrants coming home to Washington, Westmoreland, Fayette and Greene counties with utility assistance, work clothing, shoes and boots, tools, and furniture donations. We have weekly PIRC meetings for reentrants and their supporters.

We are getting ready to induct our first cohort into our new Reentry Bridge to Success: Construction and Building Trades Apprenticeship Readiness Program. This program will empower socioeconomically disadvantaged people to transform their lives and positively impact their communities. We offer the opportunity to become a skilled craftsman through one of the 17 construction and building trade unions.



THE JOHNSON-SHAW FOUNDATION PRESENTS:



REENTRY BRIDGE TO SUCCESS:

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REGISTER AT YOUR LOCAL CAREERLINK IN WASHINGTON, GREENE, WESTMORELAND, FAYETTE, AND BEAVER COUNTIES. COHORT STARTING MAY 2024



OUR SERVICES

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- Field trips to each trades training site for hands on learning.
- Skilled instruction to prepare students for testing and interviews.
- \$40 per day stipend
- Industry approved certifications

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