

FEBRUARY 2024

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE WILMINGTON HOUSING AUTHORITY'S MONTHLY UPDATES



WHA NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR MADISON GARDENS & PARK VIEW APARTMENTS

WHA is now accepting applications for our Madison Gardens (West 4th Street & North Madison Street, Wilmington, DE 19801) and Park View Apartment Building (1800 N. Broom Street, Wilmington, DE 19802). Individuals for our Park View Apartment Building must be 62 or older.

THE WILMINGTON HOUSING AUTHORITY OFFERS AUTOMATED MESSAGING TO RESIDENTS

The Wilmington Housing Authority now provides automated text messages and phone calls to residents. These automated messages allow residents to receive updates, notices, and other resources in real time.

INGLESIDE HOMES HAS IMMEDIATE OPENINGS

Ingleside Homes Retirement Apartments has immediate openings for studio and 1-bedroom apartments. Residents must be 62 years old or older. Monthly rent is 30% of monthly income and pays for all services at Ingleside, which includes:

- Three (3) meals daily
- Weekly housekeeping and maintenance
- 24-hour Security
- Life Alert Pendant
- All Utilities
- Social & Recreational Programs
- Social Services

For more information, contact Renata Maslowski at (302) 575-0250 ext. 2245.

CELEBRATING SUCCESS: YOUTHBUILD STUDENTS EXCEL IN 5-WEEK NCCER COURSE

Wilmington Housing Authority (WHA) is thrilled to extend congratulations to the dedicated participants of the YouthBuild Program who have successfully completed their 5-week NCCER (National Center for Construction Education and Research) course. This achievement is a testament to their hard work, resilience, and commitment to building a brighter future.

NCCER is a nationally recognized certification that equips individuals with essential skills for a rewarding career in the construction industry. Through hands-on training and comprehensive coursework, students gain valuable knowledge in various construction trades, setting a solid foundation for a successful career path.

Completing the NCCER course opens doors to a wide array of opportunities in the construction sector. Whether it's carpentry, plumbing, electrical work, or other specialized trades, the skills acquired during this program lay the groundwork for a fulfilling and prosperous career.

WHA also extend gratitude to the instructors, mentors, and everyone involved in the YouthBuild Program for their unwavering support. Together, the WHA YouthBuild Program has created an environment that fosters learning, growth, and success.

Congratulations once again to the YouthBuild participants who have completed their NCCER course. We're proud of your achievements and we look forward to witnessing your continued success in the program and beyond.

For more information on partnering with YouthBuild Program, call 302-429-6701 to discuss the benefits of partnering.



Pictured Above: WHA YouthBuild Program participants with NCCER completion certificates.

WHA WELLNESS CHECKER PROGRAM UPDATE

Wilmington Housing Authority (WHA) and the City of Wilmington partnered in 2023 to provide the free Wellness Checker Program for senior and disabled WHA residents of Baynard, Crestview, Compton, Herlihy and Parkview. The program is being supervised by Alicia Armstrong, Wellness Checker Program Volunteer, and managed by Darniece Hampton, WHA Resident Services Service Coordinator. The Wellness Checker Program was initiated to provide companion style daily scheduled calls to check on the well-being of residents living alone in the five high-rise apartment buildings.

Currently, there are 72 participants in the program. WHA Resident Services Chief, Irmina E. Brown-Williams, stated that the residents love the calls. The six volunteer checkers have enjoyed this opportunity to connect and bond with their neighbors. One such volunteer checker, Ms. Faust-Johnson, stated she gets the benefits from both sides because she is also called each day by another volunteer. She stated, "it is neat to have someone call, and I feel good about what she is doing."

Volunteer checkers use tablets provided by WHA to make the calls. Using tablets also allows the checkers to send emails and text messages when necessary. One participant of the program, Ms. Thomas, who receives a call daily, appreciates the program and looks forward to it continuing. She stated that daily contact is especially welcome due to limited outside activities and they will call family members if she cannot be reached.

Due to the success of the program, WHA Information Technology Team has secured smart watches for program participants to further support Wellness Checker Program initiatives. This new initiative will be launched later this year. The WHA looks forward to the continued success of the program.

For more information on Wellness Checker Program, call 302-761-9460 ext. 101.



Pictured Above: Wellness Checker Volunteer Callers



Pictured Above: Reba Thomas, Wellness Checker Participant



Pictured Above: Wellness Checker Callers, WHA Resident Services Team & WHA Security



RESPIRE VOUCHER PROGRAM

Easter Seals has respite grants available to allow caretakers to take a break. This grant program is available for those caring for aging parents, raising grandkids and seniors taking care of individuals with a disability.

Through this respite program, caregivers are provided a voucher to pay for the care of a loved one while they take a break. Breaks can be for a variety of reasons, such as, but not limited to a day out with a friend, dinner with family or just relaxing outside their own home enjoying a hobby. These times of respite are seen as an opportunity to keep caregivers emotionally and physically healthy.

For information on applying for the grant, call 302-221-2087 or email resources@esdel.org.

YOUTHBUILD FROM A PARTICIPANT'S PERSPECTIVE: SAIHAAN TURNER'S EXPERIENCE

Saihaan Turner joined YouthBuild in August 2023 after a referral from his father and YouthBuild driver, Tamir Collins. His initial goal was to earn his GED, gain job readiness skills, obtain certifications, and secure job placement. Saihaan sees YouthBuild as a program that "provides resources and a place for multiple chances." Since enrolling in the program, he has had the opportunity to build on his construction skills, become forklift certified, and gain paid work experience through YouthBuild's construction partners. Most recently, he completed the NCCER training program provided by Delaware Technical Community College.

Throughout his time with YouthBuild "Saihaan has grown in discipline, consistency, and self-confidence," according to YouthBuild Sr. Case Manager, Damon Hopkins. His next steps include obtaining his GED and participating in classes at Westend Neighborhood House. Saihaan's advice to other participants is to "stick with the program and trust the process." He believes that YouthBuild can help individuals realize their potential and encourages others to take advantage of every opportunity available.

For more information about the WHA YouthBuild Program, call 302-429-6701.



Pictured Above: Saihaan Turner with a gaming desk he built with his NCCER team.



YOUTHBUILD CNA COHORT

Congratulations to three YouthBuild Participants; Brennaye Brown, Gia Jackson and Resonance Pace that were accepted to and have begun their Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) Certificate Program at Delaware Technical Community College. The course 137-hour hybrid course will take place from January through March. Successful completion of the course will qualify the participants to take the Delaware Nurse Aid Competency Exam for certification.

For more information about the WHA YouthBuild Program, please call 302-429-6701.

WHA ACHIEVES OVER 95 PHOR SCORE

Congratulations to WHA's Low Income Public Housing team in their achievement of over 95% on their Public Housing Occupancy Rate (OR) score!

With achievement of a 97.4% WHA will receive 100 of its operations subsidies provided through Department of Housing and Urban Development.





SUCCESSFUL HOUSING PLACEMENT

In January 2024, the Premier Rapid Housing Placement Team successfully placed five families in safe, sanitary, and decent homes, despite the limited availability of affordable housing in the rental market. The Wilmington Housing Authority (WHA) housing voucher program generated all referrals except for one, which came from the Dover Housing Authority. The team's Housing Locators were able to complete the first placement in Kent County.

The Delaware Affordable Housing Group (DAHG) Premier Rapid Housing Placement Team aims to provide housing placement assistance to individuals and families in the City of Wilmington. They offer various services, including case management, barrier assistance, and rental navigation services.

The team has established partnerships with landlords to help clients find appropriate matches for vacant affordable homes. These partnerships benefit landlords by helping them recruit tenants to fill their vacancies, as well as providing property inspections to ensure units comply with local safety codes and secure payments through a portal to receive monthly rental payments from tenants.

If you are interested in being a client or a landlord partner, call 302-579-2925.

EARNED INCOME TAX CREDIT (EITC)

The EITC is a refundable Federal income tax credit for low- and moderate-income working individuals and families. Many families, claiming the EITC results up to a 40% increase in their annual income. File tax returns even if taxes are not owed or earn enough to have taxes withheld from paychecks. Don't be one of the five that misses this credit.

Visit www.Nehemiahgateway.org for free tax preparation drop-off locations and appointments.



FREE TAX PREPARATION AND VOLUNTEER TRAINING

Nehemiah Gateway of Wilmington offers free tax prep to households with income of \$64,000.00 or less, through three options, virtual, drop-off or in-person statewide. Tax prep services will be available Monday, January 29 to Tuesday, April 16, 2024. There are five drop-off locations in New Castle County:

- Goodwill Wilmington
- Hudson State Service Center
- Woodlawn Library
- Rt. 9 Library and Innovation Center
- University of Delaware

All drop-offs are by appointment only through April 16, 2024. In addition to Nehemiah Gateway offering free tax prep, they also offer free training to become a volunteer tax preparer.

Visit www.Nehemiahgateway.org for more information on drop-off locations, appointments, and tax prep volunteer details.

ONE-STOP SHOP ENVISION CENTER WORKSHOPS

The WHA One Stop Shop's (OSS) Envision Center's overall mission is to serve as the catalyst for change for the achievement of "self-sufficiency" for all WHA residents as well as individuals living in the City of Wilmington. Below are some dates for the upcoming workshops. For more information and updates on additional presentations call 302-761-9460, ext. 101.

DATE	TIME	LOCATION	CONTACT PERSON	PRESENTER
03/01/2024	1:30 PM	BAYNARD APARTMENTS 309 W. 18th Street Wilmington, DE 19802	Steve Gonzer	Delaware Counseling of Gambling
03/01/2024	2:30 PM	BAYNARD APARTMENTS 309 W. 18th Street Wilmington, DE 19802	Denise Garcia	Trinity Health
03/08/2024	2:30 PM	CRESTVIEW APARTMENTS 2700 N. Market Street Wilmington, DE 19802	Denise Garcia	Trinity Health
03/15/2024	2:30 PM	COMPTON APARTMENTS 325 E. 5TH Street Wilmington, DE 19801	Thalita Gladen	Trinity Health
03/22/2024	1:30 PM	HERLIHY 320 E. 5th Street Wilmington, DE 19801	Steve Gonzer	Delaware Counseling of Gambling
03/22/2024	2:30 PM	HERLIHY 320 E. 5th Street Wilmington, DE 19801	Thalita Gladen	Trinity Health



ONE-STOP SHOP ENVISION CENTER HOMEBUYER'S WORKSHOPS

The WHA One Stop Shop's (OSS) EnVision Center is hosting a Homebuyer's Workshop on March 14, 2024, and April 11, 2024, at 2:00 PM. The Homebuyer's Workshop is offered virtually every second Thursday of the month. For more information or to register, call the WHA One Stop Shop at 302-761-9460 X101.

EXPANDED HOMEOWNERSHIP PROGRAMS

Delaware State Housing Authority (DSHA) has expanded Homeownership Programs for First-Time and Repeat Homebuyers. This assistance comes in the form of down payment help, closing cost help and Federal Tax Credits.

Welcome Home is the program for first time homebuyers (not in the past three years) and *Home Again* has been established for repeat and first-time home buyers.



In addition to the *Welcome Home* and *Home Again* programs DSHA has programs for down payments and closing cost assistance. Those programs are:

- First State Home Loan
- Home Sweet Home
- Delaware Diamonds

Once funding is exhausted, the program will come to an end for Home Sweet Home and Delaware Diamonds. Visit <https://kissyourlandlordgoodbye.com/> or call 1-888-363-8808 for more information on DSHA homeownership programs.

WHA PARTICIPATES IN HOUSING TASK FORCE

Wilmington Housing Authority is committed to its mission of developing, providing, and managing safe, and affordable housing for low-income families. One way of moving forward our mission, Executive Director, Ray Fitzgerald and Section 8 Chief, Ronnette Anderson, are members of Centralized Wait List for Delaware Task Force in partnership with United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and other Delaware Housing Authorities.

The taskforce met February 6, 2024, to advance planning and develop next steps for this initiative. Based on the strides made during this meeting, HUD congratulated all for their progress in moving this project forward.



Pictured Above: Ronnette Anderson, second from right front row along with Centralized Waiting List Task Force members.



KINGSWOOD COMMUNITY CENTER OFFERS FOOD ASSISTANCE

Kingswood Community Center (KCC) located at 2300 Bowers Street, in Wilmington offers free food assistance through two sources. The first being their community refrigerator that has both fresh produce and shelf stable items to select from 24/7.

Secondly, KCC offers a drive-up style food distribution monthly at their location. The next distribution will be February 22, 2024, and March 28, 2024, at 11:00 AM.

For more information on these programs, visit <https://kgwcc.org/community-services/>.

PLENTY PANTRY PROVIDES ASSISTANCE

The Plenty Pantry located in The Warehouse at 1121 Thatcher Street in Wilmington offers free food assistance to Riverside residents at no cost. The pantry includes both fresh and shelf-stable foods and household items every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM.

The Warehouse also offers 24/7 access to a community refrigerator offering both fresh produce and shelf stable items.

For more information on these programs, visit <https://teenwarehouse.org/>.

SUNDAY BREAKFAST MISSION FOOD BOXES

Sunday Breakfast Mission of Wilmington is offering food assistance in the form of food boxes February 24 and March 9 and 23, 2024. Call 877-306-4663 today for an appointment.



FDIC OFFERS REASONS TO “GET BANKED”

Opening a bank account can be one of the most important steps towards reaching financial goals. Three reasons to have at least one bank account are:

- **Security** - Protect your funds in the case of an error or unauthorized transaction.
- **Convenience** - Reach your financial goals and take control of your finances.
- **Tax Refunds** - Safest and quickest way to receive your money is by choosing direct deposit when you file electronically.



To learn more about the key reasons to get banked visit <https://www.fdic.gov/getbanked/pdf/top-reasons-to-open-a-bank-account.pdf>

WIC RESOURCE GROUP



Food Bank of Delaware (FBD) offers free virtual group for USDA’s Women Infant and Children (WIC) eligible families to learn more about WIC resources, parenting topics, and nutrition education. Classes are hosted by FBD WIC nutritionists on Wednesdays, 10:00 AM.

To register for the group, visit <https://www.fbd.org/wic-group/>. For more information contact Alisha Beckford at 302-292-1305 X268 or Chong Yi at 302-424-3301 ext. 118.

WESTSIDE FAMILY HEALTHCARE WALK-IN VACCINE CLINIC

Westside Family Healthcare (WFHC) walk-in vaccine clinic has flu and COVID-19 vaccines available for patients and non-patients. Individuals 5 years and older for COVID-19 Vaccines and 6 months and older for flu vaccines. No appointment necessary. Wilmington area locations and hours for vaccines:

- Newark - Wednesdays 8:30 AM to 11:30 AM
- Bear - Wednesdays 2:00 PM to 6:00 PM
- Northeast Wilmington - Thursdays 8:30 AM to 11:30 AM
- Wilmington - Thursdays 3:00 PM to 8:00 PM

Visit <https://www.westsidehealth.org/covidvaccines> or call 302-613-5495, for more information.



BLOOD DONATION VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

There is currently a blood donation shortage. Take time to schedule an appointment to donate blood and save a life. You can also be a host for a blood drive to enable easier access to the donation site for many others. For more information on hosting a blood drive, call 1-888-825-6638 or fill out host inquiry form at <https://www.delmarvablood.org/host-a-blood-drive/>.

Visit <https://donate.bbd.org/donor/schedules/zip> for more information and to identify a location mobile or center near you to donate.



DELAWARE MINI MEDICAL SCHOOL – SOUTH

Delaware Mini Medical School - South is a program of the Delaware Academy of Medicine / Delaware Public Health Association and Sussex County Health Coalition. Free six-week session for middle school, high school, and college students (parents are also welcome) to virtually learn about opportunities in the medical field. Topics covered include, but are not limited to, Neuro Rehabilitation, Orthopedics, Psychology, Dentistry, Genetic Counseling. No tests or grades. No previous medical training is required.

Participants who attend all six sessions of the series receive a Certificate of Achievement and become members of the Delaware Mini Medical School Academy. Students unable to attend all six sessions, a self-signed certificate will be made available.

For more information and to register, visit <https://delawareminimed.org/>.

FREE NARCAN ACCESS TRAINING

Delaware Health & Social Services, Division of Substance Abuse and Mental Health (DSAMH) offers free statewide Narcan (Naloxone) medicine. Narcan is a medication that is effective in reversing the effects of an opioid overdose in an individual.



LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- How to recognize and effectively respond to an opioid overdose
- What is Naloxone, how to store & to administer, relevant laws, and legislation around Naloxone, including the statewide standing order

Training sessions are offered for both individuals training for the first time and POD (Point of Distribution). Upon completion of training, participants are eligible to receive a FREE Opioid Rescue Kit.

For information, contact DSAMH Naloxone Support Team at Narcan.Train@delaware.gov or (302) 255-2777.

YOUTHBUILD PROGRAM IS ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS UNTIL FEBRUARY 29, 2024

The Wilmington Housing Authority (WHA) is accepting applications for the YouthBuild Program until February 29, 2024. The YouthBuild Program focuses on education, occupational skills training, leadership development, and high-quality post-program placement.

During this 3-to-6-month program, participants will work to obtain their GED, receive workforce training and credentials, and obtain hands-on experience in the fields of construction, information technology, green building, and more. Participants will also receive case management services and job placement support, with the goal of matching each participant with long-term employment opportunities.

For more information or to apply for the YouthBuild Program, visit <https://whadelaware.org/about-wha/employment-opportunities-and-training-programs/youthbuild>.



FREE GED OPPORTUNITY

Delaware Department of Labor offers a GED program that is no cost to the client with an opportunity to obtain a \$500.00 bonus. You have a year from the enrollment date to complete the GED or high school diploma course work.

Visit tinyurl.com/GEDDE or call 302-761-8085 for a full list of eligibility requirements and to enroll.

PROJECT NEW START COHORT BEGINS IN APRIL

Project New Start, of Wilmington, is recruiting for their new cohort for April to June 2024. This programming is designed to guide justice-involved individuals with their transition to a successful self-sustaining future. This program assists men and women in developing positive behaviors and marketable employment skills as well as obtaining and maintaining employment.

Participants attend 10 weeks of classroom instruction Monday through Friday, 8:30 AM - 3:00 PM followed by individualized job search assistance. All graduates are provided case management as long as needed.

The sample curriculum includes, but is not limited to, Technology Training, Financial Literacy Education, Forklift Operator, Flagger, OSHA, ServSafe, Parenting Certifications, and Resume & Interview Preparation. For more information and to apply call 302-478-2806 or email nwatson@project-new-start.org. Program participants must provide proof of COVID-19 vaccination.





ZIP CODE WILMINGTON IS RECRUITING FOR HIGH SCHOOL & ADULT PROGRAMMING

ZipCode Wilmington provides the training both in computer and soft skills needed to begin or advance a career in software developer or data engineer field. Applications are being accepted for their next cohort that will be in session from June 24, 2024 - September 13, 2024. Financial support is available for students in need. For more information and to apply, visit <https://zipcodewilmington.com/apply/>.

ZipCode Wilmington also offers Blue Note Certification for Delaware high school students as an alternative option to complete their computer science pathway requirements. For more information on this program opportunity visit <https://zipcodewilmington.com/>.

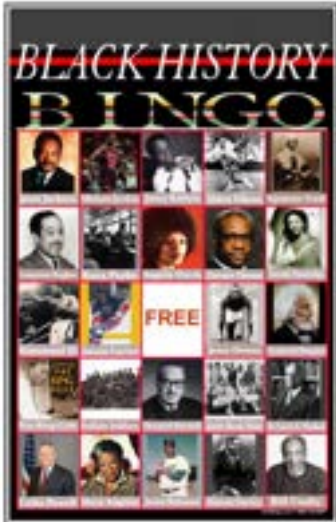
DAWN CAREER INSTITUTE OFFERS DIPLOMA PROGRAMS & SHORT-TERM CERTIFICATIONS

Dawn Career Institute (DCI), located in Newark, offers six diploma programs and two short-term certification programs for a new career. DCI offers both campus-based and online learning in a variety of healthcare, trades, and wellness fields. Medical Assisting is offered online. The following programs are as On-Campus Programs:

- Advanced Class A CDL Driving
- Advanced Esthetician
- Class A CDL Preparatory
- Class B CDL Preparatory
- Dental Assistant
- HVAC Technician
- Medical Assisting
- Nursing Assistant
- Practical Nurse



For information on programs, tuition, scheduling a visit and to apply, visit <https://www.dawncareerinstitute.edu> or call 302-273-3560.



BLACK HISTORY MONTH SATURDAY

Urban Artist Exchange is hosting Black History Month family event on Saturday, February 24, 2024, at 1509 Clifford Brown Walk from 12:00 PM to 3:00 PM. The event will include black history stories, drumming, crafts, music, and vendors. For vendor opportunity and other information, email aprilsonshine@gmail.com.

DELAWARE BLACK HISTORY BINGO

YWCA Delaware is hosting Delaware Black History Bingo on February 23, 2024, from 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM virtually. Prizes will include gift certificates to black-owned businesses, books and t-shirts.

Visit <https://www.ywcade.org/events> to register.

RAISING KINGS BHIM SUMMIT

Raising Kings BHIM (Black History in Making) Summit 2024 is being hosted on February 29, 2024, at Police Athletic League of Wilmington on Market Street from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM. Boys from the age of 9 and up are welcome to attend. Additionally, public schools, charter schools, home schools, members of organizations, educators and mentors are also welcome. The Summit will honor modern day history makers from the local community.

For registration, visit <https://www.eventbrite.com/o/one-village-alliance-3334144776>.



WHA PARTNERS WITH DSAAPD TO PROVIDE SUPPORT TO RESIDENTS

The Wilmington Housing Authority partners with the Division of Services for Aging and Adults with Physical Disabilities (DSAAPD) to expand the support and resources available to residents. DSAAPD staff members are onsite at several WHA locations to provide information and other resources to residents, including referrals, counseling options, and other resources.

DSAAPD's mission is to promote dignity, respect, and inclusion for older adults and people with disabilities. Residents can connect with DSAAPD staff members every month in the community room of the following locations:

DAY	LOCATION	TIME
TUESDAYS (March 19th)	BAYNARD APARTMENTS (309 W. 18th Street, Wilmington, DE 19802)	11:00 AM to 1:00 PM
TUESDAYS (March 19th)	CRESTVIEW (2700 N. Market Street, Wilmington, DE 19802)	2:00 PM to 4:00 PM
WEDNESDAYS (March 20th)	COMPTON TOWERS (325 E. 5th Street, Wilmington, DE 19801)	11:00 AM to 1:00 PM
WEDNESDAYS (March 20th)	HERLIHY APARTMENTS (320 E. 5th Street, Wilmington, DE 19801)	2:00 PM to 4:00 PM
THURSDAYS (March 21st)	PARK VIEW (1800 N. Broom Street, Wilmington, DE 19802)	11:00 AM to 1:00 PM



SMALL BUSINESS GRANTS FAIR

Small Business Development Center and Delaware Business Times is hosting the Small Business Grants Fair 2024. The fair will take place at Ed Oliver Golf Club in Wilmington on Thursday, March 21, 2024, from 11:30 AM to 1:30 PM. The event will include lunch, speakers, networking and one-on-one time with representatives for a cost of \$30.00.

Visit <http://delawaresbdc.org/> to purchase tickets and for more information.

TEMPORARY CLOSING FOR BRANDYWINE HUNDRED LIBRARY

Brandywine Library is having their roof and HVAC repaired and will be closed for three months as of February 1, 2024. Library material holds filled were sent to either Claymont or Woodlawn Library. As of May 1, 2024, Brandywine will become available for pick-ups.

For more information and to schedule holds to another location, visit <https://dlc.lib.de.us>.

COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTER GRAND OPENING

Impact Life’s Community Resource Center Grand Opening will take place on Thursday, February 29, 2024, at 11 Poplar Avenue in Elsmere from 3:00 PM to 6:00 PM. Light refreshments will be served. For more information on the Community Resource Center and programs available through Impact Life, visit <https://impactlifetoday.org/>.



DELAWARE WOMEN’S HALL OF FAME & SHE’S ON HER WAY AWARD NOMINATIONS

Delaware Office of Women’s Advancement & Advocacy is accepting nominations for both the Delaware Women’s Hall of Fame and the She’s on Her Way Award for 2024 until March 28, 2024.

Visit <https://dhr.delaware.gov/women/> for more information and nomination forms.

BOARD MEMBERSHIP OPENING

Black Mothers in Power has an opening for a legal specialist as a board member. This board member position would provide an opportunity to contribute their expertise and knowledge to further the organization’s mission. Email resume and brief statement of interest in joining the board to blackmothersinpower@gmail.com.



BLACK STUDENT SUMMIT

Delaware Racial Justice Collaborative and United Way are hosting the 3rd Annual Black Student Summit on March 23, 2024 at Appoquinimink High School, 1080 Bunker Hill Road in Middletown, DE, from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Tickets to the event are free of charge. This Summit will allow for connecting and uplifting members of Black Student Unions & Associations, Advisors, School administrators and allies that support them as they fight for equity and justice. All races/ethnicities are encouraged to attend.

Visit <https://uwde.org/event/2024-black-student-summit/> for tickets.

MSK PROGRAM OPENINGS

I Am My Sister's Keeping (MSK) of Wilmington program registrations are open for MSK Next Generation (Ages 6 to 11 years old) Program: Next Generation girls learn self-confidence and team building, using the STEAM initiative. Annual membership is \$45.00 per student.

Volunteer enrollments are also being accepted. If you are looking to join an organization that has direct impact and influence on the lives of young girls apply to be a part of IAMMSK Strong.

For more information, program registration and volunteer applications, visit <https://www.iammsk.org/wilmington>.

LEGO BRICK SHIPBUILDING DAY

Kalmar Nyckel Foundation is hosting their LEGO Brick Shipbuilding Day on Saturday, March 2, 2024, 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM at Copeland Maritime Center, 1124 East 7th Street, Wilmington, DE 19801. Build STEM ship models or design your own for their contest with a chance to win prizes. No registration required and LEGOs provided or bring your own.

Visit <https://www.kalmarnyckel.org/legoday> for more information .

NCC HEARTED ART CONTEST OPEN

Entries are being accepted for the New Castle County heARTed Art Contest. This year's theme is a scene from an adventure. Submissions are due Tuesday, April 2, 2024. Visit <https://www.newcastlede.gov/1822/NCC-HeARTed-Art-Contest> for more information.

DOLLY PARTON'S IMAGINATION LIBRARY

Thousands of Delaware children are participating in Dolly Parton's Imagination Library program since it was introduced in May of 2022.

This program provides free, high-quality books to Delaware children from birth to age 5. Children can be signed up for this program at lib.de.us/imagination.



GOVERNMENT SUMMER INTERNSHIP

An internship opportunity with DE Representative, Lisa Blunt Rochester, in the summer of 2024. Resume packets are being accepted until March 18, 2024. Visit <https://bluntrochester.house.gov/constituent-services/internships/> for more information and details to apply.



OFFICE OF DEFENCE SERVICES INTERNSHIP

Office of Defense Services Internship is recruiting for Summer 2024 unpaid Internship Program opportunities for college students at their Hockessin location. Interns will engage in court observations, hands on experience, and explore career pathways.

Visit <https://ods.delaware.gov/internships/> for more information. To apply, submit cover letter and resume to mariac.whiting@delaware.gov.

DELAWARE NATURE SOCIETY INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Delaware Nature Society has two internship programs, Summer Outreach Internship and Summer Education Internship, between three locations in the Wilmington area. Internship opportunities are for a 12 week contract. Both programs have an anticipated start date of June 3, 2024 with an application deadline of April 5, 2024 for the Summer Education Internship.

Visit <https://www.delawarenaturesociety.org/about/job-opportunities/> for job descriptions and to apply.





FIRST STATE TECH PARTNERSHIP SUMMER INTERNSHIP

First State Tech Partnership is offering a paid summer internship as a Technology Intern for high school students entering their senior year. The employer for this opportunity is Code Differently. This internship will be from June 17 to August 2, 2024, for 30 hours per week at a rate of \$15.00 per hour. Application deadline is 5:00 PM, March 8, 2024.

Visit <https://firststatetechpartnership.recuitee.com/> to submit application, as well as for more information on this opportunity and others through First State Tech Partnership.

IT IS FASFA TIME AGAIN

The FASFA Delaware State deadline is May 15, 2024. Any student, regardless of income, who wants to be considered for federal, state, and school financial aid programs. This includes grants, scholarships, work-study funds, and loans should complete a FASFA form. Missing a state deadline does not impact your eligibility for federal student aid, so fill out your FAFSA form even if your state deadline has passed.

Visit <https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa> for more information and to apply.



COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY

Del-One Federal Credit Union is offering a \$2,500.00 scholarship to Delaware high school seniors. They will award scholarships to students who demonstrate the following:

- Academic excellence
- Community involvement
- Credit Union participation
- Financial need

All applications must be postmarked no later than March 15, 2024 to qualify for current year consideration. For more information contact Amy Resh at Del-One, 270 Beiser Blvd. Dover, Delaware 19904 or Amy.Resh@Del-One.org.



NEW CASTLE COUNTY YOUTH EMPLOYMENT RECRUITING

Applications are being accepted for both summer and ongoing New Castle County (NCC) Youth employment. Positions are for income-eligible youth ages 14 - 21. Auxiliary aids and services are available upon request to individuals with disabilities. Selected applicants will be paid \$15 per hour. Opportunities are available in a variety of categories including, but not limited to coding, early childhood, aquatics, agriculture and construction.

Visit <https://nccyouthjobs.newcastlede.gov/> or call 302-395-5888 for more information and to apply.



ALWAYS BEST CARE WILMINGTON IS HIRING

Always Best Care Wilmington is hiring caregivers. Recruitment open house will be February 29, 2024, from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM at 1906 N. Market St. in Wilmington. Applications also accepted online at <https://alwaysbestcare.com/>. For more information call 302-409-3710 X451.

BRANDYWINE SCHOOL DISTRICT CAREER FAIR

Brandywine School District Student Career Fair is being hosted Friday, March 8, 2024, from 8:30 AM to 11:30 AM at Mt. Pleasant High School Large Gymnasium at 5201 Washington Street in Wilmington. Vendors are also welcome to register.

For more information, contact Sunday Dyitt, Brandywine Work-based Learning Coordinator, at sdyitt@jdginc.org. To learn more about jobs for Delaware Graduates, visit <https://jobsdegrads.org/>.





INCYTE IS RECRUITING

Incyte is recruiting for over 30 opportunities over a variety of departments and positions. Locations include two Wilmington sites and remote. Several of open positions are:

- Sr. Manager/Associate Director, Finance R&D
- Executive Director, Development Project Management
- IT Systems Analyst/Project Manager
- Director Business Development
- Associate Director, Principal Medical Writer

For a full listing of open positions, job descriptions and to apply, visit <https://careers.incyte.com/jobs>.



METHOD HOSPITALITY IS HIRING

The Quoin Hotel and Restaurant of Method Hospitality has over four positions available in Wilmington in several departments. Opportunities include:

- General Manager
- Housekeeper
- Server
- Dishwasher

For a full listing of open positions, job descriptions, and to apply, visit <https://www.methodco.com/careers/>.



TECHNICAL STAFFING RESOURCES IS HIRING

Technical Staffing Resources has four positions available in various career paths with four employers. Positions available include various contract periods. Positions are as follows:

- Piping Designer
- Field Safety Specialist
- Administrative Assistant
- Construction Superintendent

For full job descriptions and to apply, visit <https://www.technicalstaffingresources.com/job-search>.

NEW ECOLOGY IS RECRUITING

New Ecology has offices in Wilmington, Baltimore and Boston and is recruiting for six career opportunities. These opportunities include several departments and skill sets. Below are the openings:

- Energy Engineer
- Program Manager
- Assistant Construction Project Manager
- Senior Project Manager
- Director of Green Building Services
- HERS Rater

For full job descriptions and to apply on-line, visit <https://www.newecology.org/category/jobs/>.

BLOOD BANK OF DELMARVA HAS OPENINGS

Blood Bank of Delmarva has several openings available over various departments. Below are the opportunities available:

- Apheresis Tele-Recruiter - Enterprise - Hybrid
- Contact Center Associate
- Director, Human Resources -
- Blood Collection Technician - NCC Mobile Team

For full job descriptions and to apply, visit <https://www.delmarvablood.org/careers/>.



GOODWILL & GOODWILL STAFFING ARE HIRING

Goodwill continues to grow and positions at Goodwill Staffing Services are available throughout the state of Delaware. Goodwill is seeking full and part-time employees in a variety of business sectors.

Visit www.GoodwillDE.org/Jobs to apply for open positions. Applicants can also receive assistance preparing for their career through the Goodwill Resource Center, visit www.GoodwillDE.org/job-resource-centers/. For more information, email GSS@GoodwillDE.org.



POSITIVE ASPIRED LEARNING HAS OPENINGS

Positive Aspired Learning has over 200 full-time positions available in the Wilmington area. Positions available are from a diverse group of organizations and career paths. Examples of the positions available are:

- Solar Sales Consultant
- Childcare Program Coordinator
- Line Cook
- Meat Cutter
- Licensed Esthetician
- Senior Corporate Accountant

Visit <https://www.newhirehunter.com/> for more career opportunities and full job descriptions.

AB STAFFING SOLUTIONS ARE HIRING

AB Staffing Solutions has employment opportunities in health, education and corrections related fields, including travel nurses throughout the United States. They have four full-time nursing positions available in Wilmington. Positions available include:

- Labor & Delivery
- Psychiatry
- RN
- LPN

For employment details, full job descriptions and to apply, visit <https://www.abstaffing.com/>.

PERFORMANCE STAFFING HAS OPENINGS

Performance Staffing of Wilmington has seven openings in culinary, hospitality, and construction business areas.

Positions available are:

- Housekeeping Attendant
- Culinary Cook
- Banquet Server
- Culinary Kitchen Assistant
- House Attendant- Floor Leader
- Forklift Operator
- Certified Flagger

For full job descriptions and to apply, visit <https://www.performancestaffing.biz/jobseekers.html>



DELAWARE NATURE SOCIETY HAS OPENINGS

Delaware Nature Society has five openings between four locations in the Wilmington area. Positions available include a variety of departments and schedules. See below for openings:

- Director of Education
- Staff Accountant
- Teacher Naturalist
- Vegetable Production Assistant - Coverdale Farm
- Small Craft / Paddling Trip Leader

Visit <https://www.delawarenaturesociety.org/about/job-opportunities/> for job descriptions and to apply.

DELAWARE STATE HOUSING AUTHORITY IS RECRUITING

Delaware State Housing Authority has seven full-time positions available at their Kent & Sussex County locations. The positions available include:

- Director of Human Resources
- Housing Manager II
- Housing Asset Analyst
- Assistant Social Services Coordinator
- SRAP Housing & Recertification Specialist
- Facility Maintenance Mechanic II
- Facility Maintenance Technician II

For full job descriptions and to apply, visit <https://www.destatehousing.com/DirectorsOffice/employment.php>.

FAITHFUL FRIENDS IS HIRING

Faithful Friends Animal Society of New Castle has 11 full-time and part-time positions available. The positions available include Community Outreach Program Coordinator, Experienced Veterinarian Technician, Lead Wellness Clinic Veterinarian, Wellness Clinic Veterinarian, Veterinary Surgeon, Executive Assistant (Full-Time), Dog Caretaker, Cat Caretaker, Facility Maintenance, Janitor and Groundskeeper, Customer Care Representative, and Pet Food Bank Coordinator.

Visit <https://faithfulfriends.us/careers/> for more information and to apply.





WRK GROUP HAS OPENINGS

The WRK Group of Wilmington has an opening for a Director of Operations. The WRK Group salary range for this position is between \$90,000.00 - \$120,000.00 per year. The following positions are also available:

- Education Coordinator
- Navigation Coach
- Benefits Administrator
- Education Specialist
- Healthy Food Access Specialist

Visit <https://wrkgroup.org/careers/> for detailed job descriptions and to apply.

KALMAR NYCKEL IS HIRING

Kalmar Nyckel has four positions available in their Wilmington location. Positions consist of three full-time and the one part-time. Opportunities include a variety of skill sets. Below are available positions:

- Office Manager
- Assistant Director of Public Programs and Engagement
- Development Director
- Museum Educator - Part-time

For full job descriptions and to apply visit <https://www.kalmarnyckel.org/career-opportunities>.



REEDS REFUGE CENTER HAS OPENINGS

Reeds Refuge Center, located in Wilmington, has an opening for a full-time Program Manager that reports to the CEO Administrative Team.

For more information on the organization, visit <https://reedsrefugecenter.org/>. For full job description and to apply on-line, visit <https://www.indeed.com/viewjob?jk=08d35b395623e3fa>.

THE POLICE ATHLETIC LEAGUE OF WILMINGTON IS HIRING

Police Athletic League (PAL) Wilmington is hiring a Development Director and Education Director. For the full job description and information, email Kenneth Harris, Deputy Director, at kenneth.harris@palw.org or call 302-764-6170. Email resumes to yolanda.williams@palw.org.

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