

DECEMBER 2022

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE WILMINGTON HOUSING AUTHORITY'S MONTHLY UPDATES



WHA NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR MADISON GARDENS & PARK VIEW APARTMENTS

The 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 LAUNCHES AUTOMATED MESSAGING

The Wilmington Housing Authority will be introducing automated text messages and phone calls to residents. These automated messages will allow residents to receive updates, notices, and other resources in real time. Stay tuned for more information.

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.

WHA PARTNERS WITH CELEEBRATE US WORKFORCE TRAINING



Wilmington Housing Authority (WHA) partnered with *Celebrate Us Workforce Training* to develop an internal workforce training program for residents. *Celebrate Us* hosted their first class at Bayhealth with both onsite and virtual attendance options for the Certified Central Sterile Processing Technician course.

The course is a 16-week certification program instructed by Bayhealth's Sterile Processing Manager and Certified Surgical Technician. *Celebrate Us* Executive Director, Lisa Pierce, will also provide workforce development and soft skills training. At the end of the program, those students that meet course requirements will be assisted with job placement.

Celebrate Us is an intense workforce development program. The goal of the program is to provide a path for students to achieve self-sufficiency through employment and professional certification. *Celebrate Us* used the double "e" to represent the extra efforts used to support their students and employer partners. During their time with *Celebrate Us*, students also receive personal development training to help them thrive as they work towards their goals.

For more information on future certification options, contact WHA's Darniece Hampton at 302-429-0954 ext. 214.



NERDIT ACADEMY PRE-APPRENTICE APPLICATIONS BEING ACCEPTED

The NERDiT Academy is a training program that provides both theoretical and hands-on training for all pre-apprentice students. Pre-apprentices will learn practical skills that will equip them for jobs in the technical field. NERDiT programs teach the practical, emotional, and IT skills necessary to build careers in the technology field. Cohorts launch every quarter.

Pre-apprenticeship Offers:

- \$100 a week Stipend
- Certification for IT Fundamentals

For more information and to apply, visit <https://www.nerditcares.org/nerdit-now-pre-apprenticeship-application-form/>.





WILMINGTON JOB CORPS

Wilmington Job Corps (9 Vandever Avenue, Wilmington, DE 19802) offers free training for eligible students between the ages of 16 and 24.

High-demand industry trainings include:

- Culinary Arts
- Facilities
- Nursing Assistant
- Office Administration

Training, uniforms, specialty safety equipment, transportation, meals, school supplies, housing, basic health care are offered free. Benefits of students also include a biweekly living allowance, childcare allotment, and clothing allowance. Students are offered the opportunity to obtain a GED or High School Diploma equivalent. Additionally, Job Corps offers career planning, assistance with transitioning to college, on-the-job training, job placement assistance, driver's education and English language learning.

Training is self-paced with the most successful students remaining in the program at least 18 months. This 18-month average provides adequate time for most students to gain knowledge and social skills for a new career.

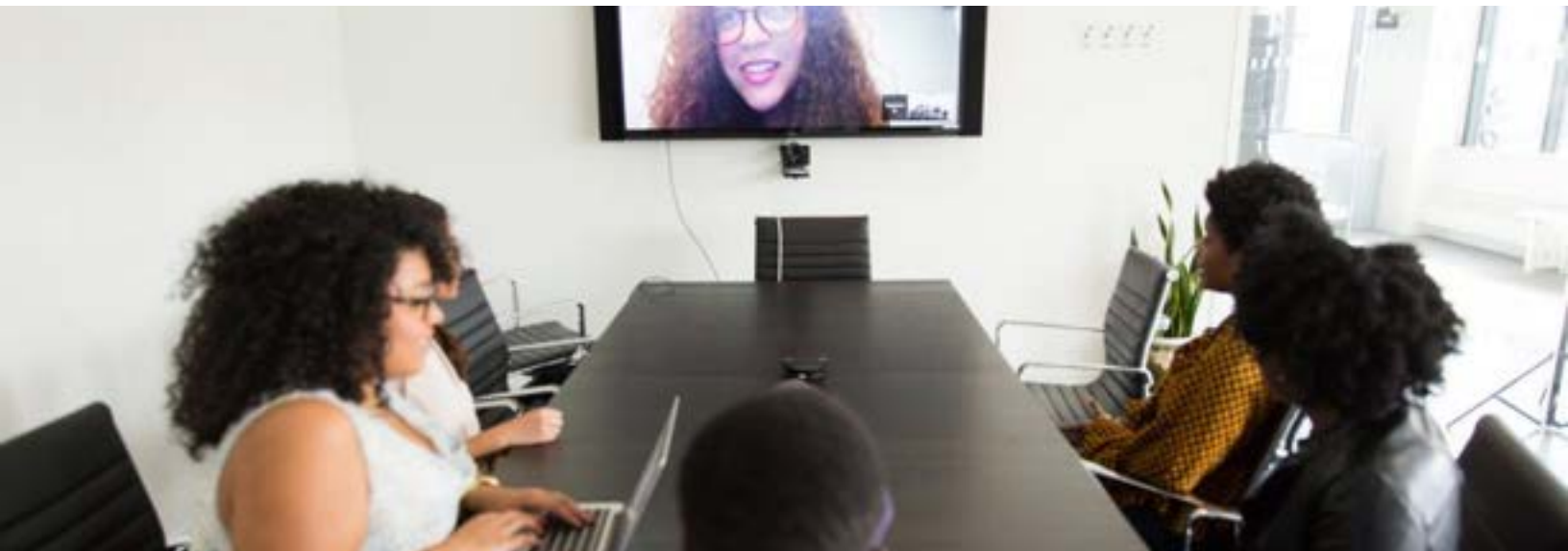
For Information on classes and to complete an Enrollment Interest Form visit <https://wilmington.jobcorps.gov> or call 1-800-733-JOBS.

TRAIL AMBASSADOR PAID WORK PROGRAM

Trail Ambassadors is a paid, year-round environmentally focused work program for City of Wilmington youth. Application Deadline is December 15, 2022. Program dates are from October 2022 to August 2023.

For more information and to apply, visit <https://forms.gle/tW49JtUFaGsgWhzZ8>.





YOUTHBUILD PROGRAM IS NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS

The Wilmington Housing Authority (WHA) is actively recruiting individuals for the YouthBuild Program. 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 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 CULINARY TRAINING STARTS JANUARY 17 IN NEWARK & MILFORD

The Food Bank of Delaware is offering ServSafe Certification free training. The training also includes transportation, uniform and textbook free of charge. This 14-week training includes two weeks PAID work experience at a local employer and job placement assistance.

Students must be available Monday-Friday from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM for in-person hands-on training at the Food Bank of Delaware located at 222 Lake Drive, Newark, DE 19702 or 140 Matlind Way, Milford, DE 19963.

For more information on classes in Newark, contact Greg Oakley at goakley@fbd.org or 302-292-1305 ext. 279.

For Information on classes located at Milford contact Michelle Cephas at mcephas@fbd.org or 302-424-3301 ext. 107. To apply for either location, please visit <https://www.fbd.org/the-culinary-school>.

FREE WAREHOUSE & LOGISTICS TRAINING CLASS STARTS JANUARY 17 IN NEWARK

The Food Bank of Delaware is offering Certified Logistics Associate and Certified Technician Credentials training through the 11-week L.O.G.I.C (Logistics, Operations, General Warehousing and Inventory Control) training program.

This training is being offered at no cost along with two weeks PAID work experience at a local employer. Job placement assistance is also provided.

Students must be available Monday-Friday from 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM for in-person hands-on training at the Food Bank of Delaware located at 222 Lake Drive, Newark, DE 19702.

For more information, contact Greg Oakley at goakley@fbd.org or 302-292-1305 ext. 279. To apply, please visit <https://www.fbd.org/logic>.



HABITAT FOR HUMANITY HOMEOWNERSHIP INFORMATION SESSION

Habitat for Humanity of New Castle County, in partnership with EMPOWER by Kingswood Community Center is hosting a Homeownership Information session on January 10, 2023, at 6:00 PM. The information session is being hosted at 2300 Bowers St, Wilmington, DE 19802.

Participants will learn how to:

- Get the lowest interest rate on the market
- Change their community
- Be self-sufficient

Stand By Me will also be available to arrange for free confidential one-on-one financial coaching and workshops.

For more information, contact Habitat for Humanity of New Castle County at 302-652-0365.

HEALTHCARE CAREER PATH OPPORTUNITY



Pro Sticks Academy offers a 4-week program to become a certified Phlebotomy Technician. Courses are in-person at 29 West Lookerman St., Dover, DE.

In January 2023, there will also be an opportunity to become certified as a Behavioral Health Technician as well as a Medical Assistant.

For more information and to apply visit <https://www.prosticksacademy.com> or call 302-670-8200.

DELAWARE CENTER FOR JUSTICE OFFERS EXPUNGEMENT ASSISTANCE

Delaware Center For Justice offers expungement assistance and all fees are covered. Assistance can be provided for the following:

- Mandatory
- Discretionary
- Juvenile Systems

Eligibility includes:

- Delaware Charges
- Guilty Convictions
- Adult Convictions
- Juvenile Convictions
- Juvenile Adjudications
- Noelle Processed Charges

For more information, visit dcjustice.org or contact Tahali Nichols at 302-658-7174 ext. 32.



FLU AND COVID-19 VACCINES AT WESTSIDE FAMILY HEALTHCARE

Westside Family Healthcare (WFHC) walk-in vaccine clinic has flu shots as well as COVID-19 vaccines and boosters available for patients and non-patients ages 6 months and older. No appointment necessary.

For more information about clinic locations and hours visit <https://www.westsidehealth.org/covid-19/vaccines/>.

WFHC is also accepting new patients at all five locations. WFHC provides care for everyone, regardless of ability to pay, immigration or citizenship status, national origin, religion, race, ethnicity, gender identity, or sexual orientation.

To learn more about Westside Family Healthcare, visit <https://www.westsidehealth.org>.



AMERIHEALTH CARITAS DELAWARE WELLNESS PROGRAMS

AmeriHealth Caritas Delaware partners provides wellness programs to members through local organizations. Programs include:

- Diabetes Self-Management Program
- National Diabetes Prevention Program
- Healthy Heart Ambassador Blood Pressure Self-Monitoring Program

For more information call the Rapid Response and Outreach Team at 1-844-623-7090 or visit www.amerithealthcaritasde.com/membereng/resources/communit-resources.

HEALTH INSURANCE MARKET PLACE ENROLLMENT HELP

Westside Family Healthcare offers FREE assistance with Health Insurance Market Place enrollment process. The enrollment period is November 1, 2022, until January 15, 2023.

All are welcome to schedule an in-person or virtual appointment. All languages are assisted statewide. Representatives are available to help households select the plan that is right for them.

For more information and to schedule an appointment select one of three options:

- Phone for New Castle County: (302) 472-8655
- Phone for Kent & Sussex County: (302) 678 -2205
- Email: enrollment@westsidehealth.org
- Website: www.westsideheath.org/marketplace



EDUCATIONAL TRAINING VOUCHERS

Education and Training Vouchers (ETV) through the Department of Services for Children, Youth & Their Families (DSCYF), provide financial assistance for youth to pursue a post-secondary education or training program. Eligible youth are those who aged out of foster care at age 18, or youth who exited foster care after the age of 16 to adoption or guardianship.

ETV funds can be used for direct costs (i.e., tuition, books, campus housing) and indirect costs (i.e., transportation, childcare, off-campus housing).

ETV funds are available to eligible youth up to the age of 26 and participation is limited to a total of 5 years.

For more information, contact Sophia Elliott at 302-633-2538 or Sophia.Elliott@delaware.gov.

SAFE HAVEN FOR TEENS IS OPEN

William "Hicks" Anderson Community Center located at 501 N Madison St, Wilmington, DE 19801, offers the Safe Haven Program for those 13 years of age or older. Safe Haven provides a space for hanging out and attending classes.

Class offerings include:

- Sewing
- Boxing
- Basketball
- Manhood Training
- Swim Lessons
- Nutritional Workshops and Demos

Safe Haven Hours:

- Thursday, 8:00 PM to 10:00 PM
- Saturday, 8:00 AM to 10:00 AM
- Sunday, 10:00 AM. to 12:00 PM



Food will be served. State COVID-19 guidelines will be enforced. For more information, contact (302) 571-4266.



FOOD PANTRY & COMMUNITY REFRIGERATOR

The Warehouse, hosts *Plenty*, a weekly free pantry, located at 1121 Thatcher St, Wilmington, DE 19802. The food pantry is open every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM.

A community refrigerator is also stocked weekly with fresh produce and shelf-stable food items. All items are free and open to the public, 24 hours a day and 7 days a week.



WAREHOUSE WEDNESDAYS FOR TEENS

The Warehouse hosts Warehouse Wednesdays from 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM at 1121 Thatcher St, Wilmington DE 19802.

The Warehouse is a teen engagement organization designed to allow teens to have a safe and encouraging atmosphere to grow into a successful contributor to society.

These open house events provide teens an opportunity to learn about The Warehouse's:

- Activities
- Employment opportunities
- "For Teens, By Teens" culture
- How to become a member

Visit <https://teenwarehouse.org> to sign up for a Warehouse Wednesday and to learn more about The Warehouse programming.



CITY OF WILMINGTON MOBILE FOOD PANTRIES

William "Hicks" Anderson Community Center will be hosting Mobile Food Pantries throughout 2023. The pantries will be from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM at 501 N. Madison St, Wilmington, DE.

The dates for the first quarter of 2023 are January 12th, February 9th and March 16th. Participants must be a Delaware resident and have proof of residency (i.e.. photo ID, recent bill or mail or EBT card).

For more information, call (302) 571-4266.





BEAUTIFUL GATE OUTREACH CENTER OFFERS HIV TESTING

Beautiful Gate Outreach Center offers HIV testing at 604 W. Walnut Street, Wilmington, DE 19801. They encourage the community to join the challenge of ending the stigma to having testing to learn your HIV status.

Testing is offered during business hours or by appointment. Office hours are Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM and closed on Thursdays.

For information and to schedule an appointment, call 302-472-3002.



GET HELP AT THE LIBRARY

Route 9 Library and Innovation Center located at 3022 New Castle Ave., New Castle, DE has Essential Needs Navigators every Monday and Tuesday. Navigators help patrons with benefits applications through the ASSIST Portal. Assistance given for, but not limited to, Medicaid, SNAP, Home Energy Assistance, Childcare. Job application assistance and community partner referrals are also provided.

Teleservices are also available for meetings such as doctor's visits, job interviews and much more.

For more information, visit <https://www.newcastlede.gov/1389/Route-9-Library-Innovation-Center> or call (302) 657-8020.





HUMAN TRAFFICKING STUDIES 2023 WEBINARS

Wilmington University's Criminal Justice Institute & The College of Social & Behavioral Sciences offers free monthly virtual Human Trafficking awareness webinars. Human Trafficking Studies Webinars are hosted the last Tuesday of each month through April 2023.

For more information and to register, visit <https://www.wilmu.edu/humantraffickingsymposium>. If you have any questions, email to humantraffickingawareness@wilmu.edu.



DELAWARE HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES COMMUNITY RESOURCE FAIR

Delaware Health & Social Services agencies and community partners will be available for case management. Case managers and community partners will connect participants with resources as they navigate barriers such as a transition from Emergency Assistance Services (EAS) to alternative housing, job placement, benefits applications and much more. Community members are welcome to a free resource fair at West End Neighborhood House, 701 N. Lincoln Street Wilmington, DE on December 15, 2022, from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM.

Contact the Community Partner Support Unit at Community_Partnership_Support_Unit@delaware.gov for more information and assistance.

TOYS FOR TOTS

Better Tomorrows (Bethel Villa), located at 506 E 5th St, Wilmington, DE 19801 is a 2022 Toys For Tots distribution site for children.

Families are to email their children's gender, age and a telephone number where they can be contacted to pick up toys. Email LaTangela McDuffy at latangela.mcduffy@bettertomorrows.org.





BATH & BODY WORKS IS HIRING

Bath & Body Works is hiring in both their Christiana Mall location, 715 Christiana Mall Rd, Newark 19702 and their Prices Corner location of 3220-A Kirkwood Hwy, Wilmington, DE 19808.

Positions being filled are:

- Seasonal Sales Associate - both locations
- Supervisor - Christiana Mall
- Assistant Manager - Prices Corner
- Key Holder - Prices Corner

For more information or to apply, please visit <https://careers.bathandbodyworks.com>.

WAFFLE HOUSE HAS OPENINGS

Waffle House located at 598 West Main St, Middletown, DE 19709 is hiring. Openings included are Restaurant Manager, Cooks and Servers. For more information and to apply visit <https://www.wafflehouse.com/careers>.

BREAKTHRU BEVERAGE IS HIRING

Breakthru Beverage of Middletown, Delaware has positions to be filled statewide in various departments. Sign-on bonuses are also offered for several positions.

Open positions include, but are not limited to:

- Merchandiser - Claymont & Sussex County
- Warehouse Associates - Middletown
- Warehouse Custodian - Middletown
- Account Development Specialists - Middletown

For more information on all openings across sites or to apply for a position with Breakthru Beverage, visit <https://careers-breakthrubev.icims.com/jobs/search>.

DELAWARE STATE POLICE IS HIRING

The Delaware State Police Communications Division has openings for full-time Telecommunications Specialists. Positions available in all three Counties with a sign on bonus of \$4,000.00.

Telecommunications Specialists have an annual salary of \$42,428.00 + \$2,000.00 shift differential. Other benefits include, but are not limited to, paid holidays, sick leave and vacation days and 25-year retirement option.

Visit <https://dsp.delaware.gov/civilian-careers/> to apply for more information.





PAM HEALTH REHABILITATION HOSPITAL IS RECRUITING

PAM Health is a multi-state organization with facilities located in Dover and Milford, Delaware. Thirty career opportunities are available across various fields.

Positions include but are not limited to:

- Speech Language Pathologist - Milford - Full-time
- Physical Therapist Assistant - Milford - Full-time
- Occupational Therapist - Milford - Part-time
- Environmental Services Technician - Dover - Full-time
- Cook - Dover - Part-time
- Maintenance Technician - Full-time

For more information and to apply visit <https://reecruiting.ultipro.com/>.

AMAZON HAS JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Amazon has positions being offered in Delaware, Philadelphia and South Jersey with salaries of \$15.00 per hour or more. A \$1,000.00 sign-on bonus is also being offered.

Benefits include, but not limited to:

- Flexible shifts and schedules
- Tuition support options
- Healthcare, 401k, paid time off
- Career advancement

To learn more, visit amazon.com/hourlyjobsnearme or text AMAZON to 77088 to sign up for alerts from Amazon.

GOODWILL & GOODWILL STAFFING ARE HIRING

Goodwill is growing and positions at Goodwill Staffing Services are available throughout the state of Delaware, Goodwill is seeking full and part-time employees. Visit www.GoodwillDE.org/Jobs to apply for all open positions. Applicants can also receive assistance preparing for your career through the Goodwill Resource Center visit www.GoodwillDE.org/job-resource-centers/. For more information, email GSS@GoodwillDE.org.

RANDSTAD STAFFING OPPORTUNITIES

Randstad Staffing has over 20 career opportunities within the Wilmington area and multiple locations, including Pennsylvania. Openings range from temporary to permanent covering a multiple skillsets and salaries. Remote positions are also being recruited for Delaware and Pennsylvania.

For a full listing of openings and to apply visit <https://www.randstadusa.com/jobs/>.

JOHNSON CONTROLS IS HIRING

Johnson Controls is hiring locally in Delaware, Pennsylvania and Maryland. In New Castle and Wilmington there are a variety of career categories available, including an apprenticeship.

In addition to part-time and full-time positions, Johnson Controls, offers an internship and development programs for college students. Visit <https://www.johnsoncontrols.com/careers/early-careers> or details on these opportunities.

For a full listing and descriptions of career opportunities, visit <https://jobs.johnsoncontrols.com>.



UPS IS HIRING FOR THEIR NEW CASTLE COUNTY FACILITIES

Both New Castle and Newark's UPS locations are hiring. There are three job types available including peak season and full-time providing strong growth potential. Prior to hiring, UPS requires an extensive background check. General benefits include, but not limited to, health benefits after 9 months with no out-of-pocket-costs and up to \$5,250 per year in tuition assistance. See below for more details for each opportunity.

The first two openings are Driver Helper and Warehouse Worker. Each position starting at \$17.00 an hour paid weekly. Hours for the Warehouse Workers are 4:00 AM - 9:00 AM & 5:00 PM - 10:00 PM. All times are approximate and will vary during peak season.

The third openings are for full-time Personal Vehicle Delivery Driver. This position is also paid weekly at a rate of \$21.00 per hour. Each of these delivery drivers use their own car and receive a reimbursement rate of 0.625 per mile as well as a daily phone stipend of \$5.00 per day.

For information all openings with UPS and to apply, visit www.upsjobs.com.



DART IS HIRING

Delaware Transit Corporation located at 119 Lower Beech St, Wilmington, DE is offering up to a \$3,000.00 sign on bonus as well as paid CDL Training. A few of the positions to be filled are Mechanic Helpers, Auto Technicians, Mechanics, fixed routes and paratransit route drivers.

For more information and full list of openings register, visit <https://dartfirststate.com>.



STUDENT LOAN FORGIVENESS

Federal Student Loan Debt Relief program, through the United States Department of Education, provides eligible borrowers with full or partial discharge of loans up to \$20,000 to Federal Pell Grant recipients and up to \$10,000 to non-Pell Grant recipients.

Eligibility

- Individuals who made less than \$125,000 in 2021 or 2020
- Families that made less than \$250,000 in 2021 or 2020
- If you filed federal taxes, your income requirements are based on your adjusted gross income (AGI), which tends to be lower than your total income. Your AGI can be found on line 11 of the IRS Form 1040.

How It Works

- Apply no later than Dec. 31, 2022
- Eligibility is determined
- Your loan servicer will notify you when your relief has been processed

For more details on student loan debt relief plan, other loan forgiveness programs and to apply, visit <https://studentaid.gov/debt-relief/application>.



FOSTER CARE TUITION WAIVER PROGRAM

Department of Services for Children, Youth & Their Families (DSCYF), offers college tuition waiver program to individuals that spent some or all of their teenage years in Delaware foster care program. Tuition Waiver program is offered to students attending Delaware State University, Delaware Technical Community College and University of Delaware.

After eligible students have applied for all financial aid opportunities, they can then apply for the tuition waiver for leftover tuition and fees. Students are eligible until 27 years of age.

The tuition waiver program will cover:

- All tuition and fees (including books)
- Year-round on-campus room and board (including meal plan for students attending Delaware State University or University of Delaware)

For more information and to apply, visit <https://kids.delaware.gov/family-services/foster-care>.

AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAM

Delaware Family Restoration Services (DFRS) offers afterschool programming Monday through Friday from 4:30 PM to 6:30 PM.

This free programming is located at The Freedom Center, 31 W 31st Street, Wilmington, DE in Room 7. Children will receive homework help, a snack, and more.

DFRS not only offers youth engagement programming, but they also work with families as a whole. Services are offered to strengthen families, particularly those that have been impacted by incarceration. In addition to this afterschool program, DFRS also offers services in:

- Re-Entry
- Substance Abuse
- Technology 101 Workshops

For more information and to register children, visit www.dfrsde.org or email admin@dfrsde.org.



YOUTH INDEPENDENT LIVING SERVICES

Department of Services for Children, Youth & Their Families (DSCYF), in partnership with six community organizations statewide, offers independent living case management and transitional services. These services are for youth, ages 14 and older, who are in foster care, and youth who have exited care after their 18th birthday but have not reached age 21.

Participants receive training in life skills and personal development, mentoring, tuition assistance, and support with transitional living to promote self-sufficiency. Participants may also qualify to receive needs-based stipends through ASSIST (Achieving Self Sufficiency & Independence through Supported Transition) to help with living expenses.

For more information, contact Sophia Elliott at 302-633-2538 or Sophia.Elliott@delaware.gov.



THE WILMINGTON HOUSING AUTHORITY IS ONLINE

The Wilmington Housing Authority posts regular announcements and events on our website and Facebook page. Scan the QR codes to visit our website (<https://whadelaware.org/>) and our Facebook page.



WHA WEBSITE



WHA FACEBOOK PAGE

For general questions, inquiries, and other information for Wilmington Housing Authority's Executive Director, Ray Fitzgerald, please contact his Executive Administrative Assistant, Nancy Clark at NClark@whadelaware.org.