



Build Independence Jobs Plus Newsletter

Hocker Heights & Pleasant Heights Residents

<https://www.independenceha.org/JobsPlusGrant.aspx>



The office will be CLOSED January 1st for New Years Day and January 20th for Martin Luther King Jr. Day

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LEARN TO SUCCEED

Unless stated otherwise, events are held in the Computer Center of Hocker Heights and Pleasant Heights (8th Floor).

If you cannot attend the event at Hocker Heights, please plan on attending at Pleasant Heights.



Sherwin-Williams Graduation Day! Tonya (photo right) and Christina (photo center), both of Pleasant Heights, received tools for the trade! Graduates receive the Sherwin-Williams Painter/Renovator Certification (photo left). Congratulations! Pre-register for the Spring Session. Contact Sandee Woods at 816-916-6995.

Tuesdays, December 31, January 14 & 28 starting at 6pm FREE Medical Attention

Offsite: Unity Center of Independence, 801 W. 23rd St S, Independence, MO



The Unity Center of Independence will be offering **FREE Medical Attention** to those in need.

Tuesday, January 7 and 21

Onsite: Hocker Heights 11:30pm - 12:30pm, Pleasant Heights 1pm - 2pm

Express Pros

Employment/Workforce Workshop



James Garrett,
CEO

Seeking part-time or full-time employment? Finding employment is simple! Express Employment Professionals workforce readiness workshop held at **Hocker and Pleasant Heights Computer Centers**. Express Professionals and Jobs Plus has partnered for employment opportunities in eastern Jackson county. **Wages begin at \$12.00 and up. Apply online at <https://www.expresspros.com/>**

To schedule your interview, contact Mr. Garrett or Mr. Shields at 816-229-5627.



Wolfgang Shields,
M.S.

Wednesdays, January 8 and 22

Onsite: Hocker Heights 1:30pm – 2:30pm, Pleasant Heights 3pm - 4pm

TJM

Money Management Techniques

Pizza and Numbers will be a fun one hour course of learning how to manage your earned income. TJM will bring pizza and beverages! Learn how to save your money! Reward yourself for planning and sustaining your financial goals! Pre-register for Pizza and Numbers. Contact Ann Benson 816-836-9200 ext. 348 or Courtnee Myles 816-836-9200 ext. 329. Pizza and Numbers held January 8 & 22, February 12 & 26, and March 11 & 25. **Save the dates!**

Wednesdays, January 8, 15, 22, and 29 at 2pm

Offsite: MCPL, North Independence Branch, 317 US-24, Independence, MO

Mid-Continent Public Library

Computer Classes



Wednesday, January 8 at 2pm

Getting to Know Your Computer

Wednesday, January 15 at 2pm

Navigating Your Computer

Wednesday, January 22 at 2pm

Internet for Beginners

Wednesday, January 29 at 2pm

Email for Beginners

Call 816-252-0950 for details.



The Computer Centers are available for Hocker and Pleasant Heights Residents ONLY. Hours Mon and Wed 9am – 12pm and 1pm – 4pm. Tues and Thurs 9am – 12pm. Closed Fridays.



Now Hiring

<https://careers.staples.com/>

Staples

Corporate/Warehouse



Staples is currently recruiting part-time 10am – 3:30pm Order Picker starting \$14.05 per hour at their Kansas City Missouri Location! To apply, go to http://staples.jobs/tp/rj6_R4jIP-I.K

Enrolling Now!

In home services

MARC

Head Start Program



Mid-America Regional Council, is accepting applications from families with children up to age five and pregnant women. Walk-ins or appointments are available. Please call for a list of required documents. For more information, contact Kate Jacquin, Eligibility Specialist at 816-841-3382. Kate will meet parent(s) or legal guardian(s) to assist with enrollment onsite at Hocker and Pleasant Heights. Visit <https://www.marc.org/headstart>, or send an email to marchheadstart@marc.org.

Thursday, January 30 at 3pm, Hocker Heights Community Center

Jobs Plus

Friday, January 31 at 3pm, Pleasant Heights 8th Floor

Milestone Celebration



Residents achieving a Jobs Plus milestone will received a special invite to the Milestone celebration. Residents achieved one or more of the following: part-time or full-time employment, certifications, Hi-Set completion, college enrollment, college completion, Internship, work experience or OJT, part-time to full-time employment, Wage increase percent. Contact Ann Benson, Hocker 816-836-9200 ext. 348 or Courtnee Myles, Pleasant 816-836-9200 ext. 329.

Congratulations Hocker and Pleasant Heights! Jobs Plus Celebrates First Year Anniversary! Photo: Ribbon Cutting, January 23, 2019.

January Skill Build & Hi-Set Locations and Schedule

Offsite: See Details Below

Skill Builder and Hi-Set

Enrollment



January 6-9	Literacy KC 3036 Troost Avenue, Kansas City, MO	9am – 12noon or 5:30pm – 8:30pm
January 20-23	Maywood Baptist Church 10505 E. Winner Road, Independence, MO	9am – 12noon
January 13-16	Truman High School 3301 S Noland Road, Independence, MO	6pm – 9pm
January 13-16	Salvation Army 14700 E Truman Road, Independence, MO	9am – 12noon

Thursdays, January 23 & 30

Onsite: Hocker Heights Computer Center 1pm – 4pm

Drafting and Drawing

Prerequisite for CAD/Revit



Drafting & Drawing begins January 23 & 30, 1pm to 4pm. This is a prerequisite and required for CAD/Revit. Pre-register with Ann Benson at 816-836-9200 ext. 348. Must have 2+ years experience using MS Word, mouse, and keyboard. Prepares residents for CAD certificate or Associates Degree at MCC campus (this is not an entry-level course).

CAD/Revit Sessions begin February 13, 20, and 27. Computer center reserved for course work Tuesday and Thursday, 1pm to 4pm. CAD/Revit Sessions are held quarterly with hands on training. Each quarter brings new skill set to CAD/Revit. **Class size is limited.** Pre-register for class with Ann Benson 816-836-9200 ext. 348.

Monday thru Friday, 3:30pm to 5:30pm, Starts January 13

Onsite: Hocker Heights Community Center

Success Link Outreach

THRIVE After School Childcare

Thrive After School Childcare program is now FREE and open to all children from pre-K through the 12th grade. **Monday to Friday 3:30pm to 5:30pm at Hocker Heights Community Center.** Must be a resident of Hocker or Pleasant Heights. **REGISTRATION REQUIRED.** Applications at Hocker Office. Parents/supervisor must enroll children for the new year! Contact Mr. Hines 816-933-8891. **Parent must sign out participants! If a child walks out of building voluntarily, child cannot re-enter building.**

JOB PLUS LEADERSHIP TEAM

JOBS PLUS – HOCKER HEIGHTS PROGRAM

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Shawn Driscoll, Community Coach

JOBS PLUS – PLEASANT HEIGHTS PROGRAM

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Cree Harvey, Community Coach



Santa, accompanied by one of his elves, brought smiles and joy to the Jobs Plus Office!

Jobs Plus offices are closed every Friday. Appointments only.