



Build Independence

Jobs Plus Newsletter

Hocker Heights & Pleasant Heights Residents



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EMPLOYMENT GOALS

SUMMER MEALS PROGRAM CELEBRATION



Success Links KC celebrated last day of summer meals program with backpacks for school-aged children Friday, August 12 at Hocker Heights location. Parent/legal guardian of school-aged children Kindergarten - 12th grade received a summer meal and backpack to prepare for the first day of school. Over 100 backpacks were distributed to families by Mrs. Christina Hines SuccessLinks KC Program Director and staff. Summer Meals is a USDA program which requires a hands-on activity after meal service held Monday through Friday. SuccessLinks KC program will be returning in September. Announcement will be provided to Hocker and Pleasant Heights families. Watch for flyers!

CACU

Community America Credit Union will be onsite at **Hocker - September 21 & Pleasant Heights September 28** to assist residents with opening a checking account/savings account and creating a monthly budget. No hidden fees with a checking/savings account. Need a car loan? Stop by CACU locations and apply in-person for a car loan. Review your credit score with CACU staff - services are free! Apply for a home loan - CACU has mortgages to offer home buyers.

HiSET ENROLLMENT

HiSET evening courses began Monday, August 22, 2022 at 5 p.m. Hocker Heights Jobs Plus computer center is the host site for evening Hi-SET. Off-site locations for day-time and evening studies available. Orientation invitation and enrollment event **September 12 & 14th 6 p.m. Maywood Baptist Church 10505 E. Winner Road Independence, MO 64052.** If you cannot attend event, please call 816-313-5578 to schedule appointment for enrollment. Study at your own pace! Achieve a lifetime credential.

ERAP MONTHLY RENT & UTILITIES ASSISTANCE

(ERAP) Monetary assistance for Jackson County resident's delinquent in monthly rent or utilities. Financial assistance for rent, gas, sewer, and/or electric services. **ERAP** is a county program to assist families residing in Jackson County. Required documentation of delinquent bills, copies of pay stubs, SSI award letter, TANF letter, rental agreement, 2020 Income tax form or survivor benefits award letter. Contact **Community Services League (CSL) 816 254-4100** to request **ERAP program** application assistance. Apply for **ERAP online <https://www.jacksoncountyerap.org/>**

GARCIA FAMILY MEDICINE

Hocker & Pleasant Heights residents have medical treatment available with Garcia Medical Clinic. Garcia Family Medicine will make house calls. Accepts Medicaid and Medicare. If you do not have health insurance, there is a small fee for services. Any questions regarding health services **contact 816-427-5320.**

JOBS PLUS - MY FINANCIAL GOAL SURVEY WINNERS

August 2, 2022 Hocker & Pleasant Heights residents received and completed "My Personal Financial Goal" survey. Jobs Plus office received completed entries and two surveys were drawn. **Congratulations to: Crea H. and Vicki M. \$10.00 Quik Trip Gift Card.**

1st TIME HOME BUYERS WORKSHOP



Patricia Tuckness Brokerage Company, Arline Walker Real Estate and Fairway Lending Mortgage Company hosted 1st Time Home Buyers workshop for employed residents.

Attendees began learning the process of becoming a homeowner. Are you interested in home ownership? Contact Jobs Plus offices at Hocker 816-836-9200 ext. 348. & Pleasant Heights 816-836-9200 ext. 329. Next workshop will be scheduled in October.

MCPL MID-CONTINENT PUBLIC LIBRARY

Mid-Continent Public Library offers free computer courses: Getting to Know Your Computer, September 14th 2-3:00 pm. Tech Talk, October 19th, 2-3:00 pm. Reservation required for computer workshop. Call 816-252-0950. MCPL location: 317 West 24 Highway, Independence, MO 64050.

J.P.E.I.D. ENROLLMENT

Residents ages 18 to 61 may complete Jobs Plus assessment packet and enroll in Jobs Plus Earned Income Disregard (JPEID) and begin employment! Once you start earning income – your monthly rent will be set up at an “earned income” baseline by property manager. Save your “earned” income toward a bigger goal --- new car or purchase a home! Jobs Plus JPEID program will end December 31, 2022. **Contact Jobs Plus office 816-836-9200 ext. 348 to enroll in JPEID.**

MUSTARD SEED VOUCHERS

Mustard Seed Thrift Store offers winter clothing voucher - one per family at Hocker & Pleasant Heights. Mustard Seed is located at 401 N. Liberty, Independence, MO 64050. Voucher is redeemed Thursday, Friday or Saturday from noon 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Contact Jobs Plus offices: Hocker 816-836-9200 ext. 348. Pleasant Heights 816-836-9200 ext. 329 for winter clothing voucher.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES – GET HIRED TODAY

Now Hiring: Hallmark Ice Rink attendant \$15.50 hourly wage; (Geodis) Seasonal Warehouse Material Handler \$17-17.50 hourly wage; ONIN Staffing General Labor \$15.00; Hallmark Truck Loader - All Shifts \$17-20.00 & \$500 sign on bonus; Security Shift Supervisor - Cave site. Hourly wage \$16.50; CVS Warehouse Stocker up to \$18.75 Full-time/Part-time Monday-Friday; Bob Sight Independence KIA Automotive Detailer \$16.50 per hour; Menards Part-time Cashier & Front-end team \$16.00. **Contact Kevin Orange Hocker 816-836-9200 ext. 347 Pleasant 816-836-9200 ext. 329 for assistance.**

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