



ANNIVERSARY DATES

JUNE

- Michelle Cornett 10yrs

JULY

- Chrystal Back 7 yrs
- Laura Fugate 19 yrs
- Dennis Gullely 12 yrs
- Kristy Lewis 8 yrs
- Vicki Williams 4 yrs
- Anthony Wilson 33 yrs

AUGUST

- Rebecca Allen 5yrs
- Christina Back 2 yrs
- Darlene Cantrell 23 yrs
- Lisa Doolin 3 yrs
- Linda Elam 18 yrs
- Michelle Estep 2 yrs
- Brandi Faulkner 2 yrs
- Rachal Faulkner 2 yrs
- Virginia Goldie 9 yrs
- Kay Hammonds 19 yrs
- Rhonda Havens 2 yrs
- Debbie Helton 31 yrs
- Donna Hendrix 2 yrs
- Kim Herolaga 2 yrs
- Cindy Hurt 3 yrs
- Teresa Ison 13 yrs
- Kathy Jackson 2 yrs
- Brittany Keeton 2 yrs
- Pam Lisle 2 yrs
- Della McClain 10 yrs
- Ashley McVey 2 yrs
- Heather Montgomery 2 yrs
- Lisa Ousley 11 yrs
- Hester Peters 19 yrs
- Kelly Phipps 4 yrs
- Betty Purvis 2 yrs
- Sandra Roberson 28 yrs
- Martina Roe 13 yrs
- Norman Rowe 18 yrs
- Conchita Stockton 3 yrs
- Cindy Wells 2 yrs
- Stacy Whitaker 15 yrs
- Kathy Whitt 19 yrs
- Jennifer Willoughby 1 yr
- Regina Yerian 23 yrs

SEPTEMBER

- Tamera Bald 2 yrs
- Amanda Branham 2 yrs
- Margaret Elam 1 yr
- Charlene Engle 24 yrs
- Marnie Gamble 5 yrs
- Sandra Gunder 1 yr
- Sandra Keeton 31 yrs
- Kim Plank 13 yrs
- Elizabeth Rawlins 1 yr
- Lori Sorrell 6 yrs
- Tiffany Taul 2 yrs

Gateway: Making The News

OCTOBER 2014

A Note from the Executive Director's Office

As the weather cools and the foliage delights us with beauty beyond that which could be captured on a painter's easel, Gateway is immersed in our usual hustle and bustle of daily activity. We are anxiously looking forward to our agency wide gathering in December where staff will have the opportunity to learn more about the wonderful world of community action, and as a group, take pride in our rich and illustrious history. We are very fortunate to work in an arena that promotes community growth, empowers citizens, and cultivates positive outcomes through a broad range of services. As we near the end of 2014, let us all take a moment to reflect on our accomplishments while looking to 2015 with an eye toward continued excellence.

I wish all a safe and happy holiday season,
Charlene Engle



Head Start Celebrates 50 Years!

For fifty years Head Start has been the premier model for providing the whole child an opportunity for success in school and in life. Since the summer of 1965, more than 31 million children have benefitted from Head Start's comprehensive services.

The National Head Start Association has organized eleven months of celebrations, beginning with a rally on the grounds of the Capitol in Washington, DC and ending with a White House Rose Garden commemoration.

On Wednesday, September 17th, we joined the celebration to show our support for Head Start by wearing Red, White and Blue. Pictured below are from left to right: Wrigley AM and Wrigley PM.



Healthy Marriage & Responsible Fatherhood Days in DC

Three of Gateway's HMRF staff, Debbie VanNorman, Brenda Kendrick, and Zach Engle, spent August 25th – 28th at the Annual Program Conference. This year's conference was entitled "Going the Distance, Charting New Horizons." It was a very fitting theme as it encompassed a look back on our past three years and achievements, while looking prospectively to our fourth year.

The HMRF programs were slated to end September 29th of this year, but were granted a one year extension. The Office of Family Assistance thought this a wise move since the programs are highly effective and another year would help to solidify all the hard work that has been put into program design and operation.

Debbie, Brenda, and Zach enjoyed several new features of this year's conference including a Media Wall and Twitter forums, as well as special speakers and outstanding workshops. Consistent themes in meetings included moving to new work force initiatives and Social Enterprise (where nonprofits operate a business to provide career pathways for clients they serve and at the same time boost the organization's financial health.)

The evening schedule allowed the participants to enjoy the history and sites of our nation's capital. Gateway's participation was a wonderful opportunity and we are already using the information and tools we received to move our Fatherhood and Healthy Marriage Programs forward into an even greater fourth year!

On October 1st commodities were distributed to Menifee County seniors. We had a wonderful group of volunteers to help with putting food boxes together, getting people signed in, and carrying the boxes to the vehicles. Pictured are Jessica Gevedon (Menifee County Outreach), Conchita Stockton (Montgomery County Outreach), Andrew Woods (MSU Practicum Student), Elizabeth Manns, Peggy Benson, Juanita Crain, and Deborah Welch.



Company Shredding Day!

Thanks to staff that assisted in our storage unit clean up.



We appreciate the hard work that went into getting rid of old files so we could make room for new ones!

The Montgomery County Outreach office was relocated on October 2nd. CSBG Staff, Norman Rowe, Stacy Whitaker, Justin Wells, Amy Wasson, and the inmates from the Montgomery County jail were involved in the moved. CSBG Staff would like to thank everyone for all their help. Pictured are Tiffany Taul (Bath/Rowan Outreach), Barbara Razor (LIHEAP Intake Bath County), Amy Wasson (Montgomery County Volunteer).



Weatherization Works!!

The Weatherization Assistance Program reduces energy for low-income families: the elderly, the disabled, and children. Through the installation of energy efficient measures, we ensure their health and safety. Low-income families typically spend 14.4% of their total income on energy vs. 3.3% for other households. Weatherization saves each family \$437 in heating and cooling costs every year at current prices. Weatherizing these homes reduces the energy costs for families who are often forced to choose between heat and other necessities. We work in all types of homes: single family, multi-family, and mobile homes. We make it warmer in the winter and cooler in the summer!

Weatherization reduces residential and power plant emissions of carbon dioxide by 2.65 metric ton/year per home. Energy savings average 35% of consumption for the typical low-income home owner. For every \$1.00 invested, \$1.80 is returned in reduced energy bills. Weatherization requires skilled workers to carry out the program, putting people back to work. These are "green jobs"- jobs that reduce total energy use and environmental impact on the planet. These jobs cannot be exported. Since 1976, men and women have been making Weatherization Work! So far, over 7 million homes have been served by the Weatherization Program. On a national level, 38.6 million homes are eligible for it.

Governor Steve Beshear has issued a proclamation declaring October 30, 2014, as Weatherization Day in Kentucky. This has been done in recognition of the work the program does to improve housing stock, lower energy consumption, and reduce heating bills for low-income Kentuckians.



Kentucky Career Center JobSight

On September 15th Kentucky Career Center JobSight staff hosted a Job Fair in Menifee County at the Clark Energy Community Room for Smallwood's IGA. A total of 30 applicants turned out for the Job Fair.



On October 7th Kentucky Career Center JobSight staff assisted Air Evac Lifeteam in hosting a Community Forum in Frenchburg to discuss services of the flight team. Flights usually range from \$25,000 to \$40,000. As an Air Med Care Network member, there are no out of pocket expenses for services whether you have insurance or not.

KCC staff were available for anyone interested in sales representative positions. For more information contact AirMedCare Sherrie Chapman, Membership Sales Manager SHERRIE.CHAPMAN@AMGH.US www.airmedcarenetwork.com



kynect

kynect now has a full time kynector IPA in Montgomery County, Sheila Mullins. Sheila will work until the first of April taking applications and answering questions regarding the Affordable Care Act. Open enrollment for insurance plans begins November 15th. For more information or to schedule an appointment contact your local kynector IPA in:

Bath & Rowan Counties: Kim Plank, 606-207-2404

Menifee & Morgan Counties: Schelena Smith, 606-495-8541

Montgomery County: Sheila Mullins, 606-359-1040



UPCOMING EVENTS











- ◇ October 13th-30th-Open Enrollment for Kentucky Employees Health Plan
- ◇ October 21st-Menifee County Interagency meeting at the Public Library at 10:00
- ◇ October 30th-Job Fair at Clark Building in Menifee County from 1:00-6:00
- ◇ October 30th-Trick or Treat in Bath County
- ◇ October 31st-Trick or Treat in Menifee County
- ◇ October 31st –Trick or Treat in Montgomery County
- ◇ October 31st-Trick or Treat in Morgan County
- ◇ October 31st-Trick or Treat in Rowan County
- ◇ November 27th and 28th– Thanksgiving Holiday Observed
- ◇ December 2nd-Giving Tuesday (KY Gives)
- ◇ December 12th-Agency Holiday Event at Morehead Conference Center
- ◇ December 24th and 25th– Christmas Holiday Observed
- ◇ December 31st-January 1-New Years Holiday Observed

Watch the local newspapers and our Facebook page to remain informed of all upcoming events and agency news!

HAPPY HALLOWEEN



HALLOWEEN SAFETY TIPS FOR OUR KIDS

-  Inspect all candy before it is consumed.
-  Stay away from animals you don't know.
-  Trick or Treat only at well-lit houses.
-  Do not enter a stranger's home.
-  Drive carefully and be safe.
-  Travel in small groups and be accompanied by an adult.
-  Have emergency contact information attached to costumes and treat bags.
-  Carry coins for emergency calls.
-  Consider reflective tape or striping to costumes and treat bags.
-  Stay on sidewalks, use flashlights, and avoid crossing yards.



"Make Halloween a fun safe and happy time for your kids!!"



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