The Family Connection

May is Foster Care Appreciation Month: Please Help us Honor and Celebrate our Providers!

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Special points of interest:

- Come to an Info Session in May and earn a Grub Hub gift card!
- May is Foster Care Appreciation Month-Help show support by displaying a Turn the Town Blue flier!
- Congratulations to our 2023 Sticker
 Winner: Rose Lampereur!!!

Official Proclamation

By the County Executive Of Racine County, Wisconsin

Whereas: Foster care plays a crucial role in the lives of thousands of children and families in Racine County and across the nation, providing temporary homes for children who are unable to live with their birth families; and

WHEREAS, foster care providers and professionals work tirelessly to provide safe and loving homes for children and youth, while also supporting their emotional, physical, and developmental needs; and

WHEREAS, currently in Racine County, there are 160 children and youth in foster care who are being provided with safe, secure, and stable homes with compassionate and nurturing foster families; and

WHEREAS, Racine County has 65 foster families who have opened their hearts and homes to children; and

WHEREAS, this year's theme for Foster Care Month, 'Strengthening Minds. Uplifting Families.," highlights the critical importance of addressing the mental health needs of children and families in foster care, and recognizes the resilience and strength of those who have experienced trauma; and

WHEREAS, Racine County is committed to supporting and strengthening families in our community, and recognizes that foster care is an important part of that commitment;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Jonathan Delagrave, County Executive of Racine County, hereby proclaim the month of May 2023 as

"NATIONAL FOSTER CARE MONTH"

In the County of Racine and urge all residents to join us in recognizing the invaluable contributions of foster care providers and supporting the well-being of children and families in foster care.

Signed at the Courthouse this 1st day of May, 2023 at Racine, Wisconsin



Jonathan Delagrave Racine County Executive

Information Sessions

Racine County **Information Sessions**



Every 4th Wednesday Night of the Month

April 26, May 24, and June 28 5:30pm 1717 Taylor Ave. Racine, WI 53403 North Side Classroom D Let's Talk about Foster Care:

Racine County needs those interested in helping to them Home and become foster parents! Racine's ch need those who can step up to the plate and god to help them and their families heal and grow!

If you are interested in learning more about becoming foster parent and would like to attend an Information

Take a leap in the right direction and spring into becoming a foster parent! Come learn more about Racine County Foster Care!



Training Opportunities: Resilient Co-Parenting

These topic specific online classes are designed for parents or caregivers raising children together while living apart. A new topic every month! Register today at https://bit.ly/3ioqBJr

RESILIENT CO-PARENTING

A series of topic-specific classes for parents or caregivers raising children together while living apart.

Join us for any or all of the following sessions!

For more info:

Sarah Hawks

Family and Community Educator UW-Madison Division of Extension -Racine County 1072 Milwaukee Avenue Burlington, WI 53105

Phone (262) 767-2916 WI Relay 7-1-1 New Email Address – sarah.hawks@wisc.edu Web site https://racine.extension.wisc.edu/ Feb. 2nd: Families Fighting Fair

Mar 2nd: Successful Stepfamilies

April 6th: Navigate Difficult Conversations

May 4th: Parenting from a Distance

June 1st: Co-Parenting Teens

July 6th: Cope with Stress through Transition
Aug. 3rd: Help Children with Strong Emotions

Sept. 7th: Relationship Readiness

Oct. 5th: Self Compassion

Nov. 2nd: Mindful Money Practices

Dec. 7th: Forgiveness for Moving Forward

7:00-8:00 pm over Zoom
1st Thursday of each month
in 2023!

Scan code or use link to register!



https://bit.ly/3ioqBJr





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Training Opportunities: Triple P



May Triple P Events



Triple P teaches families with children 0-16 years of

age how to spend less time

battling challenging

behavior and more time

building close

relationships. You'll

develop positive parenting

skills to manage stress and

encourage healthy habits,

and that can mean more

good days for your family.

Raising Resilient Children

Time & Date: 12:00 pm – 1:30 pm, Tuesday, May 2nd, 2023

Location: Zoom

Supporting your Partner

Time & Date: 5:00 pm - 6:30 pm, Tuesday, May 2nd, 2023

Location: Zoom

Managing Fighting and Aggression

Time & Date: 10:00 am - 12:00 pm, Monday, May 8th, 2023

Location: Zoom

Hassel Free Shopping with Children

Time & Date: 11:30 am - 1:30 pm, Tuesday, May 9th, 2023

Location: Zoom

Dealing with Disobedience

Time & Date: 11:00 am - 1:00 pm, Thursday, May 11th, 2023

Location: Zoom

Developing Good Bedtime Routines

Time & Date: 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm, Tuesday, May 16th, 2023

Location: Zoom

Hassel Free Mealtimes

Time & Date: 11:00 am - 1:00 pm, Thursday, May 18th, 2023

Location: Zoom

The Power of Positive Parenting

Time & Date: 11:00 am - 12:30 pm, Tuesday, May 23rd, 2023

Location: Zoom

Raising Responsible Teenagers

Time & Date: 11:30 am - 1:00 pm, Thursday, May 25th, 2023

Location: Zoom

Raising Confident, Competent Children

Time & Date: 5:00 pm – 6:30 pm, Monday, May 29th, 2023

Location: Zoom

For more info:

Jackie Schommer, CHES

Pronouns: she/her/hers Program Manager – Community Health and Education Children's Wisconsin

Phone: 414-292-4204

childrenswi.org

Register online at childrenswi.org/triplep or scan QR code





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Training Opportunities: Strengthening Families





StrengtheningFamilies (5-17)

Join us for a FREE 11-week group to help parents improve their parenting skills in the areas of bonding, boundaries & monitoring. The program is for parents and their children, ages 5-17, and will be conducted weekly via Zoom or In-Person.

> Fridays, April 28 - July 7 (9-10:30am) or Mondays, May 1 - July 10 (1-2:30pm) or Mondays, May 1 - July 10 (3:30-5pm) or Tuesdays, May 2 - July 11 (5:30-7pm) or Wednesdays, May 3 - July 12 (11-12:30pm) or Thursdays, May 4 - July 13 (5:30-7pm)

Parents and their children will have the opportunity to develop positive communication, family organization, family bonding, conflict solutions and pro-social skills.





To sign-up contact Luci Arroyo: Referral Phone: (262) 945-8856 or larroyo@psqcip.com or

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0c4cafab2fa6f8c25-strengthening **Class dates are subject to change

For more info:

Luci Arroyo, M.S.E. **Professional Services** Group/ Community Impact **Programs** Director of Racine Programs Work Cell: (262) 945-8856

Check out Racine Theatre Guild's 85th Season!



For more info: https:// racinetheatre.org/

SPECIAL NEE RESOURCE F

Tuesday May 2, 2023 4:30-6:30PM

WATERFORD UNION HIGH SCHOOL. 100 FIELD DRIVE, DOOR 19, WATERFORD, WI

FREE ICE CREAM FOR CHILDREN (while supplies last) CHILD CARE FROM 4:30-5:30PM FREE TOTE BAG (while supplies last) CHANCE TO WIN A DOOR PRIZE FREE FOOD (while supplies last) RESOURCE INFO

Come learn about local disability services and connect with resources available to you and your family, such as financial resources, respite, recreational ideas, job training, education, living arrangements beyond the home, and more!



Sponsored by numerous School Districts in Racine County and ADRC

For more info:

Lori A Radtke, SSW ~Cooper, Waller, Winkler, Dyer, Lvons Center 248 Kendall Street, Burlington, WI 53105 (Cooper) 262-763-0180 Ext 2224 (Waller) 262-763-0185 (Dyer) 262-763-0220 ext 2226

(Lyons) 262-763-5380 Google Voice: (262) 955-8955 Email: LRadtke@basd.k12.wi.us

(Winkler) 262-539-2726

martes 2 de mayo, 2023 4:30-6:30PM

WATERFORD UNION HIGH SCHOOL.

100 FIELD DRIVE. PUERTA NUMERO 19. WATERFORD. WI

HELADOS GRATIS PARA LOS NINOS (HASTA AGOTAR EXISTENCIAS) CAMION DE BOMBEROS UNIDAD CANINA DE POLICIA CUIDADO DE NINOS DE 4:30-5:30PM INFORMACION DE RECURSOS OPORTUNIDAD DE GANAR UN PREMIO DE ENTRADA COMIDA GRATIS (HASTA AGOTAR EXISTENCIAS) BOLSA GRATUITA (HASTA AGOTAR EXISTENCIAS)

!Venga a informarse aprender sobre los servicios locales para discapacitados y a ponerse en contacto con recursos disponible para usted y su familia, como recursos economicos, relevo, ideas recreativas, entrenamiento laboral, educacion, arreglos de vida fuera del hogar, y mucho masl

Patrocinado por los diversas distritales escolares del condado de Racine y ADRC





Come Celebrate with Us!

Enjoy FREE food, music and arts & crafts!

Friday, May 5 | 4-6 p.m.

Dr. John Bryant Community Center - 601 Caron Butler Drive





Questions? Please call 262-636-9235







Health & Family Resource Fair Feria de Salud y Recursos de Familia

Saturday, May 20, 2023

Sabado, 20 de Mayo, 2023



11 a.m.-2 p.m. Racine Public Library 75 7TH St. Racine, WI



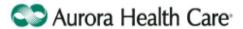
Come join us for resources for everyone in the family from 30+ organizations in the Racine community!

¡Únase a nosotros para obtener recursos para todos en la familia de 30 + organizaciones en la comunidad de Racine!





Created by AMCMP Community Outreach Created 2/21/2023 Revised DATE Post until 3/31/2023



Come Learn More about Racine Resource at the Library!



BROUGHT TO YOU BY



For more info contact:

262-939-7159

2711 19th St

Racine, WI 53405

LaToya R Thurmond, PhD **Executive Director**

Ithurmondunlimited@gmail.co

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Saturday, June 10th

10:00 am to 2:00 pm

Registration begins at 9:00 am

Gateway Technical College 1001 S. Main Street (1st Floor) Racine, Wisconsin

AGES 7-12

Must be

This free and interactive budgeting activity helps children learn to prioritize monthly spending through real-life scenarios. As children take on the role of their parents and parents take on the role of their child(ren) each family must work together to meet their monthly budget.

Each family has a unique experience as the children lead the families in prioritizing monthly spending which will include choices including:

- Rent
- College tuition
- Medical bills
- Dental bills
- Groceries
- Entertainment
- Cell phone bills
- And more!

As families visit each station to pay their monthly bill they will have the opportunity to learn more about your programs and services.



Would your business or organization like to get involved? We are seeking donations and additional vendors. Please contact us at (262) 456-7244 or info@asunlimitedsolutions.org to learn more today!

Register Here



GET READY FOR THE...

FOSTER YOUTH UW-SYSTEM DAY CAMP 2023

Camp Dates:

UW-Stout/River Falls/Eau Claire: June 14, 2023

UW-Milwaukee/Whitewater: June 21, 2023

UW-La Crosse/Platteville: June 27, 2023

Registration Deadline:

June 7, 2023

Scan this code to register a group!

or visit:

https://forms.office.com/r/y9TmQvxfBF

Scan this code to register individually!

or visit:

https://forms.office.com/r/dALfjr5s6s

For More Information:

Contact the Campus Coordinator for each campus found in the above registration form

For more info:

GAIL MENTZEL, ADVISOR

Fostering Success she/her/hers mentzelg@uwstout.edu office: 715-232-5253

University of Wisconsin-

Stout

307A Bowman Hall

Camp is for:

Students in Foster Care, Out-of-Home Care, or unaccompanied homeless youth in Grades 9-12

Camp is provided at NO cost!!

Feel free to sign up for multiple camp dates!



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For more info contact: https://rcoc.us/car-show

Community Day

Friends of Echo Lake and Dam Community Day at Echo Veterans Memorial Park June 25

10am to 4pm

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- Music Craft Show
 - . Food
- Silent Auction
- Community Informational Booths Fun For Everyone

Photographer

available to take

pictures by the Echo Lake

Dam

Friends of

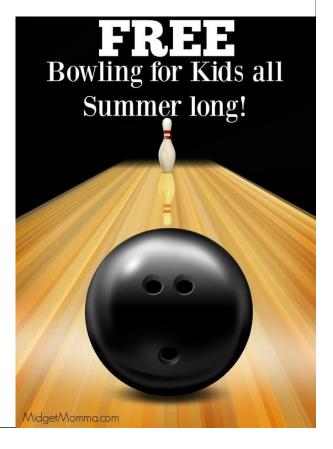
Join us on Facebook @Friends of Echo Lake and Dam Burlington, Wisconsin

For more information: https://www.facebook.com/ groups/2564698843664830/

The Kids Bowl Free Program is a great opportunity for kids ages 2-17 to get 2 free games of bowling a day during the summer. The Lanes in Racine is a participating alley, however, there are locations throughout the State that participate in the program. Attached is a link to the website where someone can sign up and get more information. A great resource to help keep kids busy doing something fun and positive.

www.kidsbowlfree.com

For More Info:
Www.kidsbowlfree.com



Who We Serve:

We build family-like systems around families experiencing:

- Hospitalization
- Illness or depression
- Unemployment
- Domestic violence
- Homelessness
- Alcohol/drug rehabilitation
- · Many other life situations

More Information:

- Safe Families is NOT foster care or adoption. It is a voluntary partnership focused on family preservation.
- We will do our best to connect you to caring and compassionate volunteers who will become family-like support systems.
- Volunteer families are extensively screened with background checks, a home screening, and references.

"Safe Families connected me with a lot of the relationships I have now. Through Safe Families, I've met an extended family. They supported me and my family, while we got back on our feet."
-Safe Families parent

Sate Families for Children

Connecting parents to a network of support through family-like relationships with volunteers



Safe Families for Children Circle of Support

- Family Friends: provide friendship and support to parents or host families through getting together, encouragement, mentorship, transportation, hot meals, etc.
- Family Coaches: walk alongside parents to help them reach their goals and support volunteers while in service.
- Host Families: are screened and approved by SFFC to host children for short periods of time (average length is 6 weeks, can range from 2 days to 1 year).



Call for support:

262-725-5199 ext. 1

Or visit:

https://safefamilies.org/get-help/



For more info contact: Amy Wolfe

Director of Development SFFC-Racine and Kenosha Cell: 262-757-3365 Office: 262-725-5199 ext.700

E-mail:
amywolfe@safefamilieswi.org

ENROLLING PATIENTS NOW CALL TODAY (262) 770-3110



The Blue Way

Dental Backpack Program



Provides FREE Dental Care Services to children and teens ages 5-18

Blue Door Dental cares about kids and their teeth.

Providing quality care in a caring way. The Blue Way!

Good Dental Health. A Lot to Smile About.

To learn more, call Dr. Debbie Reddick at Blue Door Dental (262) 770-3110



Funded by:



For More Info:
https://bluedoordental.com



For more info contact:

Shemayah Paige Facilitator and Community Outreach Coordinator 1717 Taylor Ave- Third Floor Racine, WI 53403 Office: 262-638-7797

Email: Shemayah.Paige@EquusW

orks.com

This informative and empowering workshop is designed to help job seekers with criminal backgrounds learn to address this barrier during all stages of the job search process.

Activities include:

- how to address the background question on an application
- discussing it effectively during an interview
- · creating a turnaround packet
- learning about available resources

Contact your Talent Development Specialist to be scheduled.



DATES, TIMES & LOCATIONS

1717 Taylor Street
Racine, WI
Classroom E
Sessions available by
Appointment
See your Case Manager to
schedule



This institution is an equal opportunity provider

REGION 1

KENOSHA COUNTY JOB CENTER 8600 Sheridan Rd Kenosha, WI 53143 262-697-4500

RACINE COUNTY WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT CENTER

1717 Taylor Ave Racine, WI 53403 262-638-6312

WALWORTH COUNTY JOB CENTER 400 County Rd H Elkhorn, WI 53121 262-741-5195

REGION 3

WAUKESHA COUNTY JOB CENTER 327 E Broadway Waukesha, WI 53186 262-695-7800

OZAUKEE NON PROFIT CENTER 2360 Dakota Dr, Grafton, WI 53024

262-376-5272 WASHINGTON COUNTY JOB CENTER

2200 Green Tree Rd West Bend, WI 53090 262-335-5300

WHAT IS FSET?

The FoodShare Employment and Training (FSET) program is a free program that helps FoodShare nembers build their job skills and find jobs. FSET will assess your strengths, needs and preferences to help you with getting a job.

https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/fset/

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https://www.usda.gov/sites/default/files/documents/USDA-OASCR%20P-Complaint-Form-0508-0002-508-11-28-17FazzMail.pdf, from any USDA office, by calling (866) 632-9992, or by writing a letter addressed to USDA. The letter must contain the complainant's name, address, telephone number, and a written description of the alleged discriminatory action in sufficient detail to inform the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights (ASCR) about the nature and date of an alleged civil rights violation. The completed AD-3027 form or letter must be submitted to USDA by:

mail:
U.S. Department of Agriculture
Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights
1400 Independence Avenue, SW
Washington, D.C. 20250-9410; or

fax: (833) 256-1665 or (202) 690-7442; or

email: Program.Intake@usda.gov

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Visit us at gamechangewi.org click on START NOW



For More Info:

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Email: Shemayah.Paige@Equus

Works.com

HOW TO ENROLL IN **FOODSHARE**

If you are not receiving FoodShare but think you might be eligible due to low income or unemployment there are several ways to find out:

You can apply online at the following

website: www.access.wisconsin.gov

or

You may talk to someone about eligibility and enrolling by calling: 888 - 794 - 5820 (Racine/Kenosha) or 888 - 446 -1239

(Waukesha, Ozaukee, Walworth & Washington Counties)

You can also apply in person or by mail. The phone numbers listed above can be used to find out more information about these application

HOW TO BE REFERRED TO FSET

DO YOU CURRENTLY RECEIVE FOODSHARE?

Contact the Equus office in the county you reside

You must apply and be approved for FoodShare prior to being referred to FSET.

Visit us at gamechangewi.org

SERVICES EQUUS **OFFERS**

JOB SKILLS TRAINING

- · Certified Nursing Assistant · Childcare Certification
- · Commercial Driver's License
- Community Based Residential Facility
- · Entry Level Construction
- Forklift Certification
- OSHA 10 (Occupational Safety Health Administration) Certification
- · CNC (computer numerical control)
- · And more

EDUCATION

- · English as a second language courses
- · LinkedIn Learning Learn business, creative and technology skills at your fingertips and
- by industry recognized professionals · GED/HSED (High School Equivalency
- Diploma) preparation & testing
- · The Academy over 4000+ career enhancement courses
- Training for over 100 workforce industries certificates of completion available for many

JOB READINESS & PLACEMENT SERVICES

- · Career Accelerate Workshop which creates and develops soft skills including professional communication, customer service and employer expectations
- · Fresh Start Workshop for Justice Involved
- · Resume Assistance
- Game Changers
- · Hiring Events & On Site Recruitments
- · Talent Market
- Work Experience / Internship
- · Career Pathways Explorer

MORE **SERVICES**

SUPPORTIVE SERVICES

We may be able to assist you with:

- · Clothing for Interviews
- · Transportation Help
- Clothing needed for Employment (Uniforms)
- Training Materials & Books
- · Course Registration Fees
- · And more

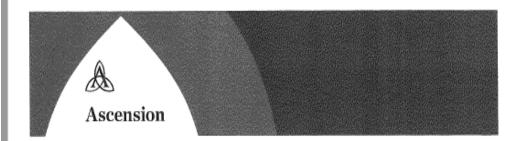
JOB RETENTION SERVICES

Transitional services may continue for up to 90 days after finding new employment. Examples

- · All Supportive Services as Listed Above
- · Reviewing Workplace Demands & Employer Expectations
- · Strategies to Stay Empowered
- · Crisis Resolution
- · Continued Education & Training as related to Employment
- · One-on-one with Job Developer







Greetings!

We are excited to announce that we have a new adolescent day treatment/partial hospitalization program for teens ages 13-17, Please see attached brochure.

- The Adolescent Day Treatment (ADT) program provides group treatment Monday through Friday from 8:00am - 2:00pm.
- Participants are encouraged to share their thoughts, feelings, and struggles and to learn healthy ways to successfully cope with life's stressors.
- · Family and Individual sessions are incorporated into the daily schedule.
- Treatment team includes: psychiatrist, nurse practitioner, registered nurse, occupational therapist and clinical therapist.

We also offer a 60 minute Dialectical Behavior Therapy Skills group for teens. During group sessions, teens have the opportunity to learn and practice skills that can help them deal effectively with daily emotional struggles.

This group offers education on DBT skills, such as:

- Emotion Regulation
- Distress Tolerance
- Interpersonal Effectiveness
- Mindfulness

If you have questions or would like more information, please feel free to contact us at 262-687-2222.

Thank you,

Mental Health and Addiction Care Team

For more info contact: 262-687-2222

FREE Early Head Start and Head Start!

Programs for Children 6 Weeks-5 Years Are Enrolling Now!

- K4 Available (must be 4 years old by September 1st to be eligible and registered with RUSD or Burlington School District)
- Full Day & Extended Day (CCA required)
- Year- Round Programs
- Our Trained Staff Will Help Get Your Child Ready for Kindergarten

NOW HIRING! Go to www.acelero.net/careers

Grand Avenue

3 Years Old to 5 Years Old

1032 Grand Avenue, Racine WI 53403 (262) 456-2054

Green Street

6 Weeks Old to 5 Years Old

1923 Green Street, Racine WI 53402 (262) 456-0014

Some Documents are Required:

- I. Immunization Record
- 2. Medical Card
- One of the following: W-2 Statement-OR-SSI/SSA Award Letter-OR- most recent tax return-OR-paystubs showing year-to-date totals
- 4. Most recent physical, dental and lead exam reports
- 5. Proof of Child Care Authorization (if applicable)







Burlington-Waller Elementary

195 Gardner Avenue, Burlington WI 53105

3 Years Old to 5 Years Old

6 Weeks Old to 5 Years Old

1220 Mound Avenue, Racine WI 53404

Next Generation Now

(262) 289-0940

(262) 635-1920

Use this QR code to enroll

Or use this link to enroll: https://familyapplication.shineinsight.com/acelen



Head Start for the Best Start

For more information about Acelero Learning Head Start Programs, visit www.acelero.net

For more info contact:

Lori

McLaughlin | Executive Assistant to Family Services and Health | Acelero Learning Wisconsin | Walton Center 7833 W. Capitol Drive, Milwaukee WI 53222 | C: (262) 221.6621 | E: lfritz@acelero.n

et | Website: www.acelero.net

BEGINNING 1/4/23 BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES OF RACINE COUNTY **GRIEF** SUPPORT **GROUP** For those that lost a loved one from a violent crime, accident or overdose EMOTIONAL, MENTAL AND SPIRITUAL SUPPORT TO RACINE COUNTY RESIDENTS 1717 Taylor Avenue, South Entrance Racine, WI 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month 5:00pm to 6:00pm Adults - 18 or older

For more information contact:

Behavioral Health Services 262-638-6744



Racine Women's Resource Center

A Safe and confidential place for youth 10-18 to learn about healthy relationship skills, discuss challenges.

Group is FREE Please contact Ashley to register ahess@racinewrc.org 262.865.4791

> Tuesday's 5:00pm-7:00pm

For more information contact:

Ashley Hess Youth Specialist/ Safe Start Coordinator

PO Box 1764, Racine WI 53401

Business Phone:

262.633.3274 ext. 107 Cell: 262.865.4791 Text line: 262-221-0058 Fax: 262.633.5523

Crisis Line: 262.633.3233

Foster Care Hero Quarter 2, 2023: Racine Moose Lodge

Foster Parent Hero Quarter 2, 2023: Racine County Moose Lodge #437/ Chapter #631

Spring has sprung and with it, a renewed sense of purpose and growth! However, spring doesn't have to come for this foster hero to display those attributes. This organization exists to have purpose and provide growth within their community. This quarter we give a very many thanks to the Racine County Moose Lodge #437/Chapter #631 as during their Mid-Year Conference, they choose us, Racine County Foster Care, to support! They donated a total of \$3,900, a \$3,200 check to our organization, as well as, \$700 in gift cards, smoke and carbon monoxide detectors, fire extinguishers, diapers and wipes and other household items to support our relative caregivers and finally, donated over 30 pre-made Easter Baskets and the remaining basket supplies so children in care could be visited by the Bunny!

Their generous donation helped us achieve our goal of providing our relatives with the additional support they need, as well as, children in care the opportunity to celebrate Easter, which is a first for us!

If interested in learning what more you can do to either support our providers and/or become a foster parent?

Contact Jessica Scheeler: jessica scheeler@psica scheeler@psica scheeler@pracinecounty.com or 262-638-6595 for more information. Or attend an Information Session on either April 26th, May 24th or June 28th at 5:30pm at 1717 Taylor Ave.





"We need to share responsibility. It's easy to say, 'It's not my child, not my community, not my problem.' Then there are those who see the need and respond.

I consider those people my heroes." - Fred Rogers

Yum Yum for Your Tum Tum: Avocado Crab Boats

Ingredients

- 5 medium ripe avocados, peeled and halved
- 1/2 cup mayonnaise
- 2 tablespoons lemon juice
- 2 cans (6 ounces each) lump crabmeat, drained
- 4 tablespoons chopped fresh cilantro, divided
- 2 tablespoons minced chives
- 1 serrano pepper, seeded and minced
- 1 tablespoon capers, drained
- 1/4 teaspoon pepper
- 1 cup shredded pepper jack cheese
- 1/2 teaspoon paprika
- · Lemon wedges

Directions

1. Preheat broiler. Place 2 avocado halves

in a large bowl; mash lightly with a fork. Add mayonnaise and lemon juice; mix until well blended. Stir in crab, 3 tablespoons cilantro, chives, serrano pepper, capers and pepper. Spoon into remaining avocado halves.

 Transfer to a 15x10x1-in. baking pan. Sprinkle with cheese and paprika. Broil 4-5 in. from heat until cheese is melted, 3-5 minutes. Sprinkle with remaining cilantro; serve with lemon wedges.



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youth-and-family/
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https:// www.facebook.com/ racinecountyfostercare/ Racine County Foster Care Unit is a team comprised of dedicated staff ensuring the safety and stability of children placed in out of home care. As well as, educating the community on the need for foster providers and what the foster care program is, our staff is also responsible for screening, interviewing and licensing all our prospective foster home. Additionally, the Racine County Foster Care unit is responsible for maintaining exceptional customer service with our families, to ensure all needs are being met, by providing support to our homes to ensure they succeed. The Unit is also responsible for placement of all children who enter out of home care. We are the family connection.

We Need You! May is Foster Care Appreciation Month: Help us Turn the Town Blue!

May is Foster Care Appreciation Month and you can help show your support by displaying one of our Turn the Town Blue fliers!

Available digitally and physically, please contact Jessica Scheeler for Turn the Town Blue media!

Additionally, you can support foster parents during this month in a variety of ways:

- 1. Like our Facebook page and share the information with your networks Talking about foster care, helps foster care.
- 2. Host a Foster Parent Night, offering specials to our foster providers.
- 3. Allow Foster Care Staff to come speak about foster care to your staff.
- 4. Invite Foster Care staff to participate in events to assist with recruitment efforts
- 5. If you are part of a group or organization, allow Foster Care staff to speak at a meeting or gathering.
- 6. Get on our community email list and receive our monthly newsletter. You are allowed to have free ad space for your company and promote if you make the newsletter available to your staff and/or patrons at your company.
- 7. Have a staff fundraiser, make it fun and raise money to donate to Foster Care.
- 8. Post Foster Care fliers and/or posters in your establishment or workspace showing you support us.
- Become a respite provider and offer breaks to our families.
- 10. Become a foster parent.

As always, you are continually invited to attend an upcoming Info Session to learn more, join us May 24th at 5:30pm!

Contact Jess to register: 262-638-6595 or jessica.scheeler@racinecounty.com



