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Mission Statement:

We believe that all people are entitled to respect, dignity, independence, community integration and the opportunity to make choices in their own future.



CEO Washington presents its 4th annual Breakfast with the Easter Bunny

DATE/TIME: Saturday 3/16/24 from 10:00am -12:30pm LOCATION: 59027 Van Dyke Ave. Washington Twp. MI 48094 (586) 935-1500

Tickets must be purchased in advance by 3-8-2024 ***Cost \$8 per person ***

A photo with Easter Bunny is included in ticket price. We will also have raffle tickets on sale for raffle baskets

Home staff or family members are required to remain with any persons Served attending this event. CEO staff will be hosting this event and unable to provide supervision.

Breakfast Menu: Pancakes, Sausage, Scramble Eggs Choice of Milk or Juice and Coffee ****There is limited seating so get your tickets soon***

All proceeds will go to providing community activities for all the persons served.

What's going on?

Spirit Wednesdays!

3/6/24: Comfy/Cozy Wear

3/13/24: Anything in Michigan Wear- Place, College, Sports team, product, etc.

3/20/24: St. Patrick's Day Wear

3/27/24: Superhero Day!



Home Placement Acknowledgment

CEO Anchorville- We wish to acknowledge all homes for the kindness and consideration you show every day for the persons served.

CEO Pontiac- We would like to acknowledge the Heard Family for their generous donation of personal care supplies for persons in need at CEO Pontiac.

CEO Washington- We wish to acknowledge all homes for the kindness and consideration you show every day for the persons served.

CEO Clinton Twp.- We wish to acknowledge all homes for the kindness and consideration you show every day for the persons served.

CEO Westland- Thank you to Mrs. Sidhu for ensuring that her daughter has great attendance and for being thoughtful to our staff.

Program News:

Anchorville: Please call the building to notify management of absences, please do not wait for the van to arrive to notify the driver. Please make sure they have extra clothing in their bag for any accidents...CEO does not have clothes on hand.

Clinton Twp: With the weather changing, please make sure our persons served are dressed appropriately. **Fundraiser:** Snack store is open once a day to everyone to purchase goodies. Everything is currently .50 cents or \$1.00.

Pontiac: Please remember that if a Persons Served is exhibiting <u>ANY</u> symptoms of illness, they should stay home until they are symptom free. **Friday, 3/29/24- Burgers, tater tots, fruit cocktail, Beverage and Dessert... \$3.00 due by Monday, 3/25/24 Fundraiser:** Pop Bottle drive

Washington: Please help persons served be ready for transport pick up with appropriate dress: Coats, hats, gloves, scarves, boots, etc. A Birthday treat will be provided on the last Friday of the Month, to celebrate birthdays.

Westland: Please make sure that you and your persons served are wearing your mask when entering the building.

Attention All Transporters: Dropping off and/or picking up individuals

Please DO NOT leave your vehicle running unattended!

If you have other passengers in the vehicle that do not attend this facility, please give the front office a call and ask for someone to come out and assist the individual from your vehicle.

A staff member will come out with the attendance book for you to sign the individual in or out. Thank you for your cooperation.

Happy Birthday!



Happy Birthday to all Persons Served and Employees celebrating March Birthdays!

A big "Thank You" to our dedicated employees celebrating employment anniversaries in March:

Trent Leaver- 11 years Adam Michaeli- 10 years Bunny Flisnik- 8 years Stacy Wiers- 7 years Crystal Fuqua- 6 years Deborah Boik- 6 years Maria Coleman- 2 years

CEO Pontiac and CEO Washington Bottle Drives

- Do you have returnable bottles and cans you don't feel like returning? Please feel free to bring them in or call for a pick-up and both of these programs will be glad to take them off your hands.
- Proceeds will go to skill development activities at the Community Empowerment Center and in the greater community, classroom supplies, art supplies, as well as treats for upcoming holiday parties.

For more information, please don't hesitate to contact the program you wish to donate your bottles/cans to.....

Pontiac- (248) 858-7847 Washington- (586) 935-1500

Thank you for your support!!!!!!



"Wishing you a rainbow, For sunlight after showers— Miles and miles of Irish smiles, For golden happy hours— Shamrocks at your doorway, For luck and laughter too, And a host of friends that never ends, Each day your whole life through"

Individual Served Achievements

Anchorville:

- Stacey S. for working hard at Meals on Wheels and always enjoying volunteering.
- Greg N. for teaching sign language to peers and staff.
- Elaine B. for working hard at 7-11.
- Frank M. for always working hard at CEO.

Clinton Twp:

- Sean C. – increasing time here and getting back into the community with your friends!

- Sue Lynn P.- Great job increasing your community inclusion!

- Michael M. and Michael M. - Great job decorating our building for the Holidays.

Pontiac:

- Marko V. for great job helping out with daily cleaning.

- Matt M. for trying new tasks

Washington:

- William F.- Amazing Helper
- Thomas G.- Very friendly towards peers
- William G.- Awesome Sense of Humor
- Paul G.- Amazing Smile

Westland:

- Andy for improving his attendance.
- Kimiah for having a positive week.
- Darris for helping in the classroom.
- Danny for being our hall monitor.



Now Hiring: Direct Support Professionals Accepting applications at all CEO Empowerment Centers

Creative Empowerment Opportunities is seeking competent and caring staff, to provide services for adults with intellectual and physical disabilities as well as those with mental illness in a community empowerment center. Instructors may work in the facility, instruct in classroom settings (teaching daily living skills etc.), in the community or job coaching. The job duties do include all aspects of direct care, transporting people in large vans, daily data collection and documentation and assigned cleaning duties. *If you are a group home staff, that would like to pick up some extra hours on your day off, or if you are a family member or friend who knows of somebody looking for work, then feel free to apply! What a wonderful opportunity to make a difference in someone's life!*

For more information regarding employment with CEO, you may call any of the CEO Empowerment Centers at the numbers listed in the newsletter, or you can contact Stephanie Hess, Training Supervisor at 586-569-4250 or email her at stephanie.hess@creativeemployment.net

Week of Wellness

What is wellness?

Wellness is the state of being in good health, especially as an actively pursued goal.

Monday:

Listen to your favorite albums from past decades.

Tuesday:

Plant a flower or purchase a succulent.

Wednesday:

Write down a childhood memory in a journal or email.

Thursday:

Call a friend or family member to check in.

Friday: Take a walk on a new path.