

WINTER 2021 ISSUE

DISTRICT 4 HRDC

HiSET Test Schedule

Havre:

March 9th, 23rd April 13th, 27th

Ft. Belknap:

March 19th April 16th

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Career Opportunities

Extended Care Aide

Wage: \$13.31/hr

Closing Date: March 9th

EHS Teacher Assistant

Wage: \$13.31/hr

Closing Date: March 9th

Pathways Client Advocate

Wage: \$13.90/hr

Closing Date: March 10th

For more information visit www.hrdc4.org

Quarterly Newsletter



Adult Education Program Going Strong Despite Pandemic

The COVID-19 Pandemic created new challenges for the Adult Education Program, but that did not stop the hardworking and dedicated clients from working toward their goals. 40 individuals obtained their High School Equivalency Diploma in 2020.

Clients have been able to come into the ABLE Classroom and continue their work through the use of masks, social distancing, and added sanitization measures. Online options are also available for those who are unable to visit the classroom.

For more information about the Adult Education Program at HRDC please contact Dan Koffler at 265-6743 x1197 or email kofflerd@hrdc4.org.

Employment and Training Program Update

The WIOA youth program is accepting applications for enrollment.

Employment and Training is looking to schedule financial literacy and skill workshops in the near future and they are excited to be able to offer this service

Weatherization Program Keeps Families Warm Despite COVID-19 Setbacks

The Weatherization Program has faced numerous challenges this past year due to the Covid-19 Pandemic. From March 2020 - October 2020, the Weatherization Program state wide was not able to go into homes and perform weatherization measures.

Since October 2020, all weatherization work has continued for Hill, Blaine, and Liberty counties, exceptions are the Rocky Boy reservation, and the Fort Belknap reservation. Rocky Boy reservation was shut down to non-tribal members from June 2020 – January 2021, Weatherization has since resumed work on the Rocky Boy reservation.

Fort Belknap reservation is still facing lock down orders at this time.

Weatherization is very confident 2021 will bring brighter days, and all work will continue.

NMCDC Shows Resiliency through Pandemic

Northern Montana Child Development Center has faced many challenges due to COVID-19. However, with the guidance and support of the Office of Head Start, NMCDC has been able to continue to provide services to children and families. The Office of Head Start has approved the rollover of the 2020 COVID-19 CARES funds, a total of \$64,796, which will be used to continue to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic.

COVID-19 has forced a couple closures for NMCDC classrooms, but due to constant deep cleaning, temperature taking, and quick reaction to COVID-19 cases, NMCDC has been able to prevent wide spread infection within the program. Northern Montana Child Development Center is starting 2021 with optimism regarding the COVID-19 pandemic, and will continue to work diligently to prevent any exposure within the program.

Victim Services Raffle Raises Money for Victims of Violence

Victim Services held a raffle from November 2020-January 2021 to raise extra funds for victims of domestic and sexual violence. The drawing was held on January 26th and raised just under \$4000.

Luke Pratt won 1st place prize of 2 concert tickets to see Luke Combs in Billings in September 2021, 1 night hotel stay, gift certificate to Rib & Chop, and 4 passes to the Montana Zoo. Diane Oversen won the 2nd Place prize of an iPad, and the 3rd place prize of \$100 Havre Chamber Gift Certificate went to Sara Edgar.

Victim Services would like to thank Havre Ford, Lodestar Land and Home, Stockman Bank, and Amber Spring, MS, LCPC for sponsoring the raffle.

Food Bank Continues to Offer Famers to Families Boxes in 2021

In 2020 the Havre Community Food Bank handed out food boxes from the USDA's Farmers to Families program. There are no income requirements to receive these boxes and they contain fresh produce, dairy, and meat. The boxes are part of the Families First Coronavirus Response Act to assist families in need.

The Havre Community Food Bank will be handing out these boxes again in 2021. Dates will be announced soon.

Energy Program Funds Available

Big Flat Electric and Hill County Electric are again contributing funds to assist low-income households in meeting their energy needs. BFE and HCE households may qualify to receive assistance by submitting an application and mandatory documents at District 4 Human Resources Development Council (HRDC) in Havre.

Call 406-265-6743 for an application. Applications are processed first come, first served.



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