

**Fairmount Providers' Meeting**  
**Thursday, October 18, 2018**

**\*\*Many thanks to the Millvale Rec Center for hosting and providing lunch and for their ongoing commitment to the youth and families of our communities**

**....New Faces...**

- Bonita Wood JFS woodb@jfs.hamilton-co.org,
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There is a **new 8-page application for the PIP heating program** of the Community Action Commission (CAC) which must be filled out before one applies for the program. No subsites will be open, including the one at the Villages at Roll Hill community center, until December. **However there will be Super Saturdays at the CAC office, Nov. 3, Dec. 8, Jan.12, Feb. 9, and March 9 and 23. If you in line by 9 am you will be seen.**

**...Great Things Happen When We Work Together...**  
**...To Support Our Children and Families...**

- **MANY, MANY THANKS!** To all who brought candy for Lisa Hyde-Warren's Career Costume party at the Villages at Roll Hill Community center Wednesday, Oct. 24, from 3 to 5 pm. Instead of dressing as superheroes and ghosts, children are asked to research a career they are interested in and come dressed as that career.
- Sydney Battle of the Hamilton Country Public Health program is working to decrease infant mortality by working in neighborhoods to identify women who fall through the cracks. This will be done by neighborhood managers who will meet with and connect moms to available programming. Goal is to identify and help 788 pregnant women
- Girls' Life Skills program for girls 7 to 17 at the Villages at Roll Hill Community Center has begun for the year. Volunteers wrote inspiring words on wooden clothes pins and every meeting starts with reflecting on one of the words. Speaker at today's meeting will be a police officer who will talk about bullying, self-care, loving oneself, and making positive choices. The meet and greet between St. X big brothers and their parents and little brothers and their parents was Sun., Oct. 14. The first field trip will be Saturday, Oct. 27.
- Calling all ghosts, goblins, and witches—South Cumminsville Youth program will host its 16<sup>th</sup> annual Halloween party Wednesday, Oct. 31, from 6 to 8 pm in the community room at WIN. There will be plenty of candy and prizes for the best costumes.
- WIN and the South Cumminsville Community Council has offered a Holiday Toy Store where 250 + families with infants to age 16 can shop (with FREE MONEY) to select their own items. The event is scheduled for Saturday, Dec. 15, from 1 to 4 pm. However some places that had supplied toys in the past cannot do it this year. If you know anyone interested in organizing a holiday toy drive, contact Cozy Evans at 541-4109 ext.100 or email [cevans@wincincy.org](mailto:cevans@wincincy.org)
- Eneida Uehlin of LEAP Academy said the school is in need of volunteer tutors. Contact Eneida at [uehline@cpsboe.k12.oh.us](mailto:uehline@cpsboe.k12.oh.us)
- Paula Taul of willing Spirit Baptist church shared about the 2<sup>nd</sup> annual "It's a Great Time to be a Dad" event Sunday, Oct. 21, from 3 to 7 pm at the Cincinnati Reds Urban Youth Academy, 2026 E. Seymour Avenue. The event is sponsored by Health Care Access Now.
- Katherine McCormick, who manages the after school program at the Millvale Rec Center discussed struggles and progress in getting the program started.
- Volunteers are needed to help bag 1500 sacks for Childhood Food Solutions Wed., Oct. 24, beginning at 9:30 am at the Villages at Roll Hill Community Center.

**...To Increase Knowledge and Job Skills...**

- Bonita Wood of JFS will oversee the new program that provides comprehensive case management for persons ages 18 to 24 who are receiving aid and need to take classes or volunteer as part of receiving that. Case managers will work with individuals in the community to overcome obstacles to becoming employed. The program will collaborate with existing agencies to help participants become job ready. Melissa Stoklin, also of JFS will manage the workers at a neighborhood site still to be determined.

- Churee Brown of Cincinnati Union Bethel's (CUB) Head Start program at the Millvale Rec Center says they are working to get more families involved with the program. As they continue to work with their many partners they plan to offer a program with Dohn Community high school to help adults get their high school degree. The program will begin once enough are enrolled
- The adult literacy program through Cincinnati Public Schools is Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9 am to 1 pm at the Villages at Roll Hill Community center. The initial Job Readiness program was successful. Three out of 8 participants got jobs. The program is taught by Clarence Keller from Ohio Means Jobs.
- Ken Wilson of Cincinnati Works says the big job fair Oct. 2 was very successful. Employers had a chance to interview and hire and some participants joined Cincinnati Works to take advantage of the training and support it offers.

**...To Be Safe and Further Enhance the Quality of Life in our Neighborhoods...**

- Greer Aeschbuury of WIN said 40 residents attended the first meeting of the Beekman Coalition. They identified areas to work on and narrowed it down to 9 topics. They will vote to choose 2 or 3 areas to focus on when they meet in December
- Emma Shirey of the Community Building Institute of Xavier University says the step painting project has run into some glitches, but painting is expected to start soon.
- Jackie Pressley, an Americorps/Vista worker with creating healthy communities is looking for ideas for open street events in North and South Fairmount and English Woods. Contact her at [jocqueline.pressley@cincinnati.oh.gov](mailto:jocqueline.pressley@cincinnati.oh.gov) with ideas.
- Neighborhood officer Adrian Gibson reported that overall crime continues to be down. He also called attention to a drug disposal (no liquids please) event Saturday, Oct. 27 at District 3 Headquarters at 2300 Ferguson Road. A "Stuff the Cruiser" with pet food and supplies event will also be the same day at District 3 from 10am to 2 pm. Donated items will go to the SPCA.
- Tyla Ward Working in Neighborhoods (WIN) financial literacy program says the home maintenance programs are going well. The final one will be next Wednesday, Oct. 24, from 6 to 8 pm at the St. Leo Food Pantry Community space. Topic will be how to stay safe in your home

**November Fairmount Providers' Meeting  
Thursday, Nov. 15, 11:30 am to 1 pm  
Site to be Determined**