

JULY AUGUST SEPTEMBER 2020

Mission Statement

Dedicated to improving the lives of individuals and families in Davie, Stokes, Surry, and Yadkin Counties through a variety of programs and partnerships to build stronger communities."

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A YVEDDI Quarterly Newsletter Publication for Staff and Volunteers

Our journey amidst the COVID-19 Pandemic...

During the outbreak of the COVID-19 Pandemic, YVEDDI has continued to serve our communities with our employees and client's safety being our biggest concern.

We will continue to serve our communities on an alternate operations model, while maintaining social distancing, wearing face coverings and following the Pandemic Safety Guidelines.

I want to Thank all of you, for coming together under difficult circumstances to provide essential services for families, our seniors, our children, our veterans, and our neighbors.

With your continued support, we will get through this and overcome any difficult challenges of today, tomorrow and the future!

Kathy Payne, Executive Director



Weatherization Program

The Weatherization Program staff have been busy during the COVID-19. They have completed training with the State that included ASHARE 62.2 and Computerized Energy Audit.

The crew did Duct Blaster training, ASHARE Fan Installation, Wall Fan Installation, Air Sealing Live and Dead Chimneys, Radiant Barriers, Building Components, and House as a System. The crew also painted our building, built a shelter out front of the building, and made our back room into our new training room that consisted of a lot of work including putting in all the ceiling tiles, hanging sheetrock, painting, hanging lights, moving our mini split heating system, and hanging a TV.

Nikkie Hickman, Assistant Weatherization Director completed trainings with Santa Fe Community College. Some of the classes taken where Achieving Success with Difficult People, Stress Management, **Fundamentals** Supervision and Management Fundamentals of Supervision Management 2, Leadership, Keys to Effective Communication, Managing Subcontractors, Weatherization Budget Basics, Federal Statues, Regulations, and Grant Guidance, and Basic Employee Management for Weatherization Directors.

YVEDDI...your local Community Action Agency serving Davie, Stokes, Surry and Yadkin counties

July Ashley Freeman 7/2 7/5 Crystal Smoot-Dulin 7/6 Tom Beckom Michael McCollum 7/6 7/10 Crystal Ellis 7/10 Alan Moxley 7/13 Robert Freeman 7/15 Angela Honeycutt 7/17 Sheila Harris Rhonda Wrenn 7/21 Morgan Lang

7/23 Lisa Wall

7/25

August				
8/3	James Bonello			
8/7	Maritza Berrum			
8/12	Madison Wright			
8/15	Clara Urquiza			
8/16	Carol Marino			
8/17	Penny Bingman			
8/23	Maria Hernandez			
8/23	laisha Oliver			
8/24	Karl Allen			
8/24	Nikkie Hickman			
8/25	Malanie Poteat			
8/28	Elisha Harris			

May your Birthday and everyday be filled with smiles, laughter, love and cheer.

	September
9/7	Sammie Clement
9/14	Mavis Moore
9/15	Emily Mauck
9/16	Edward McDaniels
9/16	Glennadean Tenney
9/19	Zany Gray
9/20	Holly Felts
9/23	Paige Brewer
9/23	Darry Groce
9/23	Lisa Money
9/25	Tammy Pendleton
9/27	Yolanda Lytton
9/28	Lori Moore
9/29	Lynn Wall
9/30	Jeff Cockerham



Martha Jones

7/27 Cristina Alonzo

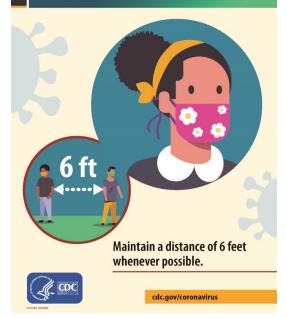
Promotions

Connie Mooney - DV/SA Coordinator (Surry)
Penny Bingman - DV/SA Coordinator (Stokes)
Madison Wright - DV/SA Director Assistant
Lindsay Huttar - Head Start FCP Coordinator

Welcome Aboard!

Kathy Chilton, DV/SA Advocate Emily Mauck, RSVP Manager Lynn Wall, Accounting Technician

Please wear a cloth face covering.

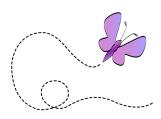


Length of Service

Kathy Cave (August)

20 Years
Lisa Money (July)
Lisa Martin (July)
Melanie Poteat (July)
25 Years
Linda Trivette (July)
35 Years

Kathy Payne (Sept.)



Melvin Miles taking advantage of the Little Free Library at L. H. Jones Family Resource Center



April 3, 2020 Yadkin County Senior Center

A BIG THANK YOU to Lucy Welch with the Yadkin River Quilters Guild.

She made masks for workers at Store House for JESUS, Soup Kitchens, Christian Ministries and the employees at Yadkin County Senior Center.

A Sincere Thanks from the Yadkin County Senior Center.



The Yadkin County Senior Center girls are still hard at work serving the senior community.

Kudo's to Lori Moore and Sherry Howard!

Lucy Welch made more masks for drivers for meals-on-wheels and any of the congregate participants that may need one.







Holiday Schedule

July 3rd Independence Day

September 7th Labor Day

Please submit your news-worthy articles and pictures to drutledge@yveddi.com

- Outstanding Achievements of an Employee
- Employee/Volunteer of the Month or Year
- Engagements/Weddings/Births
- Special Events
- Favorite Recipes
- Quotes/Jokes



August 21st: Senior Citizen's Day

September: Senior Center Month

April 16, 2020

Yadkin Valley Senior Center

This is some of our seniors practicing self distancing today!

That is what coffee and breakfast with friends looks like now.

Lined up in the parking lot, in your own personal space, talking to each other through the open windows.

Kudo's to Sandra Johnson, staff and volunteers!



Don Woods



High-Five, distance style



Ivan Orta and Zeke Robertson



We are doing things a little different but very thankful we can still serve others.



Chris Smith, Cassandra Long, and Karen Walser

Parking lot Breakfast Club!

Senior Centers and Nutrition Sites will remain closed to the public through at least July 31, 2020.

We will continue to deliver home-delivered meals on <u>Tuesdays</u> and offer curbside pick-up on **Thursdays**.

(for currently registered and currently active congregate participants)

We serve vulnerable people, and we believe it would be detrimental to open the centers and sites at this time.

Inequality Statement

YVEDDI is deeply disturbed by the recent racial injustice and violence. We have always stood for equal treatment, inclusion, mutual respect, and strive to empower people to lead more successful lives.

We are committed to doing our part to reduce inequality in our







April 2020 YVEDDI Senior Services

ServSafe training has been offered at no charge during the pandemic. The YVEDDI Senior Services team took advantage of this opportunity to expand their knowledge of food safety.

Everyone passed their exam with flying colors!

April 20, 2020 East Bend Senior Center

Mask made and provided by: Debra Stachnik

Thank You Debra!



April 21, 2020-East Bend Senior Center

Being creative during the COVID-19 Pandemic while practicing social distancing.

Parking lot BINGO!

BINGO was held at the East Bend Senior Center parking lot, that hosted 10 cars/participants at a time.

The seniors enjoy getting out, even if it was at a distance.

Kudo's to Rhonda Beavers and Aileen Davie-Cockerham (This story also featured in the NCCAA Newsletter)







June 12, 2020 - Yadkin County Senior Center

From an Anonymous Donor for our Seniors...Thank YOU!









Video link: https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=4237912862916339



We can assist qualifying families for:

- ✓ Nutrition for families
- ✓ Food for your pets
- ✓ Transportation
- ✓ Childcare
- Education and training
- ✓ Health care
- ✓ Employment
- Utilities



Example

from the Federal Government CARES Act to help meet your needs.

July 1, 2020-Sept. 30, 2022 or until funds have been exhausted

Example			
Number in Family	Federal Poverty Guide Effective July 1, 2020		
1	\$25,520.00		
2	\$34,480.00		
3	\$43,440.00		
4	\$52,400.00		
*Up to 8 in family and each additional 8840.00			

*Anyone applying must meet 200% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines

Call today for more information!

YVEDDI Community Service Program

Davie and Stokes County Residents

Ph. (336) 753-8205 ext. 314 (Thursday) Ph. (336) 593-2371 ext. 402 (Monday/Tuesday/Wed/Friday)

Surry and Yadkin County Residents

Ph. (336) 677-1033 (Monday) Ph. (336) 415-4248 (Tuesday-Friday)

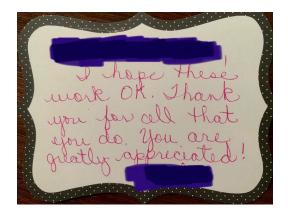
Or email: yveddicares.com

April 21, 2020 YVEDDI Senior Services

We received these in the mail from a family member of one of our home-bound clients.

She wanted to do something to give back. We are thankful for family members who appreciate what we do.

We are so blessed! Thank You!





April 23, 2020 Yadkin County Senior Center

Food Pick Up for Congregate Nutrition Participants... Getting the Job Done!









Thank you Cindy and <u>Eric Furr</u>! The masks and apron/bibs you made for us are so cute. That was such a thoughtful gesture. Our folks who picked up their meals today really appreciated the kindness











April 2020

YVEDDI Public Transportation

Staff working hard doing rigorous cleaning before and after every rider

YVEDDI Public Transportation is and will continue to put their rider's and driver's safety first.

KUDO's! Great Job!!!

















April 2020-Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP)

We would have normally hosted our annual volunteer recognition event in April but it had to be postpone it due to COVID-19. Even though celebrating you had to be been postponed, we want to give you a heartfelt thank you for all that you do.

For fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, 200 YVEDDI volunteers provided 20,563 hours of volunteer service. Our volunteers serve refreshments at blood drives, assist senior centers, deliver Meals on Wheels, shelve and distribute food at multiple food pantries, tutor children at school, help in libraries, and help to provide many other vital services to our communities.

During the pandemic, you continued to deliver and serve food, sew masks for staff and drivers, call home-bound seniors to check on them, work the food pantries, and provide many other vital services. You were our connection to our communities.

We are deeply grateful for your service. Thank you for your acts of selflessness. We salute you, today and every day.

CAAs & Social Determinants of Health: Teaching Teens How to Manage Money

This month's feature is <u>Yadkin Valley Economic Development District Inc</u>. In late January, they hosted a workshop called "Gettin' Ahead in a Just Gettin' by World for teens" that taught teenagers how to budget and save money, how to gain funding for college or skill training, and available community resources. It was designed to help teens learn the adult skills they need to succeed after they graduate from high school. Nine teens attended and were thrilled with all the information they learned. Thanks to NETworX at the United Methodist Church in Yadkinville, YVEDDI Domestic Violence/Sexual Assault Program, and BB&T Bank representatives for partnering with YVEDDI on this wonderful workshop.

Thank you for all you do, YVEDDI!

June 5, 2020

The Yadkin Valley Senior Center community garden is looking good!



June 11, 2020 Yadkin Valley Senior Center









Surry County Senior Center Community Garden



Karen Hiatt & granddaughter



Calvin Vaughn



Carolyn Gentry & Emily Mauck



May 1, 2020

Dear Front Line Heroes:

May 3^{rd} marks 60 days since the first COV-19 case was reported in North Carolina.

During this entire pandemic crisis, you and your colleagues have remained on the front lines. I am using this letter to allow us to reflect on that heroic effort. We are grateful for your dedicated service to your neighbors.

You remain a critical service and lifeline to those who need a meal delivered, a mother needing a dialysis treatment or getting key hospital workers to their shifts.

On behalf of our 90 transit systems and 55 business partners, I want to thank each of you for staying strong and committed to the task at hand.

Public transit remains strong because of YOU and public transit will lead North Carolina's economic comeback.

Sincerely,

David

David Rhew
Executive Director
North Carolina Public Transportation Association
director@nctransit.org



April 27, 2020 Surry County Senior Center

Parking Lot BINGO! Check out the prizes...





Heat Start

Johnson Extreme Softwash located in Mount Airy has went above and beyond. They decided to help out schools, public parks, churches and day cares by cleaning and sanitizing playgrounds free of charge. They cleaned both playgrounds here at the FRC on April 14, 2020 and did an amazing job. We are extremely grateful for their kindness and willingness to help local programs during the pandemic.









Protect your loved ones.

See your local health department or NC OUTREACH calling you? Please answer the call.



As a reminder while you complete your shopping online, YVEDDI is now an Amazon Smiles member!

This means that YVEDDI receives .5% of the money on all purchases you make on Amazon. This feature is absolutely free to you, because the .5% comes out of the price you are already paying for a product!

If you are already an Amazon shopper, simply go to smile.amazon.com, select "Yadkin Valley Economic Development District Inc." for organization, and begin shopping to give back.





Resource Reminder:

For your convenience, employees may access YVEDDI's Facebook page for news and events or policies and procedures at www.yveddi.com. Please consult your supervisor if you need a password for the website staff page.



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- Housing
- Senior Services
- Support Groups
- Volunteer Opportunities