Porterville TANF Office March Monthly Newsletter

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Learn tools and education on nutrition, physical activity, and parenting practices that help families make healthy changes

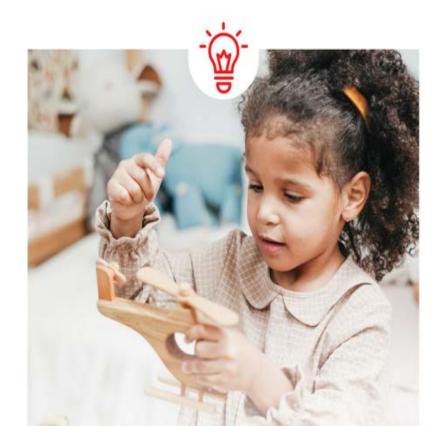
MARCH 6TH-JUNE 24, 2023

MINI FARMERS MARKET ON SATURDAY JUNE 24, 2023 RECOGNITIONS & INCENTIVES FOR FAMILIES WHO ATTEND 80% SESSIONS

6 week cooking classes: Thursday's 4-6pm via WebEx beginning March 16, 2023 4 week in person classes: Monday's- 5:30-6:30pm beginning March 6, 2023 Family Challenges, Storytelling, Teachable Moments and Staying Active

> Open to Cash Aid & Prevention families. Must pre-register to attend. Call and register with Linda or Amanda 559-791-9271

OVCDC Parterville 191 W. Paplar Ave, Parterville CA 93257



Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math

FAMILY UNITY S.T.E.A.M. ACTIVITY NIGHTS

NOW REGISTERING FOR FEB 13, 27 & MAR 6 4:30P ~ 6:00P

IN PERSON @ PORTERVILLE SITE AND VIRTUAL



To Register Contact: knunnelee@ovcdc.com, 559-738-8248 tmills-salazar@ovcdc.com, 559-791-9271



Learn tools & skills to help

you obtain employment



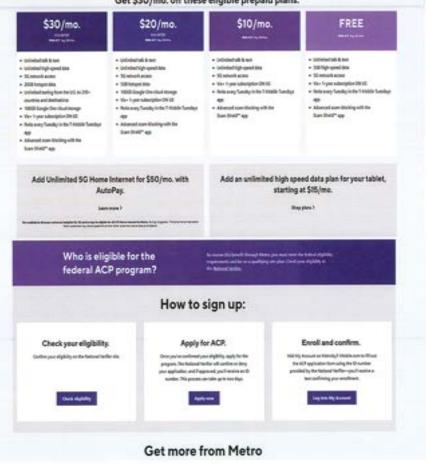
ENCOURAGING JOB PREPARATION THROUGH

3/8/23 SIDE HUSTLE/ENTREPRENEURSHIP PT2 3/22/23 HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS

> Cash Aid Adults Only Porterville OVCDC 191 W Poplar Ave. Porterville, CA 93257



Get \$30/mo. off these eligible prepaid plans:



Owens Valley Career Development Center Presents a Family Formation Event Addressing Family Violence & Abuse Classes NAFFA restores the vision of families by Uplifting & Encouraging & Assisting & Teaching Addressing Family Violence & Abuse has been created to offer a more in-depth and focused resource for families and communities facing this devastating problem. The classes defines domestic violence and abuse, identifies contributing factors, and provides ways to address and overcome the effects of abuse and much more. The program offers hope and healing to individuals caught in the cycle of abuse and violence. NAFFA's programs have strengthened families, restored self-worth to parents, and helped create safe and happy homes for children since 2002. Location of Training: Time & Date: Every Thursday from Virtual and In-Person 191 W. Poplar Ave. 10am-12pm starting March 2, 2023 Porterville, CA 93257 For more information contact:

Linda Serrato @ lserrato@ovcdc.com, 559-791-9271 Tracy Mills-Salazar @ tmills-salazar@ovcdc.com, 559-738-8248



Open to Porterville & Tule River Families



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- ALL MER'S MUST BE TURNED IN BY THE 10th OF EVERY MONTH.
- ALL CHILDCARE CHECKS ARE MAILED OUT EVERY FRIDAY.
- WHEN SUBMITTING PAPERWORK PLEASE CHECK FOR SIGNATURES & COMPLETED IN INK.
- REMEMBER TO ALWAYS TAPE RECEIPTS TO A PIECE OF PAPER AND WRITE YOUR NAME ON TOP OF EACH PAPER.
- SUPPORTIVE SERVICE REQUEST ARE TO BE SUMITTED BY WEDNESDAY AT NOON IN ORDER TO BE PROCESSED BY THURSDAY.
- PLEASE PROVIDE 24 HOUR NOTICE WHEN REQUESTING A
 BENEFIT SUMMARY OR ANY
- OTHER DOCUMENT FROM YOUR FILE.
- REMEMBER SELF STAMPED ENVELOPES CAN BE REQUESTED FOR PAPERWORK TO BE MAILED INTO THE OFFICE.
- IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO HAVE DIRECT DEPOSIT, ASK YOUR
 Family Advocate OR
- ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT FOR A PACKET, THIS WILL HELP IN GETTING YOUR PAYMENT FASTER WITH LESS HASSLE AND WAIT TIME.
- ALL FORMS ARE ON THE OVCDC WEBSITE AND CAN BE
 PRINTED FROM THERE.

2023 MER DUE DATES

	Jan. 10	July 10
	Feb. 10	Aug. 10
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7 8 9 10 13 14 15 10 16 17 20 21 22 23 24 25 14 27 28	April 10	Oct. 10
27 28	May 10	Nov. 10
	June 9	Dec. 8

OVCDC has reopened it's office's in Tulare County on March 16th, 2022 and will remain opened until further notice. Cash-Aid participants can continue to drop off documents in the drop box located at the front of the building. If you need further assistance please call the office at (559) 791-9271

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Owens Valley Career Development Center will be closing at noon on following date March 3, 2023 KINGS TULARE HOMELESS ALLIANCE

LOCAL INITIATIVES NAVIGATION CENTER

EVERY OTHER WEDNESDSAY PORTERVILLE WELCOME CENTER (140 S C STREET, PORTERVILLE) 9:30AM-12:00PM

Services available for people experiencing homelessness:

Housing Assistance Veteran Services Mental Health Services Social Security Advocacy ID Vouchers Alcohol/Drug Services

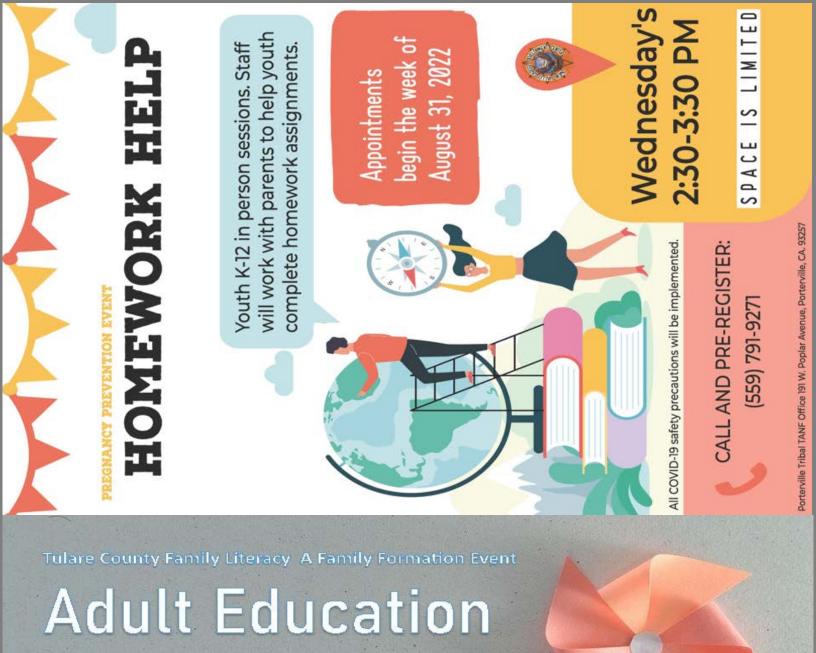
EVERY FRIDAY 12:00 - 1:00

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Please check in at the front desk! Mask Required

Adult Class Justice Center Rm 138 lunch will be provided WOMEN EMPOWERING WOMEN MOTIVATIONAL TECHNIQUES CULTURAL ACTIVITIES WELLBRIETY SPIRITUALITY LIFE SKILLS HEALING

Sponsored By Tribal Opioid Response Grant Contact us for more info at (559) 791-2543



Do you need assistance in acquiring your High School Diploma or GED?

How about studying for your DMV test?

OVCDC Adult Education can help with these services and with receiving a Typing/Keyboarding certificate, Computer Literacy skills, One-on One assistance and more!

For more information contact the Adult Education Instructor: Vincent Burrough at 559-791-9271 or vburrough@ovcdc.com to get started today!



Visalia and Porterville sites

Available for all Turste Casarty Part clouits **



"We have to remember our past generations and heep our Wukchumni language going."-Che'ihmyal

TEACHERS: JENNIFER MALONE & KATIE ICHO

VIRTUAL SESSIONS MONDAYS FROM 11AM-1PM, THURSDAY: IN PERSON SESSION 4:00PM-6:00PM CLASSES WILL BE HELD AT 1401 W. CALDWELL AVE, VISALIA

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO SIGN UP FOR CLASSES PLEASE CONTACT TULARE COUNTY LANGUAGE COORDINATOR CRYSTAL RUIZ:

559-738-8248 EXT. 420 OR EMAIL CRUIZ@OVCDC.COM

*Musl have a current prevention application on file.



Learn how to construct and personalize a beaded hairclip using a loom with our Language Teacher Jennifer Malone

Tuesday's in March **MARCH 14TH,** 21ST, 28TH 2023 FROM **11AM-12:30PM**

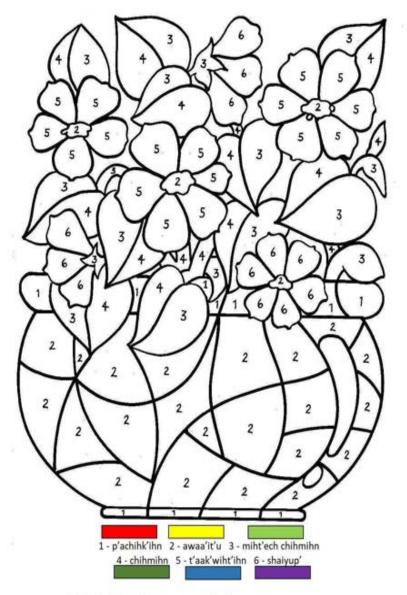
CONTACT LINDA SERRATO OR AMANDA SILAS at (559) 791-9271 or email Iserrato@ovcdc.com or asilas@ovcdc.com

In person classes/ Limited Space & Limited Supplies



Porterville Tribal TANF 191 W Poplar Ave., Porterville, CA 93257





Wukchumni Language



Exhibition Faire Registration is Now Open

https://bit.ly/CCEXPO2023

- Host a table
- Educate, recruit and inform the next generation of the workforce
- Promote career opportunities in your organization

9:00AM - 1:00PM COS VISALIA CAMPUS





CA COVID-19 RENT RELIEF

Do you need help with rent or utilities?

You may be eligible for the CA COVID-19 Rent Relief program.

Financial assistance is available from the State of California for income eligible renters and their landlords who have been impacted by COVID-19 and have past due rent or utilities, or who need help with upcoming rent or utilities.

Both renters and landlords are encouraged to apply.

Assistance is available for unpaid rent dating back to April 1, 2020, as well as for future rent.

Assistance is also available for unpaid utility payments dating back to April 1, 2020, or for future utility payments. which will both be compensated at 100% of cost, limited to a total of 12 months, and paid directly to the utility provider.

Assistance from the CA COVID-19 Rent Relief program does not count as earned income and will not affect eligibility for any other state benefit assistance programs.

All applicant information is kept private and will not be shared.

Income eligible applicants may qualify regardless of immigration status and will not be required to show proof of citizenship.

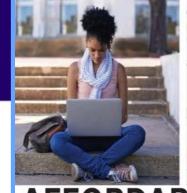


How do I apply?

To check eligibility and apply, visit HousingIsKey.com or call 833-430-2122.

For in-language assistance, to get help with eligibility requirements or filling out an application, schedule an appointment with a local organization near you by calling 833-687-0967.

The CA COVID-19 Rent Relief program is an official State of California sponsored program.



AFFORDABLE CONNECTIVITY PROGRAM

WHAT IS IT?

The Affordable Connectivity Program is an FCC program that helps connect families and households struggling to afford internet service.

The benefit provides:

- Up to \$30/month discount for internet service;
- Up to \$75/month discount for households on qualifying Tribal lands; and
- A one-time discount of up to \$100 for a laptop, desktop computer, or tablet purchased through a participating provider.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

- A household is eligible if one member of the household meets at least one of the criteria below:
- Has an income that is at or below 200% of the Federal Poverty Guide lines;
- Participates in certain assistance programs, such as SNAP, Medicaid, Federal Public Housing Assistance, SSI, WIC, or Lifeline;
- · Participates in Tribal specific programs, such as Bureau of Indian Affairs General Assistance, Tribal TANF, or Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations;
- Is approved to receive benefits under the free and reduced-price school lunch program or the school break fast program, including through the USDA Community Eligibility Provision;
- · Received a Federal Pell Grant during the current award year; or
- Meets the eligibility criteria for a participating broadband provider's existing low-income program.

TWO STEPS TO ENROLL

Go to AffordableConnectivity.gov to submit an application or print out a mail-in

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Contact your preferred participating provider to select an eligible plan and have the discount applied to your bill.

Some providers may have an alternative application that they will ask you to complete.

Eligible households must both apply for the program and contact a participating provider to select a service plan.

LEARN MORE

Call 877-384-2575, or Visit fcc.gov/acp



HousingIsKey.com | 833-430-2122

Owens Valley Career Development Center

Offices have re-opened

Please be Safe!

OVCDC staff is available for in-person appointments and some in-person activities at this time. You can also call during normal business hours for more information or a phone appointment, if preferred.

All OVCDC offices have re-opened to the public and will continue to follow safety protocols based on public health guidance.

Some program services will continue through virtual platforms. Please stay tuned for additional information in our newsletter and our Owens Valley Career Development Center Facebook page.

Help us stay safe

- · Please do not bring children with you to your appointment.
- You will be required to wear a face covering while in our office. You may bring your own or one will be provided to you.
- You will be required to have a body temperature screening and confirm that you are not experiencing any COVID-19 symptoms.
- You will be required to maintain 6 feet distance between yourself and others during you visit.

Case Counselors will be available to assist with questions regarding applications and can arrange for telephone intake appointments.

If you need to speak with a staff member, please call our office at 1-800-924-8091

Mission Statement

The Owens Valley Career Development Center is a Native American organization operating under a consortium of Sovereign Nations that promotes self-sufficiency through education, community enrichment and cultural empowerment.

Owens Valley Career Development Center

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For current OVCDC Employment Opportunities, RFP and Contract Opportunities Visit:

> www.ovcdc.com Or Contact us: 1-800-924-8091

Employment and Job Descriptions: hr@ovedc.com

RFP's and Contracts:



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lave you recently last a job or had your hours reduced by our employer due to the COVID-19 pandemic? OVCDC hay be able to help you meet your emergency needs.

In order to be eligible, families must meet the following criteria:

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