

August 2023

Newsletter

Owens Valley Career Development Center

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**FAMILY FORMATION
BY LANGUAGE
AND CULTURE ENRICHMENT**

**COME SEE THE CLASSROOM
AND MEET YOUR TEACHER
JENNIFER MALONE!**

**IT'S
BACK TO
SCHOOL!**

Wukchumni Language Class

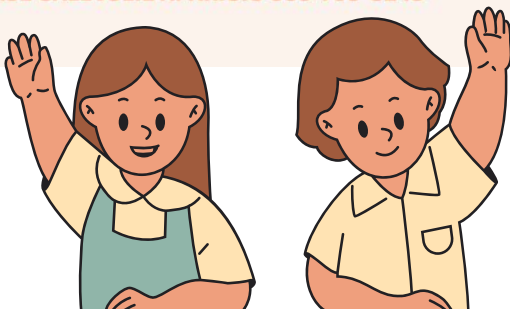
**Begins Thursday August 17th, 2023 Weekly In
Person 4-6pm**

**1401 W. CALDWELL AVENUE
VISALIA, CA 93277**

**ANY QUESTIONS OR IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO SIGN UP
PLEASE CALL JULIE APARICIO 559-738-8248**

TANF REMINDERS

- Each blank on the form must be completed in blue or black ink with information or n/a (not applicable).
- MERs turned in late or incomplete may result in a late cash aid payment.
- Work Participation Form must include verification of hours completed.
- Supportive Service requests will not be processed or may be denied until MER has been turned in, forms will be mailed if needed.
- A completed Monthly Budget Worksheet must be submitted with any Supportive Service Request.
- Completing a Financial Literacy Workshop is required for requests – please ask your Family Advocate for details
- Address/Contact information change should be updated within 10 days of change.
- Make sure to carefully read OV CDC mail, it may have pertinent information regarding your cash aid case,
- Report Cards – continuous eligibility requirement not just for incentive processing.
- Forms can be found in the TANF office lobby.
- All cash aid & childcare checks are mailed. No exceptions.





Visalia Site Calendar of Events

August 2023



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<u>Ledger</u> Family Literacy Language Prevention	<u>Proposals</u> FAMV-001-24: FF Interactive Lit FAMV-002-24: FF Parent/Child FAMP-003-24: FF Adult Ed FAMP-004-24: FF Higher Ed FAMP-005-24: FF FIS/MIS		<u>Proposals</u> LTC-001-23: Lang/Cultural Unity VP-008-24: Summer Youth Work Experience (SYWE) VP-002-24: FF Thriving for Success VP-003-24: FF Building a Healthy Lifestyle			
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August Language Calendar 2023



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Virtual Language classes are open to all communities.

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Tulare County Language Coordinator: Crystal Ruiz

Email: cruiz@ovcdc.com; Phone: 559-738-8248 Ext. 420

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Language Teacher: Juanita Henson

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Language Teacher: Jennifer Malone Email: jmalone@ovcdc.com

Language Teacher: Katie Icho Email: kicho@ovcdc.com

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Visalia, CA 93277

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Porterville OVDC Site

191 W. Poplar Ave.

Porterville, CA 93257

Phone: 559-791-9271

Tule River OVDC Site

180 N Reservation Rd,

Porterville, CA 93257

Phone: 559-782-8211



AUGUST 2023



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For adult education services, contact Vincent Burrough VBurrough@ovcdc.com

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4:00-6:00

V/PV/TR: Parent & Child Interactive Orientation
10:00AM

V/PV/TR: Higher Education Orientation
6:00

TR: Interactive Family Literacy Night
5:30-7:30

PV: Interactive Family Literacy Night
4:00-6:00

FAMILY LITERACY STAFF

**NATALIE JONES-
FAMILY LITERACY
COORDINATOR**

**TRACY MILLS-SALAZAR-
PARENT AND CHILD
INSTRUCTOR**

**VINCENT BURROUGH-
ADULT ED INSTRUCTOR**





TRIBAL TANF UPDATES

Mandatory Meeting !!!



In-Person Meeting

AUG 23, 2023
10AM OR 5PM

Sign-Up with Kathleen Alger,
Family Advocate

Phone: 559.738.8248

E-mail: kalger@ovcdc.com

STAY IN THE KNOW:

- ELIGIBILITY
- CHANGES TO POLICY
- Q & A

**ATTENDING MAKES YOU
ELIGIBLE FOR THE
NOVEMBER FAMILY
SEASONAL SUPPORTIVE
SERVICE**

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FAMILY FORMATION BY LANGUAGE
AND CULTURE ENRICHMENT

DO YOU LOVE TRADITIONAL STORIES?

Well join the Wukchumni Language class with
instructors Jennifer Malone and Katie Icho!

WEEKLY VIRTUAL SESSIONS

BEGINS MONDAY AUGUST 14TH, 2023 11AM-1PM



Sign up with Julie Aparicio
email japaricio@ovcdc.com
or call 559-738-8248 ext. 414



Family Formation by **Language** and Culture Enrichment

*Please join us for
Cultural Unity
class learning
Wukchumni
Language taught by
Juanita Henson.*

BEGINS THURSDAY AUGUST 17, 2023
WEEKLY IN PERSON | 5:30PM-7:30 PM

191 W. Poplar Ave. Porterville, CA 93257

If you would like to sign up please
contact Julie Aparicio 559-738-8248
or email japaricio@ovcdc.com



OWENS VALLEY
CAREER DEVELOPMENT
CENTER

AUGUST
22nd
@ 10:00 a

Family Formation
through

PARENT & CHILD INTERACTIVE LEARNING



UPCOMING
ACTIVITIES:
STEAM
STORY TIME
HOW TO SHARE
FEELINGS

FOR PARENTS WITH CHILDREN 0-4 JOIN
US FOR AGE APPROPRIATE PLAY AND
CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

Contact Tracy Mills-Salazar
TMills-Salazar@ovcdc.com

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Tulare County Family Literacy
A Family Formation Event



FAMILY

INTERACTIVE NIGHT

TUESDAY
AUG 8
4:00-6:00

Contact Us
Tracy Mills-Salazar-
tmills-salazar@ovcdc.com
Natalie Jones-njones@ovcdc.com

JOIN US FOR FAMILY FUN NIGHT

All families will receive a
book, a meal together, and
literacy skills!

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FAMILY FORMATION

HIGHER EDUCATION

ARE YOU A HIGH SCHOOL
STUDENT OR LOOKING TO
GO BACK TO SCHOOL?

JOIN US AUGUST 29TH
AT 6:00-7:00, VIRTUALLY
TO DISCUSS UPCOMING TOPICS
SUCH AS:

- FAFSA
- SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION
- UPCOMING FIELD TRIPS
- POTENTIAL SCHOOL SPEAKERS

LOOK FOR MORE INFORMATION
ON UPCOMING QUARTERLY
WORKSHOPS

CONTACT VINCENT
BURROUGH
VBURROUGH@OVCDC.COM

191 W. POPLAR AVE., PORTERVILLE, CA 93257



Family Formation Through Fatherhood is Sacred Motherhood is Sacred

Fridays

July 14, 2023 to
October 13, 2023

10:00am - 12:00pm

In person and virtual

Visalia Office
1401 W. Caldwell Ave.
Visalia, CA 93257

For more information or to register, please
contact the Family Literacy Program at:

(559) 738-8248

Tracy Mills-Salazar
PACILA / Parent Educator
tmills-salazar@ovcdc.com



WEEKLY

gatherings for
Adults raising
Native children

Strengthening
families by assisting
fathers, mothers and
families to fully
realize their
potential through
cultural teachings.

2022-2023 FINAL GRADES

REPORT CARDS DUE

**This is an eligibility
requirement for all TANF
Participants.**



Do you have
questions?
Contact Kathleen
Alger.

Phone:
559.738.8248
E.Mail:
kalger@ovcdc.com



Family Formation

Thriving For Success

Virtual Orientation: August 22nd 5:00pm

Starting August 22 2023 to June 11, 2024.

Classes are once a month on a Tuesday.

Times: 5pm to 7pm

Virtual & in-person sessions

Join Visalia OVCDC and learn
ways to improve healthy
self-esteem, developing the
whole self, values, health
and wellness, and
emergency preparedness.

For more information
or to sign-up, please
contact Leanna Ortega
or Nora Rodriguez at
559-738-8248
1401 W Caldwell Ave
Visalia Ca. 93292

Must attend 80 percent of sessions to qualify
for an educational item.



Family Formation by building a

Healthy Family Lifestyle

Let's educate our palate with recipes using traditional healthy foods, meal prepping, and active family fun!

**AUGUST 15TH - APRIL
16TH 2024**

5-7pm

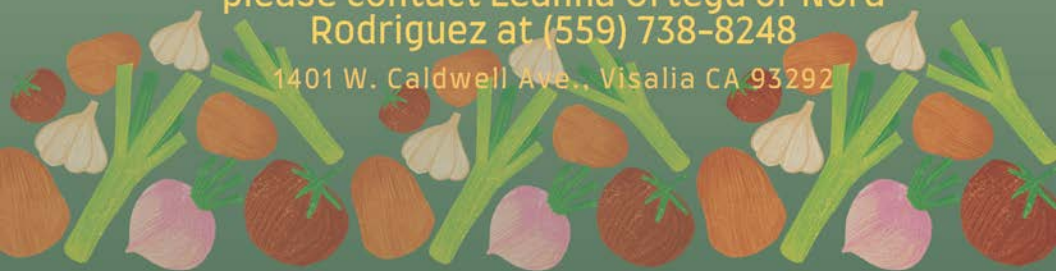
Virtual & In-person
sessions



Accepting 15
Families

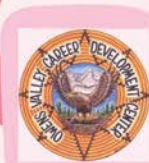
For more information or to sign-up,
please contact Leanna Ortega or Nora
Rodriguez at (559) 738-8248

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Family Formation by Language and Culture Enrichment

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Unity class learning
Wukchumni Language
taught by Juanita Henson.



If you would like
to sign up or
have questions,
please call Julie
Aparicio 559-738-8248
or email
japaricio@ovcdc.com

Weekly In Person
Beginning
August 16, 2023
5:30pm-7:30pm

1401 W. Caldwell Avenue
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DIABETES EDUCATION CLASS

2ND THURSDAY OF THE MONTH
11AM - 1PM

VISALIA TANF OFFICE
1401 W. CALDWELL AVE

It is a time to celebrate
progress in diabetes research,
share information, and raise
awareness in our indigenous
communities.

Let us come together along
with family, friends, and
supporters, and share
experiences with diabetes and
learn together.



Starting June 8, 2022

**Tule River Indian Health Center Inc.
Behavioral Health Department**

**Wednesday AA/NA Adult Talking Circle
12:00pm-1:00pm at Visalia Tribal TANF
1401 W. Caldwell Ave. Visalia, Ca.**

**For More Information Please Contact
TRIHCI Behavioral Health @
559-791-2543**

**Lisa.graham@carih.org
Rudy.pina@carih.org**



CONTACT TULE RIVER INDIAN HEALTH CLINIC FOR MORE
INFORMATION AT 559.784.2316 * WWW.TRIHCI.ORG



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Gas Bill High? Assistance Program

Gas Co Fund

https://www.socalgas.com/save-money-and-energy/assistance...

Need Help Paying Your Gas Bill?

If you're having difficulty paying your natural gas bill, the Gas Assistance Fund (GAF) may be able to provide you, or someone you know, with a **one-time grant** for the amount of the gas bill, not to exceed \$400.00. If the eligible applicant is age 55+ or has an older adult (55+) living in the household, an additional \$100 is available for a maximum grant of up to \$500. Additionally, those facing certain financial hardships may be eligible for extra grant funding. Make an appointment with your [local agency](#) to see what your household may qualify for.

The Gas Assistance Fund is a joint effort of SoCalGas® and United Way of Greater Los Angeles. United Way works with non-profit organizations throughout our service territory to manage the program.

How to Qualify

To qualify for GAF, you must meet the following requirements:

- The natural gas bill must be in the name of the applicant requesting assistance.
- The bill address must be the applicant's primary residence.
- The applicant must not apply for more than the maximum GAF allowance for the current program year.
- The applicant must meet the income guidelines listed below:

Number of people in the household	Total yearly household income* not more than
1	\$40,770
2	\$54,930
3	\$69,090
4	\$83,250
5	\$97,410
6	\$111,570
7	\$125,730
8	\$139,890

Tulare County Agencies

Code	Agency Provides	EAF & GAF Agency Name	Address	City	Zip Code	County	Telephone Number	Days of the week Agency Will Accept Calls To Schedule Appointments
1829	EAF and GAF Assistance	Salvation Army - Porterville	368 East Date St.	Porterville	93257	Tulare	(559) 784-7872	Monday - Thursday: 9:00 am - 12:00 pm
1013	EAF and GAF Assistance	Community Services and Employment Training-Visalia	312 N. W. 3rd Avenue	Visalia	93291	Tulare	(844) 224-1316	Monday - Friday: 8:00 am - 5:00 pm



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"There is no risk or obligation to apply."

Public Wireless is committed to providing no cost tablets and internet to as many families as possible.

Here are a few ways you can qualify:

Lower income, government program participants (SSI, Medicaid, WIC, SNAP, FPHA, Lifeline, etc.) K-12 students attending schools that are CEP recipients or on Free or Reduced lunch programs, and College students with a Pell Grant. There are many other ways to qualify.

You will never receive a bill for the internet service.
The tablet is yours to keep forever with no obligations or commitments.

FRIENDS & FAMILY ARE WELCOME TO ENROLL



- ✓ NO COST 10.1 inch Tablet with a Hardcase Cover and Screen Protector.
- ✓ NO COST SIM Card that provides 24/7 LTE Broadband Internet Service. Does NOT need WIFI access.
- ✓ Both SIM Card and 10.1 inch Tablet are FREE with NO Strings Attached for Qualified ACP (Affordable Connectivity Program) Applicants.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS PLEASE CALL
1.800.286.5380



PublicWirelessllc.com



Owens Valley Career Development Center

OVCDC is a Tribal organization providing Career Education, Family Literacy, Indigenous Language, Early Head Start and Temporary Assistance services in seven California Counties: Inyo, Mono, Kern, Tulare, Kings, Fresno and Ventura. We are a dedicated Tribal Organization operating under a consortium of Sovereign Nations providing the opportunity for improvement in the quality of life by focusing on education and self-sufficiency while protecting, preserving and promoting our cultures.

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

www.ovcdc.com

Or Contact us:

[1-800-924-8091](tel:1-800-924-8091)

Employment and Job Descriptions:
hr@ovcdc.com

RFP's and Contracts:
contracts@ovcdc.com

Indian preference shall apply pursuant to the prevailing Tribal Employment Rights Ordinance and the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act 25 U.S.C § 45, § 46, & §§ 450, et seq, see also 25 CFR 276.13 and other relevant laws.

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Non-Recurring Short Term Benefits

Have you recently lost a job or had your hours reduced by your employer due to the COVID-19 pandemic? OVCDC may be able to help you meet your emergency needs.

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

- Be an American Indian/Alaska Native family residing in Fresno, Inyo, Kern*, Kings, Mono, Tulare or Ventura counties.
- Have monthly income at or below 300% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines:

Family Size	Monthly Income
1	3,190
2	4,310
3	5,430
4	6,550
5	7,670
6	8,790
7	9,910
8	11,030
9	12,150
10	13,270

2020 Federal Poverty Guidelines

- Have a loss in income
- Provide verification of the need being requested.
Examples include:
 - Short term mortgage or rental assistance
 - Costs for virtual learning for employment or school
 - Emergency energy assistance

*Excludes members and descendants of the Tejon Indian Tribe residing in Kern County.

Please visit our website to download a TANF intake application or call at **[1-800-924-8091](tel:1-800-924-8091)** for further assistance.