Our Site Coordinator’s Message

Hats off to all 2023 Graduates! Community Services Foundation (CSF) wishes to recognize all students as they complete the final days of this school year with special recognition to all graduates! We also acknowledge and thank those who supported you!

We are excited to offer our Summer Enrichment Club: Rock Around Your Block, from June 26th to August 4th, 9:00 AM to 6:00 PM, Monday through Friday. Building on the excitement of last year's program, this year's theme Unlocking the Secrets to Our National Treasures, will promote positive development and build self-esteem. Program participants will learn about some of this country's national treasures and unlock the secrets to discovering they are also national treasures! Although national treasures are generally defined as artifacts, institutions, or public figures representing a nation's cultural heritage or identity, the people of a country are its most significant treasure.

Learning and skills development are critical, but we aim to make it fun. The program will include exciting and fun hands-on arts, science, technology, math, and health activities. Participants can take advantage of five exciting field trips. All of this is offered at no cost to CSF program participants. Registration is already underway. So please secure a slot for your child by contacting the CSF staff at 202-396-1268 or 202 - 399 - 6016. Please see the attached flyer for more details.

Many consider summer the best season when we experience more sunshine, barbeques, and cookouts. For many adults and seniors, it is often the time to relax and vacation. Even if you cannot go to a beach or favorite vacation spot, consider a staycation, where you stay home, relax, and enjoy some time away from your normal activities. Do the things that make you happy!

Please help us serve you better by completing the Resident Survey. The link may be found on the attached flyer. We thank you in advance and wish you a great summer!

Benning Courts & The Pentacle - Community Center Newsletter
JUNE/JULY 2023

The programs are provided in partnership with Nursing Brothers and Community Services Foundation, and funded, in part by generous OSSF & Learn 24 grants provided by the District of Columbia.

Community Services Foundation is a CORFS certified organization.
OUR COMMUNITY MANAGER’S MESSAGE

Your management team wants to remind you that June 1st officially begins the six-month Atlantic seaboard hurricane season. We have most of our power outages at this time of year.

Unfortunately, using a candle for lighting during these storms can be tempting if your power goes out. Candles can be forgotten or knocked over, especially if a window or door breaks open due to strong winds. In the middle of a storm situation, a fire could be impossible to put out.

Instead, put battery-powered lanterns and flashlights in your home emergency kit. Swap out the batteries on an annual basis to make sure you will always have light in an emergency.

If you haven't a lantern or flashlight in your home, please buy one as soon as possible and do not risk yourself or your neighbors' lives with an accidental fire.

PARENT MEETINGS

Our Parent Meetings provide updates on activities offered during our free after school program and nutritional health tips that every family can enjoy. It's virtual and only last 30 minutes. You can also win a free prize!

We invite you to join us on Wednesday, June 21st at 6:15 PM to receive information on these items and more.

Please Click on the below link or use the QR Code to join the Zoom Meeting
https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83192351995?pwd=R05ZUnQ0V3E5c1RTRFk1VjVQVy9GUT09
Meeting ID: 83192351995
Password: 643171

ADULT & SENIOR UPDATES

Adult & Senior Bingo and Open Discussion Activities
Held at the Pentacle Community Center
Every Friday 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM

Find food assistance, help paying bills, and other free or reduced-cost programs at
https://findhelp.org/
When you log on, insert your zip code to search for services and benefits in your area. You can also ask your Site Director for additional resources.
**ADULT EDUCATION**

The Benning Courts & Pentacle Community Center offers adult education classes to parents of youth who attend the after school and summer programs.

Please stop by the center to learn about our free GED prep, job readiness opportunities, Digital Literacy, and Health and Wellness classes.

Class schedules will be flexible, so give us a call and let us know what days and times work best for you. You can attend some classes virtually!

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**CENTER CLOSED FOR ANNUAL CSU**

All Community Services Foundation Centers will be closed beginning Tuesday, June 20th, through Friday, June 23rd, for our annual Community Services University (CSU). Annually we take this time to stay abreast of the best programming and service options for you by training all staff members and planning for the upcoming program year.

We look forward to providing you with fresh new ideas, approaches, and services!

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**STAY SAFE & HEALTHY**

While many measures associated with COVID have been lifted, you & your guests still need to be cautious about your well-being. Please consider wearing your mask/face-covering whenever you are not in your home, on public transportation, rideshare, or in large gatherings. And get tested if you ever feel you have the symptoms associated with COVID.

https://coronavirus.dc.gov/testing

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In observance of Juneteenth our offices will be closed Monday, June 19th.

The day's name is a combination of "June" and "nineteenth" in honor of the date of Granger's announcement and first appeared around 1903. It is also known as African American Freedom Day or Emancipation Day.
LET’S CONTINUE TO MAKE OUR SCHOOL YEAR GREAT!
JOIN OUR AFTERSCHOOL CLUB!

Please email us or call us: 202 - 396 - 1268 or 202 - 399 - 6016
AFTERSCHOOL CLUB ACTIVITY SCHEDULE
Monday-Friday: 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM
Group and Individual session will focus on:

♦ Fun STEAM Activities
♦ At-Home Lesson Plans and Experiments
♦ Virtual Field Trips
♦ Hands-On Learning Instruction
♦ Digital Literacy
♦ Character Development
♦ Virtual Games and Trivia
♦ Health & Wellness
♦ Weekly Refreshers
♦ Reflection Time

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TIMETABLE

Monday - Math
Tuesday - Reading
Wednesday - Spelling and Vocabulary
Thursday - Reading
Friday – Weekly Review of Monday - Thursday Activities

3:00 - 3:30 PM Arrival/Sign In
3:30 - 4:00 PM Snack
4:00 - 5:00 PM Youth Activity/Power Hour
5:00 - 5:45 PM Supper
5:45 - 5:55 PM Clean Up
6:00 PM Dismissal

IEP Academic Support

Did you know that your child can participate receive academic support virtually? They can click on the virtual class link Monday - Thursday at 3:55 PM to join classes and see their friends.

Did you know that Community Services Foundation offers IEP Support Staff to help you support and advocate for your child? Services are offered Monday - Friday from 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM. Ask your Community Center Site Coordinator for more information.

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*Note: Changes in programming and scheduling are subject to change due to unforeseen circumstances.*
SUMMER ENRICHMENT CLUB 2023
ROCK AROUND YOUR BLOCK

ALL ACTIVITIES ARE FREE

AGES 5 - 12 YEARS OLD
Spaces are Limited!
REGISTER YOUR CHILD TODAY!
June 26th - August 4th
Daily 9:00 am - 6:00 pm

BENNING COURTS & THE PENTACLE COMMUNITY CENTER
TELEPHONE: 202 - 396 - 1268 or 202 - 399 - 6016

- DAILY MEALS PROVIDED AT NO COST
- HEALTH & WELLNESS SAFETY PRECAUTIONS IN PLACE
- DAILY RECREATIONAL GAMES & FUN
- EXCITING STEAM PROGRAMMING
- OPPORTUNITIES TO EXPAND YOUR CREATIVITY
- AND SO MUCH MORE

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REGISTER YOUR CHILD TODAY!
Resident Survey Community Services Foundation wants to hear from you. Please let us know if our programs and services meet your needs. To serve you better, please take 3 to 5 minutes to complete the attached survey by clicking on the red Resident Survey link above, using the following link or QR code.

Thank you!

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfrlL_ybG_bkadIwEMUsnGd3S9f1Vd7YRCU-1blM-WW0zBeUw/viewform?usp=sharing