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Program	Program Description - Eligibility	Contact
<b>Adult Education, Employment &amp; Training Program</b>	Includes academic assessments; group sessions; tutoring; home-based studies; computer assisted learning, post secondary ed assistance, work skills and employment placement assistance. 16 to 24 year old RI residents who do not have a HS Diploma or GED	Beatrice McGeoch 789-3016 Ext. 308
<b>Basic Human Needs</b>	Emergency funds to help pay for miscellaneous items that are not covered under other programs. Low income residents of Charlestown, Exeter, Hopkinton, Narragansett, New Shoreham, North Kingstown, Richmond, South Kingstown, Westerly and West Greenwich.	Judy Cashman 789-3016 Ext. 300
<b>Commodities Distribution</b>	Monthly distribution of canned goods, pasta, grain, juice, peanut butter, rice and flour and other foodstuffs as contributed through the State of Rhode Island and as purchased through the Rhode Island Food Bank. Low income residents of Charlestown, Exeter, Hopkinton, Narragansett, New Shoreham, North Kingstown, Richmond, South Kingstown, Westerly and West Greenwich.	Judy Cashman 789-3016, Ext. 300
<b>Elder Case Management</b>	Case management services for abused/neglected and self-neglected elderly, early intervention, community and home care, general assessments, support groups, caretakers, and victims of abuse, pharmaceutical assistance, and Meals On Wheels. Seniors ages 55 years and over and adults with disabilities and their families or caregivers residing in the towns of Charlestown, Exeter, Hopkinton, Narragansett, New Shoreham, North Kingstown, Richmond, South Kingstown, Westerly and West Greenwich.	Cheryl Patnaude 789-3016 ext. 378
<b>Earned Income Tax Credit</b>	Provides free tax preparation assistance and free electronic filing of State and Federal returns. Low income residents of Charlestown, Exeter, Hopkinton, Narragansett, New Shoreham, North Kingstown, Richmond, South Kingstown, Westerly and West Greenwich.	Jayme Simone 789-3016 Ext. 316
<b>Emergency Boiler Repair/Replacement</b>	Provides emergency boiler repair services and replacement for heating systems that are beyond repair. Low income residents of Charlestown, Exeter, Hopkinton, Narragansett, New Shoreham, North Kingstown, Richmond, South Kingstown, Westerly and West Greenwich.	Leslie VanPelt 789-3016 Ext. 304
<b>Emergency Food &amp; Shelter Vouchers</b>	Vouchers are provided to eligible individuals and families to support any emergency nutritional or shelter needs. Low income residents of Charlestown, Exeter, Hopkinton, Narragansett, New Shoreham, North Kingstown, Richmond, South Kingstown, Westerly and West Greenwich.	Judy Cashman 789-3016 Ext. 300



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<b>Emergency Housing Assistance (RHEHA)</b>	<p>Rental, mortgage and security deposit assistance for eviction, foreclosure, natural disaster and domestic violence situations. Assistance with tenant/landlord disputes.</p> <p>Low income residents of Charlestown, Exeter, Hopkinton, Narragansett, New Shoreham, North Kingstown, Richmond, South Kingstown, Westerly and West Greenwich.</p>	<p>Judy Cashman 789-3016 Ext. 300</p>
<b>Family Care Community Partnership (FCCP)</b>	<p>A comprehensive program of care involving multiple partnerships throughout south western RI designed to assist families who are at risk of DCYF involvement. Services vary from single need, such as energy assistance or parent skills training, to intensive, multi-service care plans. Plans are designed by case workers and family members to ensure a client-focused choice in the services delivered.</p> <p>Children referred from DCYF Child Protective Services; children at risk for child abuse, neglect or DCYF intervention; children birth to age 18 with serious emotional disturbances; children leaving temporary community placement; children at risk of foster placement; children at-risk or involved with Juvenile Justice.</p>	<p>Sean Walsh 789-3016 Ext. 315</p>
<b>Financial Stability &amp; Literacy</b>	<p>Provides financial literacy and education services to youth and adults ages 14 and up using the Money Smart curriculum developed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. Youth receive age-appropriate training through the YouthLinks Program and adults may access services through housing and energy programs. Literacy topics include Budgeting; Banking Basics; Credit and Lenders; Debt Consolidation; Consumer Protection and Fraud; Home Ownership; and Retirement Planning.</p> <p>Program is available to residents of Charlestown, Exeter, Hopkinton, Narragansett, New Shoreham, North Kingstown, Richmond, South Kingstown, Westerly and West Greenwich.</p>	<p>789-3016</p>
<b>Furniture Bank</b>	<p>Pre-screening and intake for the Rhode Island Furniture Bank.</p> <p>Low income residents of Charlestown, Exeter, Hopkinton, Narragansett, New Shoreham, North Kingstown, Richmond, South Kingstown, Westerly and West Greenwich.</p>	<p>Judy Cashman 789-3016 Ext. 300</p>
<b>Head Start</b>	<p>Early childhood education, social services, special needs services, mental health services, health and safety, nutrition services/assessment, literacy skills children/families, parent involvement, family development, transition coordination.</p> <p>Children between the ages of 3-5, and their families living in Charlestown, Exeter, Hopkinton, Narragansett, North Kingstown, Richmond, South Kingstown or Westerly.</p>	<p>Missy Menders 789-3016 Ext. 307</p>



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<b>Heating Assistance (LIHEAP)</b>	<p>Grants provided to reduce home-heating costs (gas, electric, propane, oil, kerosene or wood), emergency shut off assistance.</p> <p>Low-income residents in the Towns of Charlestown, Exeter, Hopkinton, Narragansett, New Shoreham, North Kingstown, Richmond, South Kingstown, Westerly and West Greenwich.</p>	<p>Judy Cashman 789-3016 Ext. 300</p>
<b>Joyful Learning Child Academy</b>	<p>Early childhood care and education for infants and children from 6 weeks to 5 years of age. Licensed by the RI Dept. of Children, Youth and Families and the RI Dept. of Education, our child care program operates year round from 6:30am to 6:00pm.</p> <p>RI Dept. of Human Services Child Care Assistance payments are accepted.</p>	<p>Tara Ward 789-2244</p>
<b>Parenting Wisely &amp; Family Functional Therapy</b>	<p>Parenting Wisely is designed to help teens and their families to increase communication; decrease family conflict; increase parental supervision; improve discipline and parenting techniques; and reduce or prevent juvenile delinquency, substance abuse; school failure; violent behaviors, and teen pregnancy.</p> <p>Families with delinquent children or children at-risk for becoming delinquent or substance abusers.</p>	<p>Maureen Tissiere 596-7272 Ext. 114</p>
<b>Personal Choice Waiver</b>	<p>Provides assessment and enrollment to participants; development, implementation, and monitoring of Individual Service and Spending Plan (ISSP); training and guidance to program participants to support self-direction, ensure health and safety through routine program monitoring activities, promote participants independence by providing annual assessments of accessibility, equipment needs, and health education needs; and assistance to client toward oversight of care and arrangement of necessary services.</p> <p>Must be eligible for Rhode Island Medical Assistance, in need of Personal Care. Only seniors and disabled adults are eligible for services.</p>	<p>Cheryl Patnaude 789-3016 ext. 378</p>
<b>Senior Health Insurance Program (SHIP) /RIPAE</b>	<p>Provides assistance with obtaining supplemental Health Insurance, Medicare Part D; and assists with prescription payments through enrolling clients in the RI Pharmaceutical Assistance Program (RIPAE).</p> <p>Must be a senior citizen or disabled adult.</p>	<p>Cheryl Patnaude 789-3016 ext. 378</p>
<b>Senior Medical Patrol (SMP)</b>	<p>To continue health care fraud, waste and abuse training sessions and presentations in local senior centers, assisted living units, elderly housing units and the community in general; and to assist Medicaid and Medicare beneficiaries to help them navigate the State system.</p> <p>Referrals accepted statewide.</p>	<p>Cheryl Patnaude 789-3016 ext. 378</p>



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<b>Stanford Model Chronic Disease Self-Management Program (CDSM)</b>	<p>A six week health education program to provide education regarding self-management techniques needed to assist client with chronic disease including diabetes, asthma, depression, cardio-vascular disease, hypertension, cancer.</p> <p>Statewide referrals accepted. Any adult with chronic disease (or their spouse/caregiver), including diabetes, cancer, depression, hypertension, and cardio-vascular disease.</p>	<p>Cheryl Patnaude 789-3016 ext. 378</p>
<b>Teen Outreach Program (TOPS)</b>	<p>Nationally recognized program that empowers teens to lead successful lives and build strong communities. Program encourages teens to develop a sense of competence, discover new skills, speak and be heard and feel that they can make a difference in the world around them. Groups meet weekly for one hour.</p> <p>Youth in grades 6<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup></p>	<p>Maureen Tissiere 596-7272 Ext. 114</p>
<b>Toy Distribution</b>	<p>Seasonal distribution of toys.</p> <p>Low income residents of Charlestown, Exeter, Hopkinton, Narragansett, New Shoreham, North Kingstown, Richmond, South Kingstown, Westerly and West Greenwich.</p>	<p>Judy Cashman 789-3016 Ext. 300</p>
<b>Weatherization and Appliance Management Programs</b>	<p>Assists low-income individuals and families to permanently reduce their energy consumptions and increase energy efficiencies. Energy Audits conducted to determine need for insulation, weather stripping, pipe sealer, replacement of storm windows and doors. AMP examines electrical use in the home (computerized audit) and replaces light bulbs, small appliances</p> <p>LiHEAP eligible residents in the Towns of Charlestown, Exeter, Hopkinton, Narragansett, New Shoreham, North Kingstown, Richmond, South Kingstown, Westerly and West Greenwich.</p>	<p>Judy Cashman 789-3016 Ext. 300</p>
<b>Youth Diversionary Program / Article 23</b>	<p>Provides comprehensive assessments, parent education and case management services for families with children between the ages of 10-17 to address issues which are affecting the youth and family's emotional, physical, psychological and social well-being.</p> <p>Referrals are accepted from Family Court, Juvenile Hearing Boards, Police Depts., DCYF, schools, and through self-referral for wayward, disobedient, and/or truant youth from Charlestown, Exeter, Hopkinton, Narragansett, North Kingstown, Richmond, South Kingstown, Westerly and West Greenwich.</p>	<p>Maureen Tissiere 596-7272 Ext. 114</p>



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<b>YouthLinks</b>	Provides academic and vocational assessment and exploration, GED prep, basic skills remediation, occupational skills training, employment assistance and placement, intensive case management, job coaching, leadership skills, adult mentoring, life skills training, tracking and follow up.	Tammy DaSilva 596-7272 Ext. 115
	Statewide for youth ages 16-21 years old both in-school and out-of-school.	
<b>Youth Responsibility</b>	Science-based curriculum to assist youth in assuming responsibility for their actions and the possible consequences of those actions including life skills training, prevention-based curriculum.	Maureen Tissiere 789-3016 Ext. 305
	Non-pregnant or parenting youth who are at risk for teen pregnancy, dropping out of school, substance abuse, and juvenile delinquency.	
<b>Youth Success Initiative</b>	Intensive case management services focusing on school completion and/or – GED; Adult Basic Education and Literacy, ESL, Life Skills Training and Parent Education.	Maureen Tissiere 789-3016 Ext. 305
	Pregnant and parenting teens who are 20 years of age or younger.	