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## Summer 2020



**For more than** two hundred and fifty years, East Windsor has found its home along the Connecticut River, halfway between Hartford, Connecticut and Springfield, Massachusetts. For all that time, we have taken great pride in our rural character and agricultural roots. And while we continue to embrace our rich agrarian past, we also look towards the future. Our central location puts us in the heart of New England's Knowledge corridor, and we are working hard to capitalize on the resources that are available to us to inspire economic growth in the region.

Our past is something that we are proud of as a community, and our future is bright, but this publication is intended to share some of the things that are happening here now. Like most places, we have a story to tell that is uniquely ours. This first edition will serve as an introduction of sorts to key programs, staff, opportunities and partners. As our story grows, we will be working hard to share successes we've made along the way, as well as new opportunities that present themselves.

We are proud of our community and the great people in it, and it is our hope that this guide will serve as an introduction to its readers about what our community can be.

Our best days are ahead!

Jason E. Bowsza First Selectman

### **East Windsor Parks & Recreation**

#### Office Info & Hours:

25 School Street, East Windsor CT 06088

Monday-Wednesday:	8:30am-4:30pm
Thursday:	8:30am-7:00pm
Friday:	8:30am-1:00pm

Mailing Address: 11 Rye Street, Broad Brook, CT 06016 Registration Website: www.EastWindsorRec.com Recreation Staff:

#### **Director of Recreation & Community Services:** Melissa Maltese, *mmaltese@eastwindsorct.com*

Recreation Lead: Samantha Charette, scharette@eastwindsorct.com

Administrative Assistant: Irene Mosher, imosher@eastwindsorct.com

**Office/Program Assistant:** Debbie Williams, *dwilliams@eastwindsorct.com* 

#### General Info

#### Age Requirement:

For programs with age requirements, children must meet the minimum age before the program starts.

#### **Inclement Weather:**

Program cancellations due to inclement weather are announced via email blasts through the Recreation Department's registration system as well as posted on our Facebook page. We also broadcast on Channel 3's Early Warning Announcement system. For programs located within the schools, we follow the school's weather cancellations.

#### **Program Scholarships:**

Those requiring assistance to participate in programs may speak with the Director regarding financial assistance and scholarship opportunities.

## **Registration Info**

#### **Mail-In**:

Registrations are accepted on a first come-first serve basis. Printable registration forms are available at www.EastWindsorRec.com. Paper copies are also available in the Parks & Recreation Office and Town Hall.

#### Mail your completed form with payment to:

East Windsor Parks & Recreation 11 Rye Street Broad Brook, CT 06016 Consider yourself registered if you do not hear from us.

#### **Drop-Boxes**:

Drop-Boxes are conveniently located at four locations around town to place registrations and payments in. Drop Boxes are locked and checked frequently by Parks & Recreation Staff. Locations are as follows

Broad Brook School - Outside of Main Office

East Windsor Middle School - Outside of Main Office

Town Hall – Outside Main Entrance

Police Station – Inside Lobby

#### **Online**:

Conveniently register for most programs at **www.EastWindsorRec. com**. Upon registering for the first time, create a family account prior to registering for programs.

After registration, you will immediately receive an email confirmation.

#### **Payment:**

Payment in full must be accepted before registration is considered valid. We accept cash, checks, and credit cards.

#### **Refund Policy:**

No refunds will be given after a program begins unless extenuating circumstances prevents you from participating in the program. The Director of Recreation and Community Services has final say in all matters concerning refunds.

We encourage early registration because often we are forced to cancel programs if a minimum enrollment number is not reached prior to the start of class.

Keep an eye out for information on our Summer Programs coming soon!

**Summer Fun Camp** – Open to Campers Ages 4-13; Regular and Extended Day Options Available

Swim Lessons – Morning & Evening Options Available

Counselor-In-Training Program - Open to Teens Ages 14-16

We are also now hiring for Summer Positions at East Windsor Park! Visit www.EastWindsorRec.com for more information or to print an application today.

## The East Windsor Public Schools

**The East Windsor Public Schools** provides a high-quality education to students from grades preschool through grade 12. The Superintendent, Assistant Superintendent for Student Services, Director of Curriculum, Registration, Human Resources and the Business Office are located in the Central Office, at 70 South Main Street. Those wishing to contact the Central Office should call the individual department or Annie Kalesnik, Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent, at 860-623-3346 extension 7404. Please visit our district website at www. eastwindsork12.org for important information about all services and departments. We invite you to like us on Facebook, East Windsor Public Schools.

Families needing to register new students are asked to access registration forms and schedule an appointment on our website at www.eastwindsork12.org under the Central Registration tab. Questions about Central Registration should be directed to Carol Sauerhoefer, Administrative Assistant at 860-623-3346 extension 7415,

The East Windsor Family Resource Center (FRC) located in Broad Brook School, provides a variety of programs for the children of East Windsor. Families begin as early as when a child is born, attending free playgroups and receiving Parents as Teachers home visitation program. The East Windsor FRC also offers a preschool program to families living in East Windsor. Our 5 day a week program offers children ages 3 and 4 an opportunity to learn in a fun and open-ended experience. The FRC also offers before and after school care for school aged children during the school year. The program offers care during school vacations and most holidays and provides funds for middle school, after school programming. Any questions should be directed to Kate Mable, 860-627-9741.

The East Windsor PTO is a non-profit organization whose members include parents, legal guardians, and staff from Broad Brook and East Windsor Middle School. The PTO's goal is to foster a nurturing and caring atmosphere that strives for continued parent involvement in helping build a better educational environment for our children. Through fundraising efforts, the PTO can fund scholarships, provide field trips, assemblies and other school activities just to name a few.

The East Windsor Preschool is an integrated program for students ages 3 and 4, both with and without disabilities. Students with disabilities participate in the program through special education programming while non-disabled students are able to participate in preschool through a lottery process and tuition. The PK lottery occurs annually in early March. Students not chosen in the lottery are included on our waiting list.

Broad Brook School located at 14 Rye Street serves approximately 500 students from PK - grade 4. At Broad Brook School, we focus on the whole child through academic and arts instruction and development of social emotional skills. We implement the philosophies of Responsive Classroom and Restorative Practices with the goal of teaching students how to participate as a member of a community and use pro-active problem-solving skills. Our academic instruction focuses on the Common Core Standards. Utilizing the workshop model, we provide direct instruction and frequent opportunities for students to work collaboratively and independently. We monitor student achievement and provide enrichment and remediation. Through our arts department we celebrate students' strengths through physical education activities, art shows and concerts. Laura Foxx, principal and Matthew Ryan, assistant principal can be reached at 860-623-2433.

East Windsor Middle School, 38 Main Street, Broad Brook, provides 5th grade students on teams of two teachers to aid in transition from elementary school. Students in grades 6-8 are scheduled with a middle-school, team-based approach. Teachers with subject area expertise provide high quality instruction for students who move between five grade level teachers. Specials at the middle school level include art; music including band and chorus; physical education and health; Library; and STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math). Courses for students performing at advanced academic levels include: Math Olympiad, Performance Literature, Foundation of Algebra for students in Grade7, Algebra for students in Grade 8 and an Independent Study for Talented and Gifted. Afterschool activities and clubs include the Art Club, Bey Blade, EWMS Newspaper, Invention Convention, Jazz Band, Math and Science, Ping Pong, Schematic Club, Select Chorus, United Sound and Yearbook. Timothy Field, principal and Colleen Bava, assistant principal can be reached at 860-623-4488.

East Windsor High School, 76 South Main Street, is proud to hold accreditation by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC). Small class sizes offer increased opportunity for individualized instruction. Along with traditional high school courses such as English, Social Studies, etc. students are offered electives such as, Forensics, World Language, and Financial Literacy. We offer multiple courses for students interested in Arts, Technology and Consumer Science. The school provides opportunity for students to start on their post-secondary path through Advanced Placement program, Early College Experience course and College Career Pathway courses. Students can accrue college credit through duel-enrollment courses in Biology, Chemistry, English, Calculus AB, Algebra II, US History and Psychology. EWHS also offers numerous ways for students to work with the community through service hours for graduation and clubs like National Honor Society, Leo Club and Student Government.

East Windsor High School offers varsity sports including softball, baseball, volleyball, track and soccer.

In the last 4 years, over 45% of the East Windsor High School student body participated in at least one sport season offered by East Windsor High School. We offer Cross Country (B/G), girls Volleyball, Soccer (B/G),

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The Town of East Windsor is offering a Deferred Tax Program to taxpayers on the 2019 Grand List for taxes due in July 2020 as required by the Governor's Executive Orders 7S and 7W. This means that taxpayers will have the option to delay paying their first installment taxes on their real estate, personal property, motor vehicle, sewer, C-Pace, and Fire District taxes until October 1, 2020 without interest or penalty. On October 2, 2020, interest will be charged back to the Original Due Date of July 1, 2020 (6% Interest) if not paid.

For taxpayers there is no application or notice needed.

Landlords, residential and commercial, need to apply. Application is on the Tax Collector's website and is DUE TO TAX COLLECTOR BY JULY 1, 2020.

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#### Trash will be collected on your scheduled pick up day. Please have your barrel out no later than 6:00 a.m. Recycling is every other week.

#### **Recycling Collected on light color Week**

#### Holidays Observed - No Collection

Collection schedule is delayed one day after the holiday for the remainder of the week. The delay does not extend into the week after a holiday. Wednesday, January 1st, **New Years Day** Monday, May 25th, **Memorial Day** Monday, September 7th, **Labor Day** Thursday, November 26th, **Thanksgiving** Friday, December 25th, **Christmas** Friday, January 1st, 2021, **New Years Day** 

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## EAST WINDSOR ELECTRONIC WASTE PROGRAM

Public Works Department, 6 Woolam Road, East Windsor | 860.292.7073 | Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

#### **Computer Items**

Laptops Monitors Peripherals (wires, mice, cables,other computer components) Mainframes Modems/Routers/Switches/Hubs

#### Office

Copiers Scanners Fax Machines Printers Toner & Inkjet Cartridges

#### Kitchen

Small appliances Refrigerators & Freezers Microwaves Vacuum Cleaners

#### Entertainment

DVD & CD Players IPods/Walkmen/PDAS Stereos & Radios Televisions & VCRs Video Games & Consoles



#### Other

Telephones Cell Phones Air Conditioners Batteries LED Bulbs Fluorescent Bulbs and Tubes



#### **Items NOT Accepted**

Car Batteries Battery operated toys Smoke Detectors Hazardous Liquids (motor oil, oil paint) Propane Tanks Stoves Washer/Dryers Dishwashers



For further information, please visit:

**CT DEEP Recycling Information at** 

https://portal.ct.gov/DEEP/Waste-Management-and-Dispos al/What-Do-I-Do-With

## East Windsor Mattress Recycling Program

We are pleased to announce our mattress collection site at the Department of Public Works at 6 Woolam Rd. Between the hours of 7:30 am and 3:00 pm | Monday thru Friday only | (860) 292-7073

#### This program is for East Windsor Residents Only Residents must stop in DPW Office prior to unloading



This program is provided by the Mattress Recycling Council of CT at no cost to the Town.

We are unable to accept heavily damaged, wet, twisted, frozen or soiled mattresses nor any mattresses that have bed bugs in them.

#### Also, we **DO NOT** accept the following:

Mattress pads or toppers, sleeping bags, pillows, car beds, juvenile products such as carriages, baskets, bassinets, dressing tables, strollers and playpens or their pads, infant carriers, lounge pads, crib bumpers, water beds or camping air mattresses, fold out sofa beds, futon mattresses or furniture.



## **The East Windsor Public Schools**

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Basketball (B/G), Indoor Track (B/G), Baseball, Softball and Outdoor Track and Field (B/G). East Windsor Athletics also offers co-ops in Football, Swim (B/G), Ice Hockey and Golf. Many of our teams and athletes have been recognized locally and state wide with over 50 NCCC all-conference honors in the last four years and over 13 All-State honorees. East Windsor Athletics takes pride in sportsmanship and academics with East Windsor Athletics being honored as a Class-Act school. Principal Allison Anderson and assistant principal, Barbara Kaminski can be reached at 860-623-3361.

The EWHS Booster Club is a group of dedicated parents/guardians who organize events for East Windsor High School students and is supported through fundraising efforts. The Boosters fund raise to plan and host an all-night safe graduation party for all graduating seniors, supplement purchasing of items for athletes, and provide financial support to clubs and teams on an as needed basis (depending on funds). In the fall, the Booster Club hosts three homecoming events for our students and families including renting lights for a doubleheader night soccer event, the powder puff football and cheer, and a homecoming dance for the whole student body. In the winter the Boosters sell tickets to home basketball games and concessions. The proceeds from sales at these events goes towards more than \$2,700 in scholarships that we award to seniors each year. Most recently, the Booster Club donated the funds to purchase the new lighted sign for EWHS. If you are interested in becoming a part of this growing organization, please contact, Kristin Blume, Co-President, at kblume70@gmail.com.

Special education services are provided for students from our integrated preschool program through transition programming. Students are provided with services based on individual need through the Planning and Placement Team. East Windsor provides special education instruction in inclusive and small group from K – 12. Speech and language, occupational therapy and physical therapy are provided for students on IEPs and Section 504 plans. Intensive programming is provided for students with social/emotional and behavioral needs, cognitive and developmental delays and diagnosis on the autism spectrum disorder. At EWHS, functional life skills and transition programming are provided, working with partner businesses in East Windsor and surrounding communities.

Child find screenings for students in preschool are scheduled the first Friday of each month and can be scheduled for any child in the community.

Questions about special education services or child find can be directed to Patrick Tudryn, Ed.D, 860-623-3346 extension 7403

The Curriculum Office oversees all professional development, curriculum development and student resources that are non-special education, such as support for homeless students, English as a Second Language and the Preschool registration process. Questions about any of these services can be addressed to Darryl Rouillard, 860-623-3346 extension 7415

The Food Service Program is a Farm to School program, working with local farmers to provide fresh, locally grown food. We provide

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## Mobile Foodshare Locations Around East Windsor 2020

	St. Catherine Church	Ellington LDS Church	Wapping Community Church	St. Robert Bellarmine Church
	6 Windsorville Road	2 Maple Street	1790 Ellington Rd	52 South Elm St
	Broad Brook	Ellington	South Windsor	Windsor Locks
	Every other Friday 1:00 – 1:30 P.M.	Every other Thursday 9:00 - 9:30 A.M.	Every other Thursday 11:30 A.M-12:00 P.M.	Every other Friday 9:00- 9:30 A.M.
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June	12, 26	4, 18	11, 25	12, 26
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#### **Mobile Foodshare**

brings perishable foods including fresh fruits and vegetables, dairy, meat, and bread directly to people in need.

This service is available to everyone 16 years and older.

Truck visits each site every two weeks.

No identification needed.

Please remember to bring your own bags

For the entire Mobile Foodshare schedule visit:

www.Foodshare.org - Find Help - Mobile Foodshare

To check for cancelations visit our website or call 860-856-4321

If schools are canceled due to weather, Mobile Foodshare is canceled.

#### **Mobile Texting**

Text **FOODSHARE** to **85511** to receive the mobile schedule and cancelations alerts directly on your phone.

Created by the East Windsor Hunger Action Team January 2020

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breakfast and lunch to students daily following USDA guidelines under the Healthy Foods program, including whole grains, fruits and vegetables along with healthy beverage options. New foods are offered on a regular basis by our friendly and caring cafeteria staff who encourage students to try new foods.

Our nursing staff provides services including medication administration, assessment of injury and illness, and other types of family and student supports. The Health Care Coordinator oversees all district nursing services and health and wellness services. She also serves as a key member of the Safety Committee regarding safety and security protocols. Questions regarding district nursing and health care services should be directed to Wendy Gage, RN at 860-623-3361 extension 7401.

Social workers provide counseling services in addition to behavior support for students, teachers and families. They conduct small and classroom-based groups, address students experiencing immediate safety issues and act as a liaison to private counseling providers. Our Safe School Climate Coordinator oversees the development and implementation of our safe school climate work and Restorative Practice. Questions regarding school social work services should be directed to Don Casella, LICSW at 860-623-3361 extension 7209

Community members who desire to volunteer in the East Windsor Public Schools are invited to contact the Human Resource Department at 860-623-3346 extension 7408. Employment opportunities within the East Windsor schools can be found on www.schoolspring.

## **Social Services**

The Social Services Department is an essential part of the community, providing assistance with social, emotional, and economic needs while helping clients to attain self-sufficiency and maintain economic well-being.

Our department helps individuals and families access assistance with their energy needs through the Connecticut Energy Assistance Program. We have processed 307 applications since September providing a total of \$221,903 in assistance.

Operation Fuel is an emergency energy needs program that assists households that have exhausted their energy assistance or were not eligible for energy assistance. To date, we have submitted 10 applicants and \$5000 was granted to those households.

The Senior Farmers' Market Nutrition Program provides eligible seniors access to fresh produce with coupons (worth \$18 total) that can be used at local farmers' markets. This year we handed out 33 coupon booklets for a total market cash value of \$594.

Our Back to School Program provides backpacks, school supplies, and shoe vouchers to 117 children. This Program allows each child to start off the new school year with a fresh start.

We strive to provide holiday joy as we partner with the Community Wellness Association and Five Corner Cupboard food pantry to provided Thanksgiving and Christmas Food baskets for families in need this season. We provided food for a total of 475 families for both holidays, respectively. We partner with organizations and residents in the community to provide holiday gifts to families we serve. Our combined efforts brightened the holidays for 198 children.

Our Power Pack program is run in conjunction with Parks and Recreation and the Hunger Action Team. We are providing 76 backpacks of food every Friday during the school year. The packs are filled with nutritious food and snack items for the child and their family. Food provided is meant to supplement what the family is able to provide over the weekend.

Renters Rebate Program runs from April 1 to October 1. This program provides a one-time payment to renters based on income, rent and utilities that were paid in the year (2019). Applicants must be 65 years old by December 31, 2019 or be permanently disabled as defined by Social Security and be at least 18 years of age by December 31, 2019. The income limits (including Social Security) are as follows: Single-\$37,000.00; Married- \$45,100.00.

These programs are just a few of the services that we are highlighting. In addition to case management, we assist our clients by referring them to resources through SNAP outreach, CHR, 211, and other local and staterun agencies. Each day is different in our office and we are constantly reaching out to gain the knowledge to help our clients in their time of need. If you or someone you know is in need please reach out to us at 860-623-2430.

## Compassionate & Caring



The Caring Funeral Directors at Pietras Funeral Homes provide specialized Funeral Services designed to meet the needs of each family. Our professional dedicated staff will assist you in making funeral service arrangements. We will guide you through all aspects of the funeral, from pre-need planning, casket options, cremations, flowers to local accommodations. Feel free to contact one of our licensed funeral directors at any time... Philip & Jessica Pietras, Jennifer A. West, Jacqueline L. Teske, Corrine M. Jones and Haley S. Bohadik. We are here to help you with any questions you may have. Email: pietrasfhs@att.net



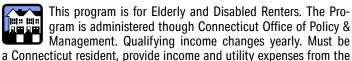
Small & Pietras Funeral Home 65 Elm St, Rockville - Vernon CT 860-875-0703

Burke - Fortin Funeral Home 76 Prospect St, Rockville - Vernon CT 860-875-5490

Coventry - Pietras Funeral Home 2665 Boston Tpk (Rte 44), Coventry CT 860-742-1255

Tolland Memorial Funeral Home 375 Merrow Rd., Tolland CT 860-875-1415

#### "Renters Rebate"



previous year.

Applications are accepted from April 1st through October 1st

#### Salvation Army – Camp Connri in Ashford, Connecticut



This is a camp that is offered through the Salvation Army for children from the ages of 7 - 13. The camp stay is for a week and the average cost is \$35.00. See EW Social Services in late Spring.

#### "Pack-It-Back-to-School"



This program provides each student with a new back pack filled with the essential items to successfully complete a school year. We also provide a shoe youcher or a new pair of New Balance Sneakers. Please sign up in the months of June

& July.

#### "Holiday Baskets"



Thanksgiving and Christmas are very special times for families to have a healthy dinner together and East Windsor Social Services along with the East Windsor Visiting Nurses and the Five Corner Cupboard work together to provide income/

asset gualified families that opportunity to have a complete Holiday Dinner.

Sign up August - October

#### "Christmas"



The "Adopted a Family Program" is a program that East Windsor Human Services, Local Business, Churches and Individual come together to make sure that the income/asset gualified families receive Christmas assistance. For children ages 2 – 12.

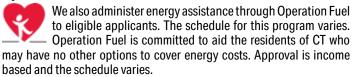
Sign-up September - October

#### "Energy Assistance"



We administer an energy assistance program for clients who meet income/asset eligibility guidelines. This program provides assistance for heating (i.e. oil, kerosene, propane, electric & gas). The Energy Assistance Program operates through the Community Renewal Team. Applications are taken from: September through May.

#### **Operation Fuel**



#### **Food Assistance**

#### **Five Corner Cupboard** Located First Congregational Church of EW



The Food Bank for Town of East Windsor residents, helps some of our citizens that find themselves on a tight budget. All clients must renew their application yearly at the East Windsor Social Services office located at 25 School Street, East Windsor, CT 06088

#### **East Windsor Hunger Action Team**

**MERRACKS** This Program is for the students at the Broad Brook Ele-mentary School. Children receive nutritious snacks and meals for the weekend in a Back Pack. The Back Pack goes home on Friday full and the child brings the empty Back Pack on Monday. If you are interested, you can come to EW Social Services to sign up for this program.

#### **Mobile Food Share:**

Hands out donated food to anyone no questions asked you must bring your own shopping bag. Open 1:00 - 1:30 p.m. on the following dates in 2020: Jan. 10 & 24, Feb. 7 & 21, Mar. 6 & 20, Apr. 3 & 17, May 1, 15 & 29, Jun. 12 & 26, Jul. 10 & 24, Aug. 7 & 21, Sept. 4 & 18, Oct 2, 16 & 30, Nov. 13 and Dec. 11.

#### State, Legal & Financial Agencies

#### Food Stamps:

Interested individuals must fill out an application with the Department of Social Services and meet income guidelines. Apply at either EW Social Services: 25 School Street, East Windsor, CT 06088, Phone Number 860-623-2430 or DSS: 699 East Middle Turnpike, Manchester, CT 06040, Phone Number 1-800-859-6646.

#### **Department of Social Services:**

Cash assistance and other State Run Programs are income eligible, i.e. you must meet income and asset guidelines. They are located at 699 East Middle Turnpike, Manchester, CT 06040, Phone Number 1-800-859-6646.

#### Care 4 Kids:

This Program is run by the State of Connecticut which assists income eligible families with daycare costs. Qualified applicants will receive a day care certificate to be used for day care and will be responsible for a portion of day care costs.

1 person \$28,638.74, 2 person \$37,450.66,

3 person \$46,262.58, 4 person \$55,074.50

1344 Silas Deane Highway, Rocky Hill, CT 06067

Phone Number 1-888-214-5437

#### **Greater Hartford Legal Aid:**

Is a not-for-profit legal services agency whose staff helps clients with civil legal issues. We are advocates, primarily lawyers and paralegals, who use our resources and know how to help people who have little money. We seek to equalize power and influence and see that all people are treated fairly. 999 Asylum Ave., 3rd Floor, Hartford, CT 06105 Phone Number 860 541-5000

#### **Child Support Enforcement:**

Helps with the pursuit of responsible child support.

699 East Middle Turnpike, Manchester, CT 06401

1-800-859-6646

#### **Housing Court:**

This is the first step for starting with legal issues regarding renter and/or your landlord's rights and responsibilities.

80 Washington St., Hartford, CT 06106 (860) 756-7920

#### **Network Against Domestic Abuse of North Central CT:**

Provides counseling and shelter for victims of domestic violence. Located at: 139 Hazard Ave., Enfield, CT 06082 Phone Number 860-763-4661

#### Homeless Shelter: Please call 211

#### **Health Services**

#### **Husky Health Care:**

Is designed to help all children who don't have health insurance. It includes services under the traditional Medicaid Program aka HUSKY part A. It also provides health care services for children in higher income families called HUSKY part B. Call HUSKY at 1-877-284-8759 for more information or to apply.

#### **Community Health Care Center, Inc. of Enfield:**

Provides medical care to uninsured or underinsured families. Please call for more information or to schedule an appointment. 5 North Main St., Enfield, CT 06082 Phone Number 860-253-9024

#### **East Hartford Community Healthcare:**

Provides medical care to adults, children and elderly in need. Includes referrals for substance abuse and mental health counseling. Uninsured and underinsured accepted (sliding fee scale). Payment plans are available. Hours are Mon.-Thurs. 7:00 am –7:00 pm, Fri. Medical 8:00 am – 5:00 pm., Fri. Dental 8:00 am – 4:30 pm. 94 Connecticut Blvd., East Hartford, CT 06108 Phone Number 860-528-1359

#### **Manchester Community Health Services:**

Provides dental care to adults and children in need. Uninsured and underinsured accepted (sliding fee scale). Offers Payment plans. Hours Mon & Wed 7:00 am – 7:00 pm, Tue. & Thurs, 8:00 am – 5:00 pm. Fri. 8:00 am – 4:30 pm. Closed for lunch 1:00 – 1:30.

#### 211 - Is a great place for information!!!!!!

The 5 Corner Cupboard will close if the schools are closed due to inclement weather. If there is a school delay the Cupboard will be open as usual. Check with WFSB and or WFSB.com for weather closings.





#### Senior Center

The East Windsor Senior Center continues to be an essential part of our community, meeting their needs in a variety of ways. The Senior Center provides several benefits such as: medical transpor-

tation, socialization and trips, monthly entertainment, educational programs, a nutrition program, exercise programs, arts and crafts, and senior outreach. We screen for eligibility of basic needs programs, provide information and referrals, and review Medicare Part D plans. To learn more about our Senior Center please call us at 860-292-8262 or visit us on Facebook at East Windsor Senior Services. We also have a monthly newsletter located at https://www. eastwindsor-ct.gov/senior-services.

This year we:

• Instituted a "Taste of Friday's". The idea for this group (and name) came from our focus group. "Taste of Friday's" picks a new

restaurant to try once a month. They then rate it based on food, service, atmosphere, etc. We add the rating to our newsletter, as well.

We have worked closely with local businesses to bring programs into the Senior Center. Big Y Pharmacy has come to the center many times over the past year to present on topics such as sun safety, importance of vaccines, heart health and prescription drug disposal. Geissler's has also come to the center to speak about their "Thyme Savor Inspired Meal Bags" for seniors who are living on a budget and/or cooking for one. These meals offer a healthy alternative to frozen dinners that many of our seniors have turned to for their meals. The East Windsor Police Department came to the center to speak about community safety, scams and even what to do in an active shooter situation. We have attended high school and elementary school concerts and the EWHS Leo club came to visit us as well. Local nursing homes and assisted living facilities have provided us with Lunch and Learns over the past year and have sponsored many BINGOs.

#### May

- **Goals:** To bring in more seniors by offering activities that appeal to different ages such as more fitness programs and possibly trips that require physical activity like a hiking or biking club.
- Intergenerational outreach: We are looking to start a mentoring program with our public/school system.

The East Windsor Senior Transportation Program (known as Dial-A-Ride) started September 1, 1978. It was housed in Park Hill and the van that was used was owned by the housing authority and leased to the Town. It was supervised by the Elderly Commission.

In February of 1980 the Dial-A-Ride program was moved to the new Senior Center. Through a grant from the North Central Connecticut Agency on Aging, in March of 1980 the Town obtained a 2<sup>nd</sup> vehicle. We now have two 20-passenger vehicles and one



12-passenger vehicle. We also have a Town car to use when necessary. Over the years, we have received grants through the Greater Hartford Transit District and through the Department of Trans-

portation. Through a grant, we receive 80% of the cost of a new vehicle and the Town is responsible for the remaining 20%. We expect the newest grant to be offered this spring. Our transportation program is very successful in providing an important need for our seniors as a very large percentage of them do not drive any longer. We are able to bring them to their medical appointments, for grocery shopping, for lunch at the center every day, to pick up prescriptions, to the food pantry and to Mobile Food share among many other places they need to go. We also offer transportation for our social trips and for programs we offer at the center.

We have had many successes among our se-

niors. We consider it a success when a senior initially uses our transportation for a medical appointment or grocery shopping only and then begins coming to the center every day for lunch or programs. This often happens because they make friends with other seniors on the bus and those friends persuade them to come. We believe at the center that the senior's socialization with others is very important. At the center, we also try to be very welcoming to our seniors. One of the ways we've been able to do that in the Transportation Program is by running a program called "Trivia with Teresa". By doing this program, department staff are able to have time with the seniors and provide a program that is good for their cognitive health and also may help with memory issues. We share many laughs during the program and enjoy hosting it so much. The seniors are happy that our staff is so involved with them, and they have also stated that it makes them feel "like we are their second family." What a wonderful compliment to the staff! Kathy Adams has said that she "likes the friendly people we have on our bus; it makes her happy".

On the nutrition side of things, our Café served 6,058 meals this year. These meals are prepared by CRT and delivered each day to the center. Our nutrition volunteers help us to decorate, serve, and make our seniors dining experience wonderful each day.

If you are interested in coming to lunch at the center, please call us at 860-292-8279 by 10:00 a.m. the day before. Meals are for seniors 60 and older and are a suggested donation of \$2.50 per day. The monthly socials still prove to be a fan favorite among our seniors.

For those seniors in town that are home bound we partnered with CRT again and our amazing Meals on Wheels (MOW) volunteer drivers graciously delivered 6,862 meals. We are always in need of MOW drivers. Call us at 860-292-8279 to find out more about becoming a MOW driver.

This year we also continued to develop partnerships with the schools and local businesses hosting students and receiving donations for different lunch and learn opportunities.

#### To the past, present, and future residents of East Windsor,

It is with renewed tidings and the optimism that spring heralds, that we, the East Windsor Building Department present you a long overdue indication of our progress for "all things buildings" in our town.

Within the scope of our harried lives we rush to and from, glancing about as we constantly think of the next task at hand. Sometimes, we can't see the forest through the trees.

You, the good people of East Windsor, play a front and center role in the workings of the Building Department. If you've not taken advantage of meeting us, allow me to introduce you to us.

Me, I'm Rand Stanley, the Building Official/Inspector. I've been on the job since 2002, on the go, inspection to inspection, performing plan reviews, e-mails, returning calls, meetings, classes, etc. I am, and will always be, accessible. If you have a question or concern, I want to help.

The Assistant to the Building Official, Mrs. Virginia "Ginny" Powers, has been full time since 2008. Let me tell you a secret. Ginny actually runs the office. I'm the supervisor, but she is the boss. This town, me included, is in so much better building shape since Ginny came to work with us. She points us all in the right direction every day, is a pleasure to work with, and has great customer service skills.



The Administrative Part-Time Clerk, Mark Liljedahl. (Say lilyah-doll) Mark has been a familiar part-time face for our office since 2015. His position is a constant blur of support for Ginny and me. Answering phones, processing permits, scheduling inspections, providing customer and in-house staff support. Mark is a valued member of our "team", which is what we are. Communication is key to understanding each other, each project, and each permit.

Please use us as a community resource. We exist to provide you with the options available through the Connecticut State Building Code(s). The Building Department seeks compliance to this set of minimum standards for ..." all things built". This is limited to buildings and structures. If you have any questions, please feel confident that when you do, you will talk to a person, receive a return call or e-mail, or maybe even an onsite consultation if needed. We are here to assist you, provide answers to your questions, and guide you to a place of safety, comfort, and enjoyment within the built environment. We have extensive resources at hand.

We have seen steady, constant construction and progress over the last 20 years. That moderate growth, at one time, propelled East Windsor to the top of the list of fastest growing towns in Connecticut. Many times, this construction is in one of the four corners of our community's five villages. Some of this growth is the Super Walmart, we just completed extensive renovation of the previous La Renaissance Banquet Facility to the Crossroads Community Cathedral, relocation of a major aerospace component manufacturer, the future site of the IEBW offices and training center, acquisition of the UTC building to Lincoln Technical Institute, a vocational training facility. New residential subdivisions and apartment complexes,

East Windsor has embraced growth, and now we're prepared for the next level with available land for commercial, industrial, and residential prosperity, and with some of the most productive farmland in the world. We are only minutes from Bradley International Airport. What's not to love?

We have a lot to be thankful for, and a lot more growing to do. Get on board, tell your friends and business acquaintances that we are prepared to partner in your prosperity, and we are here to help. Warmest Regards,

> Rand D. Stanley Building Official





## Dog licenses are due from June 1st through June 30th for all dogs six months old or older.

Licenses may be obtained in person, or by mail. Per Connecticut General Statutes 22-338(b) and 22-338, you must provide us with a current valid rabies certificate and a spay/neuter certificate (if applicable).

If you want to license your dog through the mail, please mail the following items to: Town Clerk, 11 Rye St., Broad Brook, CT 06016.

- 1. Check made out to: "Town of East Windsor" for the applicable fee.
- 2. Late fees included in check (if applicable).
- 3. Current valid rabies certificate.
- 4. Spay/Neuter certificate (if applicable).

## Self-addressed stamped envelope for the return of the dog license, dog tag, rabies certificate and spay/neuter certificate.

The Town Clerk's office hours are Mon.-Wed. 8:30-4:30, Thurs. 8:30-7:00 and Fri. 8:30-1:00. For more information about dog licenses, call the Town Clerk's Office at (860) 292-8255.

#### **Dog License Fees:**

Neutered Male or Spayed Female	\$8.00
Male or Female (not spayed or neutered)	\$19.00
Kennel (10 tags)	\$51.00
Guide Dogs	FREE
Lost Tags	\$.50
Transfer from another CT town	\$.50
Transfer of ownership within town (if already licensed)	\$1.00
Late Penalty\$1.00 per month or fraction thereof- sta	rting in July



## East Windsor Chamber of Commerce

The East Windsor Chamber of Commerce believes that East Windsor is "Where the Sun Rises" on business and community. Why?

Because East Windsor has managed to combine commercial corridors and rural living as part of our community's development.

For business, it has many opportunities to locate and expand in business-zoned areas with assistance from a knowledgeable Town Planning Department. The Town provides excellent incentives for new commercial or refurbished infrastructure.

Our location midway between Hartford, Connecticut and Springfield, Massachusetts and our proximity to Bradley International Airport makes East Windsor a perfect choice to locate your business here.

For that same reason it is also an excellent choice to hold business conferences/events due to our hotels, banquet facilities and restaurants.

East Windsor continues to be a perfect example of "Hometown America", from our abundant farmland and homes, big and small.

Our school system continues to improve opportunities for young people, and our sports teams achieve well beyond what is expected.

"East Windsor Where the Sun Rises on Business and Community" is not just a saying but a FACT!

Visit East Windsor Chamber of Commerce's website at www. eastwindsorchamber.com or contact our Executive Director James "Jimbo" Richards at *jim@eastwindsorchamber.com* for more information on how you can be "Where the Sun Rises".



## The Library Association of Warehouse Point



#### 107 Main Street, East Windsor, CT 06088

HOURS: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday 10:00-8:00; Thursday, Friday, Saturday 10:00-5:00 Phone: 860-623-5482 | Fax: 860-627-6823 | www.warehousepointlibrary.info

#### **ONLINE RESOURCES**

The Library Association of Warehouse Point has many remotely accessible resources online available to the residents of East Windsor through our website: ww.warehousepointlibrary.info.



TumbleBooks' databases are easy to use, and feature unlimited access from home! You can read as many books as you want, when you want, and on any device. There are no check-outs, holds, or bulky downloads. Books are available instantly. Choices include ebooks and math activities for K – 6, teen ebooks for grades 7 - 12, and audiobooks and romance novels for adults.

Other databases available through our website include:

- · Access to JobNow for help with employment and training,
- Freegal free downloadable music
- Access to researchIT Connecticut automated databases provided by the Connecticut State Library
- Libby Overdrive access to ebooks, magazines, and audiobooks
- Universal Class over 500 online classes from accounting to wildlife rehabilitation



On Thursday, March 5th, East Windsor Parks & Recreation held its **Annual Hot Shots Contest** at East Windsor High School. The Hot Shots Contest, sponsored by the Connecticut Recreation and Parks Association, is a fun, simple, state-wide basketball shooting contest for boys and girls ages 9-15. Each player is given three, one-minute rounds to shoot from "hotspots" placed on the court in an attempt to rack up the most points. Winners from each age group at the local meet get to advance to the state competition, which is held in Old Saybrook in the spring.

This year's event brought us our biggest turnout yet! We were pleasantly surprised and happy to see a great turnout of both boys and girls with all age groups being represented. After all competitors got a chance

#### **Movies You Might Have Missed** Tuesdays at 1 p.m

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May 5	Harriet
May 12	Motherless Brooklyn
May 19	Knives Out





**May 27th** at 6:30 - Club Tech! is a program designed for ages 7-12 years to engage with technology and science in a fun and creative atmosphere!

**MAY 20th** to June 6th - The All School Art Show opening Reception - 5:30 to 7pm on May 20

**May 20t**h – 1pm – Book Discussion – *The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks* by Rebecca Skloot



to warm up, go over the rules and ask questions, it was time to get the first round under way!

Our own East Windsor High School boys' and girls' basketball teams lent a hand in providing support as scorers, referees and runners. Both participants and spectators displayed a great amount of sportsmanship for everyone competing; cheering each other on and offering support.

At the end of the evening a total of 17 boys and girls participated, bringing non-perishable food donations to benefit the East Windsor Power Pack Program. Seven will be moving on to compete at the state level: Allen Pelletier, Ava Polastry-Jones, Reese Coffey, Brandon Dupont, Kendall Coffey, Samantha Ruggiero and Tatyanna Nogeurra.

## East Windsor Park Pavilion

27 Reservoir Ave | Broad Brook, CT 06016

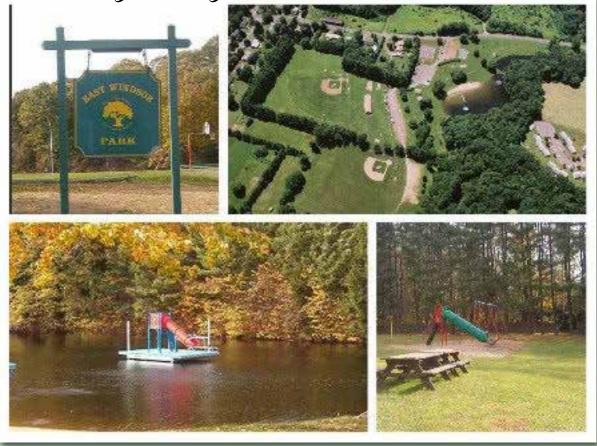
#### Looking for a place to hold a

- 1. Graduation Party
- 2. Family Reunion
- 3. Church Picnic
- 4. Birthday Party
- 5. Employee's picnic

#### Facility includes:

Waterfront Pavilions, Snack Bar (seasonal), Shuffleboard, Ballfields (one lighted), Volleyball, Horseshoes, Grills, Tennis and Basketball Courts (lighted)





#### **Directions to Park**

From I-91 North or South, Exit 45, from northbound turn right onto Route 140, from Southbound turn left onto Route a140. Continue east on Route 140 for 4 miles. Turn right at light at top of hill onto Route 191. Continue on Route 191 through traffic light to first stop sign. Bear left at stop sign onto Windsorville Road. At next stop sign turn left onto Reservoir Avenue. East Windsor Park is about 1⁄4 mile ahead on the left.

#### For more information:

Contact Irene Mosher at East Windsor Parks and Recreation,860-698-1511,*imosher@eastwindsorct.com*. Registrations can be complete online by going to the East Windsor town web site, Park and Recreation, Sportsman SQL Online Registration Portal Link. Town of East Windsor 11 Rye Street Broad Brook, CT 06016

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