October-December













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# INTERGENERATIONAL CENTER **QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER**

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# **CENTER INFORMATION**



The Kinship Care Resource Center provides a variety of experiences to its members that includes educational programming and classes, fitness, aquatic classes, events, dances, health and wellness programs, and socialization.

# **OUR STAFF**

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Center Manager	Lesile Callier
Program Coordinator	Gbemisola Onalty
Case Manager	(vacant)
Kinship Leader	Kellie Smith
Office Assistant	(vacent)
Office Assistant	Linda Dennis
Program Aide	(vacent)
Tutor	Coach Perry Abrams
Tutor	Shequilla Roman
Tutor	Gayle Wolfson
Tutor	Normeaka Champion

Thanksgiving Holiday November 28 & 29, 2024 Christmas Holiday December 24 & 25, 2024

# **HOURS OF OPERATION**

#### **Center Hours**

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday: 8:30am - 6:30pm

# **Cultural Arts Administrator**

**Omari Jones** 

omari.jones@claytoncountyga.gov Office: 770 347-0150





# **WELCOME**

Kinship Care Resource Center provides resources for grandparents and other relatives raising children in parentabsent homes. The Center offers direct and referral services for adults, teens, and youth including case management, tutoring, financial and educational workshops, computer training, and day and overnight trips.

Enrollment for Kinship Care services is open to all Clayton County grandparents raising grandchildren and other relative caregivers in parent-absent homes.

Applicant must bring proof of residency, custody/guardianship papers, and social security cards for children in their care. New Client intakes and orientations are done every Wednesday and Thursday by appointment.





# **PROGRAMMING**

# **SPECIAL EVENTS**

Fall Festival Halloween Party

Thanksgiving Luncheon & Desert Contest

**Annual Open House** 

Kinship Christmas Celebration

DATE ADMISSION

10/25/24 4:30PM Free

11/22/24 10AM =

12/5/24 11AM

12/5/24 HAM 12/11/24 HAM Free

ACTIVITIES DATE ADMISSION

Computer Literacy

Black American Sign Language

Skin Care Techniques

**Tutoring Orientation** 

Obstacle Course Challenge

**Water Aerobics** 

Line Dancing Class

Kinship To Greace

Parenting a Second Time Around

Learn Spanish and Lunch

Easy Garlic Toast

Bedazzle Piggy Bank

Fall Adult Crafts

Spin Wheel

Portrait Printmaking

**Holiday Ornaments** 

Fruit Pizza

Coffee Filter Leaves

THURS 10/17/24 Free WED 11/13/24 - 12/81/24 Free THUR 10/24/24 Free THURS. 10/13/24 Free

THURS 10/10/24

FRI 12/27/24

WED 11/14/24 THURS 10/03/24

TUES 10/08/24 - 11/5/24

FRI 10/4/24 MON 11/21/24

WED 12/11/24

THURS 10/17/24

TUE 10/24/24

WED 11/20/24

FRI 11/15/24

WED 10/16/24 WED 10/16/24

12/13/24

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TRIPS DATE ADMISSION

Pin Strikes Bowling / Youth 5-11

Top Golf / Teens 12-17

Urban Nutcracker

Holiday Lights Callaway Gardens

Twas The Night Before Christmas

10/8/24 FREE 10/10/24 FREE 11/18/24 FREE 12/19/24 FREE

FREE

# **ADVISORY BOARD**

#### **ROLES**

President - Lesli Sirls Vice President - Doris Shaffer Treasurer - Yvette Dennis Secretary - Angelita Worthy (Angel) Join the Advisory Board Meeting on the 3rd or 4th Wed 10:30 am or 5:30 pm. Check the Kinship monthly calerdar or call for details.

CONTACT: Lesli Sirls 1 313 971-6317 Doris Shaffer 678-788-5129

# **VOLUNTEER PROGRAM**

The mission of the volunteer program is to assist Senior Services and programs, that promote independence, dignity, and enhance the quality of life while providing a safe and caring environment.

if you would like to be a volunteer at our center, please contact Kinship at 770-347-5788.



# **CLUBS & GROUPS**

Kinship Care Resource Center offers a variety of clubs for our members to join. Register online at <a href="https://www.myactivecenter.com">www.myactivecenter.com</a> to participate.

# **AVAILABLE CLUBS**

Quilting Club
Adult Support Group
Butterfly Project
Gardening

Embroidery Photography

# **OUR COMMUNITY**

# FEATURED STAFF MEMBER

# SHEQUILLA ROMAN



Ms. Roman is always upbeat and optimistic! She blesses the Kinship staff and caregivers with energy each day. There is never a boring moment when Ms. Roman is around, creating monthly themes for the children that she tutors, decorating the office or bringing chocolate covered strawberries for the staff!



She is an independent and humble lady who helps the Kinship team bond together, she is an active listener and makes everyone feel respected and understood. The children that she tutors love her and she always gives them candy! Thank you for your years of service to the Kinship family!



# **AGING PROGRAM**

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The Aging Program is funded through a Federal grant that is administered through the Atlanta Regional Commission (ARC). Congress passed the Older Americans Act (OAA) in 1965 in response to concern by policymakers about a lack of community social services for older persons. The law also established the Administration on Aging (AoA) to administer the newly created grant programs to address the special needs of older Americans.





Information & Assistance Specialists assess the individual's long and short-term needs, identifying resources to meet those needs, providing a referral to identified resources, and, when appropriate, following up to ensure that the individual's needs have been met.

Case Managers determines who qualifies for our free services. They average about 80 clients each.

**Transportation Services** include demand/response services, dialysis appointments, and transportation of clients to our Congregate Program.



MEALS ON WHEELS

In partnership with Program Open Hands who brings chilled meals for both MOW clients and frozen lunches for Clayton Senior Adult Program participants at the Frank Bailey Senior Center.

# **CENTERS INFORMATION**

Senior Services Centers For Seniors 55+	Office Number	Location	
FRANK BAILEY SENIOR CENTER	(678) 479-5505	6213 Riverdale Road, Riverdale	
J. CHARLEY GRISWELL CENTER	(770) 477-3499	2300 Highway 138, Jonesboro	
SONNA GREGORY SENIOR CENTER	(770) 347-0340	3215 Anvil Block Road, Ellenwood	
Intergenerational Center For Caregivers, Grandparents, and Youth - Teens			
KINSHIP CARE RESOURCE CENTER	(770) 473-5788	849 Battle Creek Road, Jonesboro	
<b>Cultural Arts Center</b>			
For Youth, Teens, Adults, and Seniors			
FLINT RIVER COMMUNITY CENTER	(770) 347-0370	153 Flint River Road, Riverdale	
Aging Program For Seniors 55+			
AGING PROGRAM	(770) 603-4050	877 Battle Creek Road, Jonesboro	

## **Mission Statement**

To deliver services and programs that promote independence, dignity and enhances the quality of life while providing a safe and caring environment for older adults, relative caregivers, youth, teens, adults and families.





# SENIOR SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

#### **Senior Services Admin**

**DIRECTOR** ASSISTANT DIRECTOR **DEPUTY ADMINISTRATOR** 

DEPUTY ADMINISTRATOR (Senior Center)

**CULTURAL ARTS ADMINISTRATOR** SPECIAL EVENTS COORDINATOR **ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY** OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR, SENIOR

OFFICE MANAGER

ADMINISTRATIVE COORDINATOR

Tori Strawter-Tanks Melissa Myers-Bristol

Tonette White

Kendra Shepard

Omari Jones

Brandi Rocker

Aretha Mattox

Christie Essien

Mai Toussant

Toni Freeman

The Director and Assistant Director of Clayton County Senior Services Department are responsible for ensuring the Clayton County Aging Program, Senior Centers and Intergenerational Centers are operating effectively and efficiently. We accomplish this goal by hiring passionate, competent and dedicated leaders to directly oversee facilities, services and programs.

If you have any issues or concerns while participating in our services or programs please reach out to the Center Manager or Administrators who's contact information is included in the staffing section of this newsletter.

In the event your issues or concerns are not resolved please reach out to the Assistant Director of Clayton County Senior Services Department who oversees the Aging, Cultural Arts and Senior Center Deputy Administrators.

The Director of Senior Services has an open-door policy which encourages open communication, feedback and discussion about any matter of importance to members and clients. Therefore, if your issues or concerns are not resolved on the aforementioned levels











# YOU DON'T HAVE TO WAIT TO SWITCH

to a **5 out of 5-Star** rated Medicare Health Plan for 2023\*



# KAISER PERMANENTE MEDICARE HEALTH PLANS

Rated 5 out of 5 Stars in Georgia in 2023\* – Medicare's highest possible rating – get great care and great value with Kaiser Permanente Senior Advantage (HMO). Find out how our distinctive services work together to give you more control and convenience – to help you live well and thrive.



Would you like to learn more about Medicare or a Kaiser Permanente Medicare health plan? Just give me, your local Kaiser Permanente Medicare specialist, a call for more information.

# Nakia Vaughn Kaiser Permanente Medicare specialist

470-352-7929 (TTY 711) Nakia.R.Vaughn@kp.org



Kaiser Permanente is an HMO and HMO-POS plan with a Medicare contract. Enrollment in Kaiser Permanente depends on contract renewal. You must reside in the Kaiser Permanente Medicare health plan service area in which you enroll. Kaiser Foundation Health Plan of Georgia, Inc., Nine Piedmont Center, 3495 Piedmont Road NE, Atlanta, GA 30305.

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<sup>\*</sup> Every year, Medicare evaluates plans based on a 5-star rating system.



# DESSERT CONTEST & THANKSCIVING SULUNCHEON

Let us give thanks and break bread with our Kinship family.

Come and join us on this day for a lovely lunch and a time to show gratitude to each other and our lives. Also, register for the dessert contest to see if you deserve the title of Best Baker!

**November 22, 2024** 

**REGISTER NOW!** 

10:00AM-1:00PM



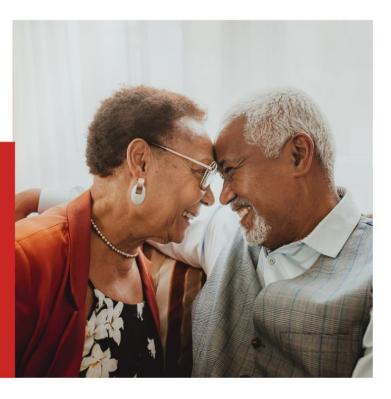
Clayton County Senior Services Department does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, gender, religion, age, or disability in the provision of programs and services. Individuals with disabilities are encouraged to register for activities, programs, and services.





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# OUR SERVICES



#### MEDICARE HEALTH PLANS

For everyone who has a red, white, and blue card. Also known as your Medicare card.



### LIFE INSURANCE

For everyone who needs our help with selecting the right life insurance policy for their unique circumstances.



#### **HEALTH INSURANCE**

For everyone who does not have Medicare, but needs health insurance.



# LONG TERM CARE

For everyone who needs medical and non-medical coverage over an extended period of time.



admin@axxessbenefits.com

# **CRITICAL ILLNESS**

For everyone who wants protection and security from a life-changing illness





