Kinship Care Resource Center



January – March 2025

THE PLACE FOR GRANDPARENTS, RELATIVE CAREGIVERS, AND THEIR FAMILIES





Where the World Lands and Opportunities Take Off

INTERGENERATIONAL CENTER QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER

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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.





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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

| Center Manager | Leslie Callier |
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| Program Coordinator | Gbemisola Onalty |
| | Kathyrn Gayle Wolfson |
| Kinship Leader | Kellie Smith |
| Office Assistant | (vacant) |
| Office Assistant | Linda Dennis |
| Program Aide | Felita Daniely |
| Tutor | Coach Perry Abrams Shequilla Roman |
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| Tutor | Gayle Wolfson |
| Tutor | Normeaka Champion |

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

CENTER CLOSURES

Martin Luther King Jr Day - Jan 20



PROGRAMMING

| SPECIAL EVENTS | DATE | ADMISSION |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------|-----------|
| Western Valentine's Party | 02/14/2025 4:30PM | Free |
| Mardi Gras Carnival & Parade | 03/21/2025 4:30PM | Free |
| ACTIVITIES | DATE | ADMISSION |
| Microsoft Word | WED 01/15/25 | Free |
| Black American Sign Language | THUR 1/16/25 & 1/23/25 | Free |
| Sock N Bop Craft (youth) | WED 1/22/25 | Free |
| Candle Holders | WED 1/22/25 | Free |
| Virtual Driving Skills (Teens) | WED 1/22/25 | Free |
| Acting 101 (Teens) | WED 1/29/25 | Free |
| Acting 101 (Youth) | WED 1/30/25 | Free |
| Evening Dinner & Support Group | FRI 1/31/25 | Free |
| FDIC-Money Smart for Caregivers | THUR 2/06/25 | Free |
| Gardening 101 | WED 2/12/25 | Free |
| Teen Rap Contest | WED 2/12/25 | Free |
| Button On Canvas Craft (Youth) | WED 2/19/25 | Free |
| DIY Flower Pot (Teens) | WED 2/19/25 | Free |
| Kinship to West Africa | THUR 2/6/25 | Free |
| Fingerprint Glass Magnets (Teens) | WED 3/7/25 | Free |
| Natural Cleaning Tips for Caregivers | WED 3/14/25 | Free |
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Natural Cleaning Tips for Caregivers Fitness Walk With Ms. Felita Income vs Expenses

| TRIPS | DATE | ADMISSION |
|-----------------------------|---------|-----------|
| Dekalb Farmer's Market Trip | 1/24/25 | FREE |
| ТВА | 2/25 | FREE |
| ТВА | 3/25 | FREE |

WED 3/19/25 WED 3/26/25

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 www.myactivecenter.com to participate.

AVAILABLE CLUBS

Quilting Club Adult Support Group Butterfly Project Gardening Page 4

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www.claytonseniors.com

AGING PROGRAM

AGING PROGRAM SERVICES

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.

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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 |
| Cultural Arts Center For Youth, Teens, Adults, and Senio | rs | |
| 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 Admin

| DIRECTOR |
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| ASSISTANT DIRECTOR |
| DEPUTY ADMINISTRATOR |
| DEPUTY ADMINISTRATOR |
| CULTURAL ARTS ADMINISTRATOR |
| SPECIAL EVENTS COORDINATOR |
| ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY |
| OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR, SENIOR |
| OFFICE MANAGER |

Tori Strawter-Tanks Melissa MyersBristol Tonette White Kendra Sheppard Omari Jones Brandi Rocker Aretha Mattox Christie Essein Mai Toussant

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 please feel free to reach out to the Director who is ultimately responsible for the entire Department.





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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



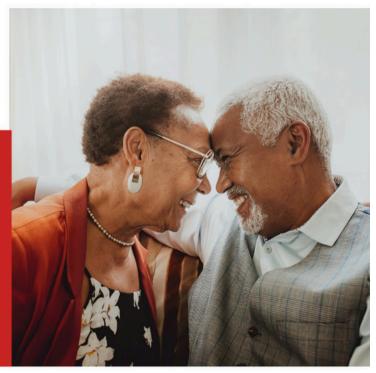
* Every year, Medicare evaluates plans based on a 5-star rating system.

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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OUR SERVICES

MEDICARE HEALTH PLANS

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



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

B 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.

CRITICAL ILLNESS

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





KINSHIP CARE RESOURCE CENTER PUT YOUR HAT & BOOTS ON FOR A WESTERN FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2025 4:30-7:30PM SO GOM ON Y2ALL ENJOY CAMES, MUSIC, FOOD AND FAMILY FUN FOR ALL AGES! WESTERN ATTIRE ENCOURAGED

REGISTER AT MYSENIORCENTER.COM 770 473-5788



Senior Services

KINSHIP CARE RESOURCE CENTER MARD GRAS Carnival & Darade

MUSIC

PRIZES

TABLE DECORATING • CONTEST FRIDAY, MARCH 21, 2025 4:30PM - 7:30PM

FOOD

FESTIVE

REGISTER AT WWW.MYACTIVECENTER.COM



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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.