



Build Independence

Jobs Plus Newsletter

Hocker Heights & Pleasant Heights Residents



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SAVING EARNED INCOME

1st TIME HOME BUYERS



Arline Walker Real Estate is a co-sponsor of the 1st Time Home Buyers workshop. Arline partners with the jobs plus program to assist employed residents planning for their life goal of home-ownership. Arline will assist home buyer with housing selections to fit lifestyle and budget. Let Arline Walker and team assist you through the entire home buying process. Attend **1st Time Home Buyers workshop August 29, 11:00 a.m.** Hocker Community room. Meet the 1st Time Home Buyers team: **Arline Walker Real Estate Company 816-517-9690; Patricia Tuckness & Company 816-616-5297; Austin Gray Fairway Lending Corporation 816-396-8810.**

NOW HIRING

Baptist Homes of Independence C.N.A., dietary Aide, dishwasher, housekeeping. **FedEx** package handler part-time or full-time \$17.00-\$19.00; **Target** Hourly wage \$15.00 cashier general merchandising, fulfillment, food & beverage, cart attendant. **Amazon** \$17 - \$19.00 hourly wage, regular/seasonal **jobs.amazon.com**. **Independence School** attendance secretary, bus attendant, library clerk. Apply online **idschools.org** Youth internships ages 16-24. Hourly wage \$15.00 apply in-person **15301 East 23rd Street S. Missouri Career Center/FEC** or call **816-521-5700** to schedule appointment. Contact: Jobs Plus Office **Hocker 816-836-9200 ext. 348** or **Pleasant 816-836-9200 ext. 329** for job search assistance.

EXPRESS EMPLOYMENT

Express Employment offers full-time employment in the Independence area. Hourly wage range \$15.00-\$18.00 with benefits. Currently hiring for warehouse, forklift, welder, and clerical opportunities available. Contact **Express Employment** for an in-person interview and complete online application with resume. Express Employment is located at **3010 Rte. 291 Suite L, Independence, MO 64057**. On the bus route. **Office hours 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.** Questions call: **(816) 229-5627**.

AFFORDABLE CONNECTIVITY PROGRAM - ACP

Xfinity/Comcast partnered with **Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP)** to provide internet services to low-income residents at Hocker & Pleasant Heights. Visit **InternetEssentials.com** or call **1-855-846-8376**. Enroll today for internet essentials which is a FREE program when you qualify for the Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP). **ACP** provides eligible households a **monthly credit \$30.00** for internet services. Need a computer? **Xfinity/Comcast** offers notebook computer with a one-time cost of \$150.00. Enrollment information: **InternetEssentials.com** or call **1-855-846-8376**. **Verizon** offers free wireless home internet. Enroll in ACP and order 5G Home internet service. Monthly cost \$25.00 for 5G ultra-wideband. (ACP enrolled \$0 per month). Equipment includes **WiFi** router and 2-year price guarantee Questions: Contact **Verizon Mr. Bryant 913- 205-3173**.

SUMMER MEALS PROGRAM

Now serving **free summer meals** for school-aged children (ages 18 and under) at **McCoy Park** located at Highway 24 & Delaware Independence, MO. (behind Fire Station #1) Adult meals available to purchase for \$3.25. No proof of income or application needed to receive summer meals for school-aged children. Free summer meals are served **Monday through Friday, 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.** with beverage. **Summer Meal program last day August 11, 2023**. Sponsored by Missouri Department of Health & Senior Services. Summer meals are distributed by Fort Osage School District. **Call 816-650-7207**.

MCPL EVENTS

MCPL Mid Continent Public Library offers free computer courses register online: mymcpl.org/events. Computer Courses **Print What You Want: Customize prints** (MCPL 360) Virtual Branch Friday, August 11, 2023. **Tech Talk** – Questions regarding technology? Bring your questions and laptop, or tablet to workshop Wed. August 23, 2023 North Independence Branch at 2:00 p.m. Pre-registration required for technology courses. **Kids STEAM** science, technology, engineering, art & mathematics for ages 8 and up. Monday August 7, 6:00 p.m. **Online registration required.** MCPL location: North Independence Branch **317 W. 24 Highway Independence, MO.** Call **816-252-0950.**

EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION PROGRAM

Early childhood education program offered at **Hanthorn 816-521-5485** or **Sunshine 816-521-5526.** Please call **816-521-5314** to schedule your child's screening appointment. **Parents as Teachers (PAT)** program is designed to connect families with child development resources. Age infant to three are eligible to enroll. Parents as Teachers educate parent/legal guardian for early childhood development. Contact ISD Parents as Teachers **(PAT)** program, call **816-521-5526** to schedule appointment.

DRIVE-THRU FOOD PANTRY

Harvester's drive-thru food pantry's - **August 5** Englewood Assembly of God 10628 E. Winner Road 9:00 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.; East Side Baptist Church **August 19** begins at 7:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m. Stay in your vehicle while volunteers load groceries. **Salvation Army** drive-thru food pantry held every **Tuesday and Friday** begins 12:00 (noon) located at **14700 E. Truman Road** Independence, MO. Free lunch served every **Wednesday** at **Salvation Army Center.** Lunch service from 12:00 (noon) to 1:00 p.m. Walk-in lunch is served at **14700 E. Truman Road** Independence, MO.

BACK TO SCHOOL EVENTS

Back to School Fair scheduled **August 5, 2023** in the Community of Christ Auditorium parking lot from 8am-12pm. Pre-registration is required for each school-aged child. Contact: **Lexi Pardee** pardeel@cslcares.org Telephone: **816-491-2479.** Event address: **1001 W. Walnut St. Independence, MO. 64050.** **Backpack & School Supplies** event **August 7, Salvation Army Center 14704 E. Truman Road.** Call **816-461-1093** to pre-register. Event begins at **5:30 p.m.** If you are unable to attend event **contact 2-1-1** for assistance with back-to-school supplies.

HiSET

HiSET enrollment call **816-313-5578.** Schedule your appointment today! Two locations offer onsite study centers. **August 1st & 2nd** located at Maywood Baptist Church 10505 E. Winner Road Independence, MO. 64052. Enrollment session begins at 9:00 a.m. (Must attend both days). **August 8th & 9th** enrollment at 6 p.m. Location: 1524 St. S. Independence, MO. 64055. (Classroom located left of Hobby Shop). Watch for Independence School District ISD signs in shopping parking lot. Study at your own pace! **Call 816-313-5578 or email isdael@idschools.org for enrollment information.**

JPEID - JOBS PLUS EARNED INCOME DISREGARD

Congratulations to Hocker Heights & Pleasant Heights residents enrolled in the Jobs Plus and JPEID program. Numerous residents have saved their earned income to improve credit score, pay off debt, purchase a new vehicle, leased private rental property or became a home owner since year 2019. JPEID residents will be receiving announcement for rent adjustment from property management. Continue to save earned income and reach for your savings goals. Congratulations Jobs Plus participants!

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