



Edina Resource Center Newsletter

December 2019

Greetings!

Today is *Giving Tuesday*. Some use this day to *give* to their favorite charities. Today we are *giving* you a newsletter packed with upcoming events, information on MnSure, Medicare, Fare for All, and the Census Job Fair on Dec 4. We've also pulled together ways for you to *give* back in our community this month.

Please *give* relevant resources below with those you work with and serve.

Wishing you a safe and happy holiday season!

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Resources & Opportunities

Coat Drive for Edina Students

Edina Service Organization is collecting new and gently used coats and winter gear for Edina Students. Check out the [complete list of items needed and sign up](#) to sponsor a student with a coat, snow pants, boots or hats/gloves.

Please donate by December 17th.

tinyurl.com/coats4edina



Holiday Toy Programs

Families seeking help this holiday season can register for **Christmas With Dignity**. Registration ends Dec 7.

hyd.org/christmas-with-dignity/shoppers/



Giving Back this Holiday Season

If you are looking for ways to help others this holiday season. You can find links to community **toy drives** [here](#) and seasonal **volunteer** opportunities [here](#).

Census Job Fair- December 4

Join the 2020 Census team, earn \$20 an hour, and work a flexible schedule. Apply for a temporary, part-time census worker job and help get your neighbors counted in the 2020 Census.

At this event, you can meet with a census recruiter and apply on the spot. Computers will be available at each site, but it may be quicker to apply on your own device if possible.

Wednesday, December 4 10am-7pm [Various Locations in Hennepin County](#)



Medicare Enrollment ends December 7

For reliable, unbiased Medicare Enrollment assistance, call the Senior Linkage Line, 1-800-333-2433. [Health Care Choices](#) is a tool created by the Senior Linkage Line to help Minnesotans on Medicare make their 2020 selection.



MNSure Open Enrollment ends December 23

Enroll by December 23rd with MNSure for health coverage in 2020.

MNSure's [online comparison tool](#) will help you research and compare health plans, deductibles, any tax credits you are eligible for, and even provides an estimate for out-of-pocket costs based on your health profile.



Navigators are available to assist you through the research and sign-up process. To find one near you, click [here](#).
MNSure.org 651-531-2099

FARE FOR ALL

Fare For All provides fresh, quality food items at a lower cost than a typical grocery store.

You can choose from Produce Packs, Meat Packs, and **Holiday Pack (Ham)**. **Anyone can participate.**

Locations include:

[Eden Prairie](#),
[Richfield](#),
[St Louis Park](#) and [more](#).

Warehouse Sales: Purchase packs as well as individual meats, produce and dry goods. **8501 54th Ave N, New Hope**
Dec 9, 2019 9:30 am-7:00 pm

Cash, credit, debit and EBT accepted | www.fareforall.org | 763-450-3880

SHOE BUS SHOE SALE

Good In the Hood's- Shoe Bus will be selling gentle used and new children & adult shoes.

Cedar Valley Church

Lutheran Colportage Services

8600 Bloomington Ave Bloomington	2101 Chicago Ave Minneapolis
December 3, 17	December 2, 6, 9, 13, 16
5:00pm-8:00pm	12:00 pm-6:00 pm

For other dates and locations click [here](#).

Learn how you can help [Shoe Away Hunger](#) with a Shoe Collection for Good In the Hood.

ITIN Renewal & Applications

If you do not have a social security number you will need an ITIN to file taxes. **Prepare + Prosper** now offers **FREE ITIN renewals and applications**. Prepare + Prosper is a certified acceptance agent so original documents (passports) do not need to be mailed in with the application.



ITIN #s expire if they have not been used within 3 years or if they are part of the renewal lottery. Renewals are required if the middle two digits of your ITIN # are 83, 84, 85, 86, or 87.

To learn more and make an appointment call **612-262-2177**.

Tax Prep Assistance with Prepare + Prosper

Free tax prep assistance is available to those who qualify. To have your taxes prepared your income must be

- \$35,000 or less for individuals
- \$55,000 or less for families.
- You cannot have filed bankruptcy in the tax year you are filing, you cannot have had debts forgiven or owned rental property.



Appointments are available in Bloomington, Hopkins, Minneapolis and St Paul.

Appointment sign-up starts January 13, 2020.

prepareandprosper.org/free-tax-preparation/

For more information call Prepare + Prosper, **651-287-0187**.

Job Corps

Job Corps is a no cost program offering career training and HSD/GED to low income youth. Students can also receive FREE room and board, uniforms, medical care, drivers ed, biweekly allowance and more! Career Areas include:

construction, nursing assistant, medical office, culinary arts, office administration, commercial painting, sign and displays

Weekly orientations are Tuesdays at 3pm or Thursdays at 8:30am

952-875-9708 huberthumphrey.jobcorps.gov/

Energy Assistance

Both homeowners and renters may be eligible for energy assistance.

Eligibility is based on your gross income for a three month period. If you also have problems with your heating system and you are approved for energy assistance

you may also get assistance with your heating system



Community Action
Partnership of Hennepin County

Applications are available online: caphennepin.org/services/energy-assistance/

For a copy mailed: 952-930-3541

Register for Winter Classes with Edina Community Education

Find a class where you belong! Registration is now open for winter classes with Edina Community Education. Click [here](#) to search for classes and register.



Upcoming Events

December 5	Stories Together: Dance and Move (ages 2-6) Edina Library
December 7	Read with an Animal Southdale Library
December 9	Baby and Me Sampler Class Edina Early Learning Center Dec. 9, Jan. 13, Feb 10
December 16	Author Talk: Better Parenting - A Guide for Somali Parents in the Diaspora Yorkdale Townhomes
December 23	Family Movie Matinee Southdale Library 2:00-4:00pm
December 27	Cocoa & Cookies at Cornelia Cornelia School Park Skating Rink 12-4pm
January 7, 2020	Planning for Educational Inclusion: A Viewing of 'Including Samuel' PACER Center, Bloomington
January 8	Baby Storytime Edina Library
January 9	Family Storytime Edina Library
Feb 7 & 8	save the date: Give Kids A Smile Day- free dental care for kids. Sign-up in January

Family Friendly New Year's Celebrations

Pre-New Year's Eve Party	Monday, December 30 5:00pm-7:30pm \$10.50 or \$11.50 door	Edinburgh Park Edina
Noon Year's Eve Party	Tuesday, December 31 10:30am-12:15pm	Southdale Library Edina
Noon Year's Confetti Dance Party	Tuesday, December 31 Wednesday, January 1, 2020 10:00am-1:00pm	Como Zoo Saint Paul
Candlelight and Ice	Tuesday, December 31 5:00pm-9:00pm \$5.00/per Free for Member	WoodLake Nature Center Richfield
New Year's Eve Sledding and Smores	Tuesday, December 31 12:00pm-4:00pm Free, bring your own s'mores	Richardson Nature Center Bloomington
Sparklerama New Year's Eve Party	Tuesday, December 31 6:00pm-9:00pm \$17.00	Minnesota Children's Museum Saint Paul

Common Resources Serving Edina

[Bloomington Public Health](#)
[Community Action Partnership of Hennepin County](#)
[City of Edina](#)
[Conflict Resolution Center](#) (mediation)
[Edina Community Education](#)
[Edina Public Schools](#)
[Hennepin County Services](#)
[Senior Community Services](#)(aging support/resources)
[Transit Link](#)
[United Way - Twin Cities 2-1-1](#)
[VEAP](#) (food)



For a full list of common resources click [here](#).

The Edina Resource Center is your connection to community resources, services and information. Our services are free and confidential. We serve anyone who lives, works or goes to school in Edina. To learn more about the Edina Resource Center visit our [website](#) or call 952-848-3936. We are open Monday-Friday 8am-4:30pm to help connect you to the resources you need.

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[VISIT OUR WEBSITE](#)
