



# Northampton County Drop-In Center

Jan-Feb  
2021

**We are now open Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.!**

**Van Service is temporarily unavailable.**

## Recap

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As the social distancing and quarantine have been pulling people apart, we would like to thank the Friends of the Northampton County Drop-In Center for their continued dedication and support. The level of compassion and willingness to do whatever it takes to be supportive of each other has proven what a dedicated group of people can do, both with and for each other, when everyone works together. When little around us seemed certain, one thing most definitely was; the love, compassion, and mutually invested interest in each others' well being that our Friends share remained steadfast and true.

Even when we faced another period of virtual only participation from Dec 4 to Dec 18, everyone's commitment to supporting each other was evident by how many people joined the Virtual Drop-In Center, which was ran from 9am to 5pm Monday thru Friday during that time. This was made possible by the ground-work laid by our Coordinator and CEO earlier in the year.

Once our physical site re-opened, with limited occupancy, the Virtual Drop-In Center has continued to run from 2-4 pm Monday through Friday. By streaming from our physical site, the integration of our site based and virtual programming has allowed our Friends to stay connected during these trying times. For any individuals interested in accessing our Virtual Drop-In Center meeting, you can visit our Recovery Partnership website at [www.recoverypartnership.us](http://www.recoverypartnership.us) and click the link to join the meeting. We hope to see you there!

### RECOVERY VALUES

Hope  
Individuality  
Self-Awareness  
Self-Determination  
Meaningful Life  
Respect  
Peer Support  
Community Focus

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## **Community Outreach**

Thank you to Ken and the amazing staff from Weis Markets on 5580 Crawford Drive in Bethlehem, PA for their continued support of our program. They have offered affordable solutions and exemplary customer service in providing beverages for our Friends and Drop-In Center Program.

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## **Staff Corner**

In this newsletter, we would like to extend a special thank you to Linda, our dedicated Recovery Partnership receptionist. She has been tirelessly supporting both our Friends and Staff to stay healthy during this pandemic.

We would also like to highlight our Coordinator, Kristen, for three years of dedicated work and service to the Drop-In Center program. Kristen's dedication and passion for the Drop-In Center is unparalleled and always shown by her innovation in activities and programs that continuously engage both the Friends and staff alike. Here are some personal comments of congratulations from the Friends and wishes of many more years to come. Your hard work and dedication do not go unnoticed and are greatly appreciated!

### **Comments from Drop-In Center Friends for Kristen:**

**“Strong willed and overall decent person.” - Trevor**

**“She is understanding and is very funny. She is very helpful.” - Michelle**

**“She has an upbeat sense of humor.” - Rose**

**“She is funny and sweet. She is also sweet and has a kind heart.” - Megan**

**“She is very positive and she has never said anything negative to me. She is always helpful.” - Josh**

## Winter Word Search - with a hidden message bonus

H T O S R E T A E W S P E I H S T H E E  
 D G I O L N T B F S L Y T H I I N G C S  
 J R T U R E A A N R S N O W B A L L A O  
 A E A N S K I O L G O G E S E R Y R L T  
 C B H Z I W W G F O N Z N A R N E F P E  
 K E G N Z M O R H I C I E A N P K R E E  
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BAKING  
 ELSA  
 FROSTY  
 HOCKEY  
 IGLOO  
 SALT  
 SHOVEL  
 SLUSH  
 SNOWMAN  
 SWEATER

BLIZZARD  
 FIREPLACE  
 FROZEN  
 HOLIDAY  
 JACKET  
 SCARF  
 SKATING  
 SNIFFLE  
 SNOWMOBILE  
 TUBING

BOOTS  
 FLURRIES  
 GLOVES  
 HOT  
 MITTENS  
 SCRAPER  
 SKIING  
 SNOWBALL  
 SNOWPLOW  
 VACATION

CHOCOLATE  
 FREEZING  
 HAT  
 ICEBERG  
 OLAF  
 SEASON  
 SLEDDING  
 SNOWBOARD  
 SNOWSUIT

EARMUFFS  
 FROST  
 HIBERNATE  
 ICICLE  
 PENGUIN  
 SHIVER  
 SLEIGHBELLS  
 SNOWFLAKE  
 SOLSTICE

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## **Friends' Corner**

### **Interviews With Friends**

**This Newsletter's featured Friend is:  
Wendy L.**

**Can you tell me a little about yourself?**

**"I've lived in Bethlehem for 24 years. I'm married for five years and have two kids who are 27 and 30 years old. I am an L.P.N. and I love to take care of people."**

**What is one of your hidden talents?**

**"I love gardening and adult coloring books. I love spending time playing with my grandkids."**

**If you could visit any place in the world, where would it be and why?**

**"I would love to visit Costa Rica because it is tropical and has nice scenery."**

**What do you look for in a friend?**

**"Someone that I can laugh with, have lunch with, and talk to on the phone."**

**What is your favorite food?**

**"Lasagna and chocolate."**

**Why do you like to attend the Drop-In Center?**

**"To be around people and playing games with other Drop-In Center Friends. I feel safe here."**

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## Looking Back on 2020 with Gratitude

The year 2020 has certainly held its share of challenges. It's easy to find things not to like about 2020. Instead, we would like to use this space to be grateful for the positive things of 2020. Below are just some quotes and positive things that our staff and Friends are thankful for, since it was impossible to fit them all.

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*"This year isn't the year I had expected or wanted it to be, but it is the year that was a reminder. A reminder of all the things I have to be thankful for. A chance to slow down, get back to basics, and never to take this life for granted. I got married this year, despite all the chaos going on in the world. This seemed to be the only thing to make sense." — Christine M.*

*"I am thankful for my friends and family, and for having this place." — Jean A*

*"I am thankful for my work family and my friends at the Drop-In Center, and my family. I'm also thankful for the Virtual Drop-In Center." — Megan W*

*"I am thankful for the Drop-In Center, Zoom, and my racecar driver won the championship." — Mike K*

*"I am thankful for the Drop-In Center and family, and everyone that comes to the Drop-In and staff." — James H.*

*"I am thankful for my U.S. Constitution." — Ben M.*

*"I am thankful to be a part of such a caring, compassionate group of people who show me everyday just how good people can be to each other given the chance. I'm also grateful for the opportunity to take the CPS Training with an amazing group of people. Remember to be the change you want to see in the world!" — Mike B*

*"This past year has reminded me of the importance of self-care, to appreciate others around me more than I do, and that the little things are what matter." — Amanda T*

*Remember we can persevere together and that no one fights alone. "Together we will support each other and we will get through this." — W.B.*

*"There are no problems, only solutions." — John Lennon*

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## Hours of Operation

**\*NEW HOURS\***

**Monday - Friday**

**9:00 a.m.—7:00 p.m.**

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**We're on the Web!**

[www.recoverypartnership.us](http://www.recoverypartnership.us)

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## Welcome Friends!

***We offer a Wii gaming system, Arts  
& Crafts, games, cards, and snacks.***

***See You There!***

***“This project is funded, in part, under a contract with the Northampton County Department of Human Services through funds provided by the County of Northampton and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania (Department of Aging, Department of Health and/ or Department of Human Services)”***

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**\*\*If any of the Friends of the Drop-In Center would like to submit an article for the newsletter please  
see any of the Drop – In Center Staff \*\***