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ESAP

ELDERLY FOOD ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The South Carolina Department of Social Services has a project called Elderly Simplified Application Project (ESAP) to improve the Food Stamp Program process for elderly households. ESAP allows us to meet the goals of the Food Stamp Program to provide food assistance to raise levels of nutrition among low-income individuals and to better serve the nutritional needs of elderly individuals. To receive food stamp benefits under ESAP, you complete a simple application form, do not have to be interviewed by a caseworker, provide limited verification of your circumstances, and complete a one-page mail-in form yearly to continue food stamp benefits.

You should be eligible to participate in ESAP:

- If all of the members of your household (those people who live with you and purchase and prepare food together) are elderly (age 60 or older).
- If the members of your household have no earned income (salaries from work); and
- If no member of your household receives food stamps under the South Carolina Combined Application Project (SCCAP).

• If you have any question concerning food stamps or this letter, please call the ESAP toll-free hotline at 1-800-616-1309

TOWN OF BLACKVILLE PROCLAIMS

APRIL 2022 FAIR HOUSING MONTH

Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, the Fair Housing Act was passed by Congress four days after the assassination of Martin Luther King, Jr. This legislation prohibits discrimination by direct providers of housing (landlords and real estate companies) as well as other entities (such as municipalities, banks and other lending institutions, homeowner's and insurance companies). Discrimination in other housingrelated activities such as advertising, zoning practices, and new construction design is also covered. As a result of this legislation, the practices of redlining and the writing of racially restrictive covenants into deeds were deemed illegal. When originally passed in 1968, the Fair Housing Act only covered four protective classes: race, color, religion, and national origin. Sex was added as a protective class in 1974. In 1988, disability and familial status were included as protective classes as well.

COMING SOON

Blackville's Music and Arts Festival

May 20, 4:00pm - 8:30pm May 21, 10:00am - 9:00pm

TOGETHER SISTERS

EASTER EGG HUNT April 16, 2022

Moloney Field – 3:00pm

MEETINGS

April 4, Music and Arts, Solomon Blatt Avenue, 6:00pm

April7,BlackvilleCommunityDevelopmentCorporation,Virtual,4:30pm

April 11, Blackville-Hilda Board of Education, Board Office, **5:30pm**

April 12, Barnwell County Council, SCA Building, Barnwell, 6:00pm

April 18, Blackville Town Council Meeting, Community Center, 6:30pm April 25, NAACP, Macedonia Baptist Church, Blackville, 6:00pm

April 28, Blackville Downtown Development Corporation, Solomon Blatt Avenue, 6:00pm

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

April 1, Alberta P. Williams April 1, Ethel Faust April 3, Roosevelt Elmore April 3, Chasity Williams April 4, James Myers April 9, Carrie S. Butler April 9, Pamela Olivia Rose Johnson April 9, Payton Olivia Grace Johnson April 11, Teresa Hughes April 11, Charles Dowling April 13, Edward Smalls April 15, Camron Brown April 15, Fred Orr April 16, Floyd Taylor April 19, Roosevelt O'neal April 20, Ronnie Williams April 21, Nigel Fisher April 21, Morgan Lightsey April 21, Sommer Gibson April 21, April Faust April 22, Elizabeth Reed April 23, Bralen Coleman April 24, Bre'Niya Murray April 30, Aleah Johnson

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

April 30, Dennis and Ann Pernell

SCHOOL NEWS

April 11-15, Spring Break April 27, Early Release

MACEDONIA HIGH SCHOOL REUNION

Proposed date/s- September 3-4, 2022. Further Details – TBA

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Collinsike@aol.com, vtalston@bellsouth.net

Add "Reunion" to subject line

TOWN HALL CLOSED

April 15, 2022

TOWN CLEAN-UP DATES

April 9, 2022 and April 23, 2022

Meet at Community Center – 9:00am

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