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The Family Connection

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Special points of interest:

- Come to an Info Session in March and earn a Grub Hub gift card!
- Our Sticker Contest is back!! You have until March 31st to get your submissions in! Can't wait to see what you draw up this year!
- We are always accepting donations of smoke detectors, carbon monoxide detectors and gift cards for our providers

Community Call to Action: Donations Requested

Dear Community Partner and Supporter of Racine County Foster Care,

Over the past couple of years, you have truly shown how supportive you are of the greater community. Various businesses, community organizations and community lay people stepped up to form partnerships with our program, showing the belief that it takes a village. In continuing to grow and show support for those who continue to commit to caring about Racine's children by becoming licensing foster parents, we generously ask you to think about donation to the Foster Parent Appreciation Gala. The month of May is considered National Foster Care Month and annually, we show our appreciation by hosting our Foster Parent Appreciation Gala. Though the past few years, we have had to adapt, last year we were able to host the event in person. This year, we plan the same. This year, we are asking your support in appreciating our providers. To provide some perspective, Racine County has 105 children placed in out of home care and 69 licensed foster homes. This means that Racine County foster families are going over and above the call of duty to have a positive impact on the kids in our community by accepting more than one child in their home.

Our hope is that you will join in celebrating Foster Care Month and our providers by each donating a gift worth a minimum of \$25 in value. These gifts will be given to our foster families during tour Gala event, May 11th, 2023. Our ultimate goal is to receive enough donations to provide special "thank you" gifts to some families throughout the year for exceptional service, so your generosity in giving would be greatly appreciated.

There are a variety of ways in which you can help us show appreciation toward our providers and work collaboratively to grow a stronger community. If you are unable to donate, you can help in the following ways:

- Like our Facebook page and share the information with your networks Talking about foster care, helps foster care.
- Host a Foster Parent Night, offering specials to our foster providers.

- Allow Foster Care Staff to come speak about foster care to your staff.
- Invite Foster Care staff to participate in events to assist with recruitment efforts.
- If you are part of a group or organization, allow Foster Care staff to speak at a meeting or gathering.
- Get on our community email list and receive our monthly newsletter. You are allowed to have free ad space for your company and promote if you make the newsletter available to your staff and/or patrons at your company and/or share with your network.
- Have a staff fundraiser, make it fun and raise money to donate to Foster Care.
- Post Foster Care fliers and/or posters in your establishment or workspace showing you support us.
- Become a respite provider and offer breaks to our families.
- Become a foster parent.

We need kind-hearted and compassionate people like you to join us in showing Racine County foster parents that we care about them and are proud of the work they are doing. Studies have shown that people continue the work that they are doing if they feel appreciated. It takes a village to grow and care for our community, will you help us retain foster parents who are doing great work in our community with our kids?

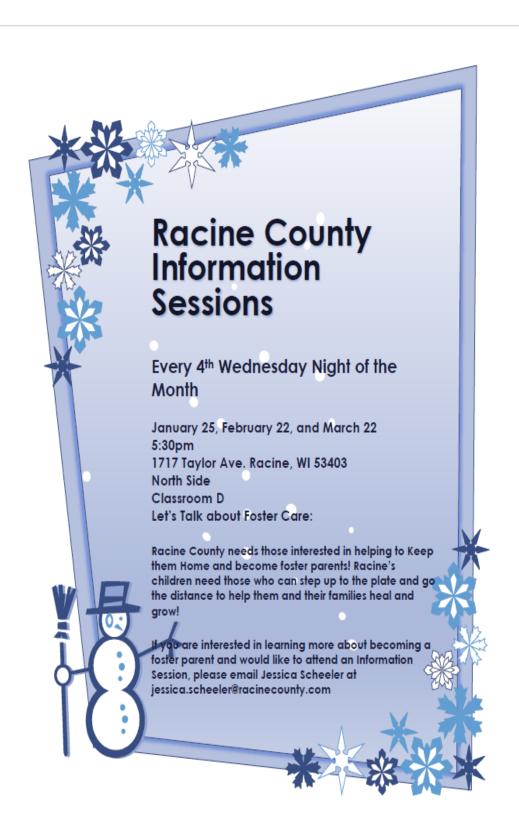
To coordinate donations drop offs or pick ups or if you have questions, comments, concerns or ponderings, or another way to partner, please contact me, Jessica Scheeler at 262-638-6595 or via email at

jessica.scheeler@racinecounty.com.

Your donation can also be mailed to: Racine County Human Services Attention: Jessica Scheeler, Foster Care 1717 Taylor Avenue Racine, WI 53403

Thank you for your consideration. I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Information Sessions



Start the New Year out right! Come learn more about Racine County
Foster Care!

Training Opportunities: Resilient Co-Parenting

These topic specific online classes are designed for parents or caregivers raising children together while living apart. A new topic every month! Register today at https://bit.ly/3ioqBJr

RESILIENT CO-PARENTING

A series of topic-specific classes for parents or caregivers raising children together while living apart.

Join us for any or all of the following sessions!

For more info:

Sarah Hawks

Family and Community Educator UW-Madison Division of Extension -Racine County 1072 Milwaukee Avenue Burlington, WI 53105

Phone (262) 767-2916 WI Relay 7-1-1 New Email Address – sarah.hawks@wisc.edu Web site https://racine.extension.wisc.edu/ Feb. 2nd: Families Fighting Fair

Mar 2nd: Successful Stepfamilies

April 6th: Navigate Difficult Conversations

May 4th: Parenting from a Distance

June 1st: Co-Parenting Teens

July 6th: Cope with Stress through Transition
Aug. 3rd: Help Children with Strong Emotions

Sept. 7th: Relationship Readiness

Oct. 5th: Self Compassion

Nov. 2nd: Mindful Money Practices

Dec. 7th: Forgiveness for Moving Forward

7:00-8:00 pm over Zoom
1st Thursday of each month
in 2023!

Scan code or use link to register!



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Training Opportunities: Triple P

March Triple P Events



Getting Teenagers to Cooperate

Learn tips and create a plan to motivate your teenager to cooperate at home.

Time & Date: 11:00 am - 1:00 pm, Tuesday, March 7th

Location: Zoom

Coping with Stress

Learn how to handle day-to-day stress so you can act consistently and calmly with your children.

Time & Date: 11:30 am – 1:00 pm, Wednesday, March 14th

Location: Zoom

For more info:

Jackie Schommer, CHES

Pronouns: she/her/hers Program Manager – Community Health and Education Children's Wisconsin Phone: 414-292-4204 childrenswi.org Triple P teaches families with children 0-16 years of age how to spend less time battling challenging behavior and more time building close relationships. You'll develop positive parenting skills to manage stress and encourage healthy habits, and that can mean more good days for your family.

Register online at childrenswi.org/triplep or scan QR code





Raising Resilient Children

Learn how to help your children manage their feelings and become resilient in dealing with stress including expressing feelings appropriately, developing coping skills, and dealing with stressful events.

Time & Date: 6:00 pm – 7:30 pm, Wednesday, March 22nd

Location: Zoom

Tantrums

Gives suggestions to handle tantrums and teach children to calm down.

Time & Date: 12:00 pm – 1:30 pm, Thursday, March 23rd

Location: Zoom

Dealing with Disobedience

Teach your child to accept limits, do as they are told and to understand the meaning of the word, No.

Time & Date: 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm, Tuesday, March 28th

Location: Zoom





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Training Opportunities: Executive Functioning

HELPING CHILDREN AND ADOLESCENTS DEVELOP EXECUTIVE FUNCTIONING SKILLS

TUESDAY MARCH 14, 2023 6:00pm - 7:30pm

AURORA WELLNESS CENTER
300 MCCANNA PARKWAY, CONFERENCE ROOMS A & B
BURLINGTON, WI 53105

There are A LOT of things that parents and teachers can do to help children focus in class or when doing homework, solve problems, and manage their emotions. These abilities are part of a cluster of skills known as "Executive Functions. Other executive functions include the ability to plan, organize school work, set goals, take perspective, and prioritize goal-directed actions, self-motivate, manage time, and control impulses.

Executive dysfunction syndrome is present in nearly all children with neurodevelopmental disorders such as ADHD and Autism Spectrum disorders. In addition, Executive Function syndrome also occurs in children who do not have ADHD. For example, up to 23% of children with anxiety or OCD, and up to 44% of children with depression, may have Executive Function difficulties.

Having a mental health disorder can, in turn, impact an individual's executive functioning skills. Difficulties with executive functioning may lead to poor school performance, difficulty forming or maintaining relationships, mood issues, low self-esteem, avoidance of difficult tasks, and low motivation for task completion.

Through this FREE presentation, Dr. Mervin Langley of Advocate Aurora Behavioral Health, will share information about what executive functioning is and how decreased executive functioning skills can impact children emotionally, socially, and academically. Dr. Langley will also provide attendees with strength-based accommodations and strategies that can be readily used with children to help enhance, practice, and develop executive functioning skills.

FEATURING DR. MERVIN LANGLEY of Advocate Aurora Behavioral Health

Dr. Mervin Langley provides therapy to children, teenagers, and families regarding a variety of mental health disorders/concerns. Dr. Langley was associated with a major research study to develop motivational strategies through the Rehabilitation Institute of Chicago and has published journal articles and book chapters in the US, Spain, and South Africa.

PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED FOR THIS PRESENTATION DUE TO LIMITED SPACE CAPACITY

Please register online at: https://executivefunctioningskills.eventbrite.com

FOR QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT LORI RADTKE AT (262) 763-0180 EXT 2224 OR LRADTKE@BASD.K12.WI.US

**THIS FREE PRESENTATION IS FOR ADULTS ONLY.
CHILD CARE IS NOT AVAILABLE FOR THOSE WHO ATTEND**







For more info: Lori A Radtke, SSW ~Cooper, Waller, Winkler, Dyer, Lyons Center 248 Kendall Street, Burlington, WI 53105 (Cooper) 262-763-0180 Ext 2224 (Waller) 262-763-0185 (Dyer) 262-763-0220 ext 2226 (Winkler) 262-539-2726 (Lyons) 262-763-5380

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Community Call to Action: 2nd Annual Sticker Contest: Step Up and Step Into a Child's Life

Dear Racine Community!

I am so excited to announce our 2nd annual sticker contest! Last year we asked you to OPEN YOUR HEART and get involved with promoting Racine County Foster Care in 2022! This year, we are asking you to STEP UP AND STEP INTO A CHILD'S LIFE, in 2023!

Last year, we launched our new marketing campaign: "Keep Them Home Racine County: Fostering our Community, Fostering our Kids." This campaign was a follow up to the work that started in 2018, when we did a fantastic job of *bringing our kids* home to Racine County, and our out-of-county placements dropped from over 100 to 18 kids today. You responded and helped, as we had 144 inquiries to "Keep them Home." In 2022, we licensed 20 new homes and were able to keep 94% of our children placed in out of home care within 40 miles of their bio home. On average, children in care in Racine County are within 2.9 miles of their bio home. We are now asking you to STEP UP AND STEP INTO A CHILD'S LIFE, in 2023! It just takes one caring adult to influence the outcome of a child. Will you step up?

We are inviting you to get involved with a community-wide, super-fun STICKER CONTEST!!

Here are the details:

- Community members, adults and kids alike, are encouraged to design a 2"x2" sticker that includes the words "Step Up and Step Into a Child's Life" and "Racine County" and features artwork about why they believe foster care is important to our community.
- The deadline to complete and email your sticker design to Jessica Scheeler is March 31st, 2023 (jessica.scheeler@racinecounty.com)
- Please make sure to include your name, age, and title (community member, teacher, organization member, etc.)
- Racine County Foster Care staff members will select the Top 10 entries. These finalists will be featured on the Racine County Foster Care Facebook page where the community will vote for their favorite entries. Voting will occur April 10-17th!
- Winner of the contest will be announced May 1, 2023.

The winner will:

- Have their sticker prominently featured as part of May's Foster Care
 Month events and materials and handed out all year long at other Foster
 Care events
- Have their sticker featured on the Racine County Foster Care Facebook page and website
- Be given a specially printed T-shirt with their winning sticker design

For more information, please contact Jessica Scheeler, 262-638-6595 or <u>jessica.scheeler@racinecounty.com</u>

If you could pass this information on to anyone you think would like to participate that would be great.

If you have any questions, don't hesitate to reach out. Thanks

All sticker submissions are due March 31st! Get your submission in today!!

Check out Racine Theatre Guild's 85th Season!



For more info: https:// racinetheatre.org/

Who We Serve:

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- We will do our best to connect you to caring and compassionate volunteers who will become family-like support systems.
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-Safe Families parent

Sate Families for Children

Connecting parents to a network of support through family-like relationships with volunteers



Safe Families for Children Circle of Support

- Family Friends: provide friendship and support to parents or host families through getting together, encouragement, mentorship, transportation, hot meals, etc.
- Family Coaches: walk alongside parents to help them reach their goals and support volunteers while in service.
- Host Families: are screened and approved by SFFC to host children for short periods of time (average length is 6 weeks, can range from 2 days to 1 year).



Call for support:

262-725-5199 ext. 1

Or visit:

https://safefamilies.org/get-help/



For more info contact: Amy Wolfe

Director of Development
SFFC-Racine and Kenosha
Cell: 262-757-3365
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302 N. Jackson Street Milwaukee, WI 53202 p: 414-271-8045 - f: 414-271-1935

Planned Parenthood of Wisconsin, Inc.

February 13, 2023

Dear Valued Community Partner:

Planned Parenthood of Wisconsin (PPWI) is now offering vasectomy services to patients. It is a new service created in partnership with the Medical College of Wisconsin (MCW) to meet the rising demand for vasectomies, as the number of people seeking the service has increased after the overturning of Roe v Wade.

The new service aligns with PPWI's mission and commitment to provide men and women with family planning options, as well as the choice to make their own reproductive health decisions. The procedure will be performed at our Water Street health center in Milwaukee by urologists from MCW twice a month.

At PPWI, vasectomies are covered by Medicaid, both regular BadgerCare and Family Planning Only Services. PPWI also contracts with some commercial insurance providers, and offers self-pay options for the procedure. PPWI provides this service at a significantly reduced cost relative to other health care providers in the area.

Other new services PPWI will be launching in 2023 include:

- PP Direct for Medicaid-Covered Patients: an app used to provide birth control, UTI treatment, or to find the closest health center near you
- · Expansion of Colposcopy services to the Water Street health center in Milwaukee
- · LEEP services at the Water Street health center
- PEP/PrEP

For the most up-to-date information, hours, services, directions and/or to make an appointment, please call 1.800.230.PLAN or visit plannedparenthood.org.

We look forward to working with you to help us roll out these important services to the community. Thank you for being a valued community partner and sharing this information with interested patients.

Dr. Allison Linton, MD MPH

Associate Medical Director Planned Parenthood of Wisconsin

For More info:

Scarlette Kinderman - she/her/ **Regional Community Partnerships** Coordinator 262-770-5011 (Cell) 414-289-3711 (Office) Scarlette.Kinderman@ppwi.org

Community Information: Mitchell LIFT Programming 2022-2023

Individual Counseling

Sexual Assault Services' Bilingual Therapist (Kari Wilder) can provide counseling sessions for male or female, middle school-aged sexual abuse survivors in English or Spanish. These sessions will occur once a week during the school day.

Support (Therapy) Group

Two staff members, including at least one Master's-level therapist, will facilitate an approximately 10-12 week support group for middle school-aged female survivors of sexual abuse. The group will consist of activities, discussions, and art projects intended to make connections between participants and facilitate healing. The group is offered in English only.

Educational Groups

SAS's Bilingual Therapist (Kari Wilder) and SAS's Family Support Advocate (Christa Dasher) will facilitate a 10session educational group called My Life My Choice. This group is intended for female-identifying adolescents who are identified as survivors of or at-risk for human trafficking. The curriculum of My Life My Choice is aimed at vulnerable girls and is intended to provide them with a safety net of proven solutions, grounded in evidence, to protect them from predators and exploitation. See https://www.mylifemychoice.org/ for additional information. This group will be offered in English only.

SAS staff will offer an approximately 12-session educational group called Making the Peace. This group is intended for male-identifying adolescents and utilizes videos, activities, and discussions to address the root causes of vio-

lence in our society. The lessons in Making the Peace encourage young men to be active bystanders and upstanders, teaching them to safely intervene if they see someone in an unsafe situation. This group also plants seeds of knowledge and compassion in the hopes that the effects will ripple out from each participant, creating safer communities in the future. This group will be offered in English only.

Educational Sessions

SAS staff will offer brief educational presentations for parents. These presentations will be centered around prevention of sexual abuse, warning signs of sexual abuse, and being a good support person for a child who has experienced sexual abuse.

For more information about any of these services email in-<u>fo@beleafsurvivors.com</u> or call (262) 619-1634

SAS Staff

All staff can be reached by phone at the Racine office: (262) 619-1634 *denotes Spanish-speaking staff

Email Contacts: Executive Director, Karen Fetherston:

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Samantha Sustachek (she, her, hers) Samantna Sustacnek (she, ner, ners) Program Director Sexual Assault Services 2000 Domanik Drive 1 Racine, WI 53404 P: 262.619.1634 Ext. 112 1 F: 262.619.1638 SAS 24/7 Hottline: 256.367.7293 Spanish Warmline: 262.424.3134

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6 Weeks Old to 5 Years Old

1923 Green Street, Racine WI 53402 (262) 456-0014

Some Documents are Required:

- 1. Immunization Record
- 2. Medical Card
- 3. One of the following: W-2 Statement-OR-SSI/SSA Award Letter-OR- most recent tax return-OR-paystubs showing year-to-date totals
- 4. Most recent physical, dental and lead exam reports
- 5. Proof of Child Care Authorization (if applicable)







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Lori

McLaughlin | Executive Assi stant to Family Services and Health | Acelero Learning Wisconsin | Walton Center 7833 W. Capitol Drive, Milwaukee WI

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BEGINNING 1/4/23 BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES OF RACINE COUNTY **GRIEF** SUPPORT **GROUP** For those that lost a loved one from a violent crime, accident or overdose EMOTIONAL, MENTAL AND SPIRITUAL SUPPORT TO RACINE COUNTY RESIDENTS 1717 Taylor Avenue, South Entrance Racine, WI 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month 5:00pm to 6:00pm Adults - 18 or older

For more information contact:

Behavioral Health Services 262-638-6744

SCAN ME

Community Information:

• RACINE COUNTY SPECIAL NEEDS RESOURCE FAIR

Waterford Union High School, 100 Field Drive, Door 19, Waterford, WI

COME AND LEARN ABOUT LOCAL DISABILITY SERVICES
AND RESOURCES AVAILABLE TO YOU AND YOUR FAMILY,
SUCH AS FINANCIAL RESOURCES, COMMUNITY-BASED
THERAPIES, RESPITE OPPORTUNITIES, RECREATIONAL
IDEAS, JOB/TRAINING SUPPORT, LIVING ARRANGEMENTS
BEYOND THE HOME, AND MUCH, MUCH MORE!

THIS FREE COMMUNITY EVENT PROVIDES AN OPPORTUNITY TO ASK QUESTIONS, CONNECT WITH OTHERS, AND FIND THE ANSWERS YOU NEED!

SAVE THE DATE

MAY 2. 2023 4:30-6:30 PM

For more info:

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Waterford, WI

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> ESCANEE EL CÓDIGO QR PARA OBTENER MÁS Información

APARTA LA FECHA

2 DE MAYO, 2023 4:30-6:30 PM

Un traductor que habla español también estará disponible en el evento

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A Safe and confidential place for youth 10-18 to learn about healthy relationship skills, discuss challenges.

Group is FREE
Please contact Ashley to register
ahess@racinewrc.org
262.865.4791

Tuesday's 5:00pm-7:00pm

For more information contact:

Ashley Hess

Youth Specialist/ Safe Start Coordinator

PO Box 1764, Racine WI 53401

Business Phone:

262.633.3274 ext. 107 Cell: 262.865.4791 Text line: 262-221-0058

Fax: 262.633.5523 Crisis Line: 262.633.3233

HYGIENE GIVEAWAY EVENT

SATURDAY, MARCH 4
10:00 AM - 12:00 PM
(OR WHILE SUPPLIES LAST)

ROOSEVELT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL 915 ROMAYNE AVENUE, RACINE

(ENTER OFF OF SUPERIOR ST - EXIT ONTO LASALLE ST WALK UP AND DRIVE THRU EVENT)

For more info: https:// givingtothenations.org/



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- FINDING A JOB

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For more info:

Emily Laidley (she/her) Youth Librarian **Burlington Public Library** 166 E. Jefferson St. Burlington, WI 53105 (262) 342-1140

Hey Folks,

Join me on Wednesday, March 15 at Mahogany Black Arts Gallery and Cultural Center at 5pm for the Third District Alder Candidate Meet & Greet. I look forward to meeting the constituents and business owners of the third (3rd) district.

Contact oturquoise3@gmail.com for campaign donation options.

















Thursdays
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For more info:

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Once Upon A Cuento: Story Time in English and Spanish!

February 20th

March 20th

10:00-10:30am

Registration Required. Call

262-342-1130 or

burlingtonlibrary org

UW-Parkside is hosting an Environmental Explorer's camp during Spring Break this year for middle school youth (ages 11-14). The program will run from April 11-13 from 9 am - 12 pm and will be held on the UW-Parkside campus and is run by UW-Parkside faculty! We also have scholarships from DPI that will cover the full cost of the camp! In order to qualify for the scholarship, the student just needs to be receiving Free or Reduced Lunch. Parents/Students should apply for the scholarship prior to registering for the camp. Once their scholarship application is approved, a code to register will be sent that will allow them to register for free. They can apply for the scholarship here: https://hipaa.jotform.com/230394561887164. The application is HIPAA compliant. They can also access the scholarship application, as well as registration on our website: https://www.uwp.edu/learn/continuingeducation/youth/stem.cfm



For more info:

Mallory Evans
Outreach Program Manager
Professional and Continuing

Education Pronouns: She, her, hers <u>evansm@uwp.edu</u> | 262-595-2402

Apr 11-13 | 9 am-12 pm | \$199 In-Person | UW-Parkside Campus

With a mix of in and out of laboratory experiences, we encourage middle schoolers who have a passion to be outside to investigate their surroundings. With activities based on geology, ecology, microscope use, dissection, and soil studies, the environment will be a new frontier for your child's investigation.

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Foster Care Heroes Quarter 1, 2023: Christmas Partners

Foster Parent Heroes of the Month January 2023: SC Johnson, Roma Lodge, Faith, Hope and Love and Courtney Rigden and her family and friends

As we slip into the New Year, we reflect back and offer thanks to all those community partners that helped to make our families holidays merry and bright.

On December 6th, Roma Lodge welcomed us back since 2019 and hosted Racine County Foster Care's Annual Family Holiday Partyl A fun filled evening was had by all. Royal Family Kid's Camp through Racine Assembly of God, helped serve food and drinks. With the help of the Sunshine Club, families were able to make ornaments and the evening was complete with the help of the Guardians of the Children, as they provided that right jolly ole Elf, Santa, himself. A visit from Santa wouldn't be complete without presents, right? ISC Johnson donated and provided gifts for all of Racine County's foster children!

SC Johnson's generosity didn't end with our Christmas party. Later on in December, they donated new socks and underwear for everyone too!

On December 17th, Faith, Hope and Love held Operation Christmas Cheer, a holiday party and gift giving for our kinship providers!

Finally, in hopes to spread a little Christmas cheer, Courtney Rigden and her family and friends of over 60 people helped again this year to collect gifts for children and families in need within our com-

munity. With the aid of the social workers at Racine County and Kenosha County, a list was collected from each child. All that was asked was to provide "a want" and "a need" to each child. Those that participated went above and beyond expectations. An estimated 330 gifts were collected for 90 kids!



A huge thank you to all those

who helped make our children and families feel loved.

If interested in learning what more you can do to either support our providers and/or become a foster parent?

Contact Jessica Scheeler: jessica scheeler@racinecounty.com or 262-638-6595 for more information. Or attend an Information Session on January 25, at 5:30pm at 1717 Taylor Ave.



"At the end of the day, we can endure much more than we think we can."

Frida Kahlo

Yum Yum for Your Tum Tum: Polenta Bowls with Roasted Vegetables & Fried Eggs

Ingredients

6 large shallots, halved lengthwise

3 tablespoons olive oil, divided

1 pound thick asparagus spears, trimmed and cut into 2-inch pieces

6 ounces cremini mushrooms, halved lengthwise

3 tablespoons balsamic vinegar

1 tablespoon chopped fresh thyme

½ teaspoon ground pepper

½ teaspoon salt, divided

2 cups whole milk

2 cups unsalted chicken stock

3/4 cup instant polenta

½ cup grated Parmesan cheese

4 large eggs

Directions

Step 1: Preheat oven to 425 degrees F. Line a large rimmed baking sheet with foil. Place shallots on the prepared pan; drizzle with 1 tablespoon oil and toss to coat. Roast until lightly browned, about 12 minutes.

Step 2: Add asparagus, mushrooms, vinegar, thyme, pepper, 1/4 teaspoon salt and 1 tablespoon oil to the pan with the shallots. Stir to coat. Roast until the vegetables are just tender, about 8 minutes.

Step 3 :Meanwhile, combine milk and stock in a large saucepan; bring to a boil over medium-high heat. Whisk in polenta; reduce heat to medium-low, and cook, whisking often, until thickened, 4 to 5 minutes. Remove from heat; stir in Parmesan.

Step 4: Heat the remaining 1 tablespoon oil in a large nonstick skillet over medium-high heat. Add eggs, 1 at a time; cook, using a rubber spatula to keep the eggs separate, until the whites are completely cooked but the yolks are still slightly runny, 2 to 3 minutes

Step 5 :Spoon the polenta into 4 shallow bowls; top with the vegetables and eggs and sprinkle with the remaining 1/4 teaspoon salt.



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https:// www.facebook.com/ racinecountyfostercare/ Racine County Foster Care Unit is a team comprised of dedicated staff ensuring the safety and stability of children placed in out of home care. As well as, educating the community on the need for foster providers and what the foster care program is, our staff is also responsible for screening, interviewing and licensing all our prospective foster home. Additionally, the Racine County Foster Care unit is responsible for maintaining exceptional customer service with our families, to ensure all needs are being met, by providing support to our homes to ensure they succeed. The Unit is also responsible for placement of all children who enter out of home care. We are the family connection.

We Need You! Become a Child's Good Luck Charm and Earn a little Gold Yourself!

Whether March comes in as a Lion or a Lamb, you can always be someone's calm during the storm. Become a child's good luck charm, become a Racine County Foster Parent! Opening your home to a child in need can be their pot of gold at the end of the rainbow! It's a win-win for everyone!

That's right! During the month of March, the first four families that sign up to attend an Info Session AND submit a foster care licensing application, will earn \$50 gift card.

Contact Jessica Scheeler at 262-638-6595 or jessica.scheeler@racinecounty.com to learn more about how you can become a foster parent and Keep Them Home!



