



# Housing Department

This newsletter will be developed and distributed monthly by the Housing Department to provide general information and inform Service Coordinators of local housing options and any Human Services employees of the availability of apartments/houses in our area to assist with reducing the population of homelessness in our community.

## Upcoming Events

November 18<sup>th</sup> – Free Turkey Dinner giveaway at Rocky Grove Fire Hall – 7:00 am until they last

November 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> – Thanksgiving break

## Let's start with the Shelter Plus Care Program:

As announced at the Staff Meeting last week, there are openings. To qualify, S+C consumers must meet HUD's definition of chronically homeless (living on the street or living a shelter). Consumers must also provide verification of a documented disability (mental or physical). Verification of the disability must be documented by a doctor, not Case Manager or Counselor. Consumer's rent is then based on 30% of their income. Minimum rent is \$50 per month. S+C also pays the security deposit. Apartments must meet Fair Market Rates and pass an inspection. S+C does not pay utilities. For any further details or requirements please contact Denise Fowkes at 432-9216.

## Now let's mention our Bridge House:

The Bridge House continues to run at full capacity and recently housed its 19<sup>th</sup> resident. It remains with the setup of two apartments designated for males (total of 4) and one apartment for females (total of 2). The average stay for individuals that have gone through Bridge House has been 54 days with the average age being 35 years old. Thirteen residents have been male with 6 being female. Referrals are always accepted and are all reviewed when any openings occur. There is a consistent waitlist.

### Parking Lot Information:

#### Reminders

- **With the cold weather, and if you driving abilities allow you to, please try and back into the reserved parking spots to make it more accessible in case a vehicle would need jumped.**
- **There have been a few close calls in the parking lot as far as someone getting hit with a vehicle – The reasons?  
Driving too fast, not properly stopping at the stop sign,  
Driving while on the cell phone and making a left into the reserved lot from the stop sign - please obey the posted signage.**

#### Building Information:

Reminder to check with Pat Owoc if you are getting keys to your office due to changing rooms or being a new employee.

# The area's available apartments as of 11/15/17:

West 1<sup>st</sup> Street, Oil City. 1 BR, large apartment includes W/S/G and laundry. Off street parking. \$610/month. Call Heather at 758-3683.

Grant Street, Franklin. 3BR duplex. Half-finished attic, first floor living/dining, kitchen with bedrooms upstairs. Call Jason at 657-3919 after 3pm

601 Rocky Grove Avenue, Franklin. 2BR, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor. \$560/mo. includes W/S. Call Carl at 678-5378.

1013 Beech St. Oil City 3BR. \$450 plus util. call Budd at 676-2690

West 1<sup>st</sup> St, OC. \$300 W/S/G included. No pets. Call 764-6347

OC 1BR and efficiencies \$325-425 plus electric. Call 271-4051

## HOUSES:

314 Hone Avenue, Oil City 3BR house \$650/mo. includes W/S/G. Call Yvonne at 673-4223.

1259 Mercer Road, FKLN. 2 or 3BR (2 living room's downstairs- one can be another bedroom). W/D and stove/ \$600/mo. plus ult. Requires first, last rent and \$450 dep. Call Jessica at 516-7478

312 Center Street, Franklin. 3BR single family home. NO appliances. Street parking only. Requires first, last rent and \$450 dep. Call Jessica at 516-7478

**Crisis Season** is in full Swing and has been busy – As a reminder if a Venango County resident's main source of heat is not working they will need to go the Department of Human Services to start the process to see if they are eligible for assistance, located at 530 13<sup>th</sup> Street, Franklin, PA.





# Smell gas? Leave fast!

**Then call 1-800-444-3130.**

**If you smell rotten eggs, it could be a natural gas leak.**

Leave the premises immediately and then contact National Fuel from a different location.



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