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## Mecklenburg County Manager's "Board Bulletin"

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### County Holds Ribbon-Cutting Ceremony for First Community Resource Center

Last week, we held a grand opening and ribbon-cutting ceremony for the Community Resource Center (CRC) located at the Valerie C. Woodard Center in west Charlotte. This is the first of six locations to be strategically placed throughout Charlotte-Mecklenburg providing integrated health and human services to County residents.

The CRC, which had a soft opening in June, offers a customer experience in an open environment with no lines, a personal greeting, an electronic kiosk check-in, cross service coordination, expedited processes for simple transactions and access to partner agencies (Charlotte Works, Loaves and Fishes and Promising Pages). Childcare services are also available on-site.

Here is a look at the services offered along with the number of customers served from June – August:

- Child Support Enforcement Services – 466
- Veterans Services – 576
- Emergency Community Services – 1,376
- Food and Nutrition Services – 8,378
- Medicaid – 3,762
- Work First – 949
- WIC – 2,131
- Immunization Services – 311
- Kids' Corner – 816
- Promising Pages – 406
- Charlotte Works – 64 percent employed
- Loaves and Fishes – 1,691

All of the services offered at the CRC, whether by community partners or the County, are facilitated through County staff. Charlotte Works is the only community partner that has an on-site person at this time, and all of the customers served through Charlotte Works are served and referred by County staff.

You can learn more about the CRC and [view pictures](#) from the grand opening [here](#).

For additional information, contact Community Resource Director Rodney Adams at 980-314-6475 or [Rodney.Adams@MecklenburgCountyNC.gov](mailto:Rodney.Adams@MecklenburgCountyNC.gov).

### Update on the County's Healthy Corner Store Initiative

In a continued effort to increase access to healthy food and beverage options, [Mecklenburg County Public Health's](#) Office of Policy & Prevention began the [Healthy Corner Store Initiative](#).

The initiative works with locally owned corner stores to enhance, highlight and promote healthier food and beverage options available to their respective customers. These collaborations have resulted in four corner stores – La Luna, Queen City Food Mart, Monroe Convenience Store and El Rincon Castrato – being awarded the North Carolina Healthy Food Retail Designation.

Each of these healthy corner stores were officially recognized by the Policy & Prevention team earlier this month for meeting the strict product standards that have been established by the North Carolina Healthy Food Retail Collaborative.

For more information, contact Public Health Director Gibbie Harris at 980-314-9020 or [Gibbie.Harris@MecklenburgCountyNC.gov](mailto:Gibbie.Harris@MecklenburgCountyNC.gov).

### Solid Waste Offers Sustainable Options for Yard Maintenance this Fall

This fall, [Mecklenburg County Solid Waste](#) is making it easier than ever for residents to conduct yard maintenance in a sustainable manner.

The department is providing free kraft paper bags for leaf collection at all [full-service recycling centers](#). The bags are great for the environment because they are completely compostable, unlike plastic bags.

In addition, Solid Waste is selling organic compost at Foxhole Recycling Center, 17131 Lancaster Highway, Charlotte and Compost Central, 140 Valleydale Road, Charlotte. Individual 1.5 cubic foot bags are available for \$4.25. Mecklenburg County compost is made locally from 100 percent wood materials that were not harvested for just making compost.

For more information, visit [wipeoutwaste.com](http://wipeoutwaste.com). You can also contact Solid Waste Director Jeff Smithberger at 980-314-3863 or [Jeffrey.Smithberger@MecklenburgCountyNC.gov](mailto:Jeffrey.Smithberger@MecklenburgCountyNC.gov).

#### CALENDAR REMINDERS

- Tuesday, Oct. 23, 3 p.m. – BOCC Budget and Policy Meeting, CMGC Room 267
- Tuesday, Oct. 23, 6 – 8 p.m. – Charlotte-Mecklenburg Meet & Eat Session at the Innovation Barn in Charlotte
- Tuesday, Oct. 23, 7 p.m. – County Assessor Ken Joyner will speak to the Grove Park Neighborhood Association about the 2019 Revaluation.
- Wednesday, Oct. 24, 6-8 p.m. – Mecklenburg County and the Clanton Park Neighborhood Association will host an On The Table CLT event. The event will take place at the Dorothy Waddy Pavilion at Clanton Park. More info available at [mecknc.gov](http://mecknc.gov).
- Thursday, Oct. 25, 6-8 p.m. – Charlotte-Mecklenburg Meet & Eat Session at Ivory/Baker Recreation Center

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