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Syringe Exchange Program Awarded Grant Funding

Earlier this month, the Public Health Department's Syringe Exchange Program was awarded \$550,000 in grant funding from the State to extend the program for two and a half years.

Through State funding and partnerships with [Center for Prevention Services](#) and [Carolinas Care Partnership](#), the program sees an average of 100 people a week for syringe and homelessness services. By meeting basic needs and utilizing peer engagement, the program is able to reduce harms associated with drug use and homelessness.

The grant funds will be given to Public Health Department partners Center for Prevention Services and Carolinas Care Partnership to support the Syringe Exchange Program as well as host support groups and provide education. The Public Health Department will continue to provide guidance and oversight to the community partners.

For more information, contact Public Health Director [Gibbie Harris](#).

Re-Entry Services hosts '30 Days Out' Simulation Event

On Tuesday, Dec. 17, Criminal Justice Services Re-Entry Services will host a simulation exercise to show the difficulties people with criminal records face during the first 30 days following their release. "30 Days Out" is a two-hour exercise targeted at law enforcement, district attorneys, the Public Defender's Office and other court officials.

The goal of the simulation is to highlight the obstacles faced by men and women attempting to navigate the system upon release from prison.

The event will also feature useful resources available through the County's re-entry partners.

Event Details:

- "30 Days Out" Re-Entry Simulation
- Tuesday, Dec. 17

- 10 a.m. – Noon
- Valarie Woodard Conference Center, 3205 Freedom Drive, Suite 4000, Entrance E, Charlotte

For more information on the simulation or Re-Entry Services, contact Program Manager [Hope Marshall](#).

Finance Department Manager Training Proposal Selected as Conference Topic

A training session proposed by Finance Contract Compliance Manager Alyson Neely has been selected as a conference topic for the 2020 Association of Government Accountants National Leadership Conference on Feb. 12 and 13 in Washington, D.C. The conference theme is “See Your Own Strength.”

Neely’s training proposal was one of 16 sessions chosen out of the 50 proposals submitted. Her topic, “Bridging the Skills Gap” is designed to show government leaders from across the nation how to reshape their workforce by identifying talent who can see finance through an innovative lens that blends people, process and technology together to become strategic business partners.

Neely is currently serving as the department representative for the conference’s technical committee. CFO Sarah Cunningham is serving as the State/Local Co-chair for the conference.

For more information on the AGA 2020 National Leadership Training Conference visit, <https://www.agacgfm.org/NLT/NLT-Home.aspx>.

Mecklenburg County Closed Dec. 24, 25, and 26

Mecklenburg County Government offices will be closed on Tuesday, Dec. 24, Wednesday Dec. 25 and Thursday, Dec. 26, 2019 for the Christmas holiday.

Our next Board Bulletin will be sent on Monday, Jan. 6, 2020.

Happy holidays!

CALENDAR REMINDERS

- Tuesday, Dec. 17 - BOCC Intergovernmental Relations Committee – CMGC 11th Floor Large Conference Room, 10:30 a.m. – noon
- Tuesday, Dec. 17 - BOCC Health & Human Services Committee Meeting – Moore’s Sanctuary, AME Zion 4101 Morris Field Dr, Charlotte, 1 – 2:30 p.m.
- Tuesday, Dec. 17 - BOCC Meeting – CMGC Meeting Chamber, 6 p.m.

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