## December 2022 Quincy Family Resource Center

| Sun                      | Mon  | Tue   | Wed  | Thu  | Fri                                      | Sat   |
|--------------------------|--|---|--|--|--|---|
|                          |  |   |  | 1  | Family Fun Friday<br>Activity post       | 3   |
| 4                        | 5  | 6<br>Grandparents Raising<br>Grandchildren 11:00am<br>to 12:00pm  | 7<br>LEADS 3:00pm-4:00pm<br>OR 4:30pm-5:30pm<br>Living Life Out Loud<br>4:00—5:00  | 8 Have you considered becoming a foster parent group at 5:30pm  LGBTQ + youth social group 6:00—7:00pm | 9<br>Family Fun Friday<br>Activity post  | 10<br>FRC Open<br>9:00—12:00pm<br>Winter activity from<br>10:30am - 11:30am |
| 11                       | Winter activity<br>3:30 - 4:30pm                                       | 13  | 14<br>LEADS 3:00pm-4:00pm<br>OR 4:30pm-5:30pm<br>Living Life Out Loud<br>4:00—5:00 | 15   | 16<br>Family Fun Friday<br>Activity post | 17  |
| 18<br>Hanukkah<br>Begins | 19   | 20<br>Grandparents Raising<br>Grandchildren 11:00am<br>to 12:00pm | 21<br>LEADS 3:00pm-4:00pm<br>OR 4:30pm-5:30pm<br>Living Life Out Loud<br>4:00—5:00 | 22   | 23 Family Fun Friday Activity post       | 24<br>Office Closed<br>Christmas Eve  |
| 25<br>Christmas<br>Day!  | 26<br>Office Closed<br>Hanukkah Ends<br>Kwanzaa Begins<br>Laundry Love | 27  | 28<br>LEADS 3:00pm-4:00pm<br>OR 4:30pm-5:30pm<br>Living Life Out Loud<br>4:00—5:00 | 29   | 30<br>Family Fun Friday<br>Activity post | 31<br>New Years Eve!  |

Grandparents Kaising Grandchildren & Kinship Caregivers- ∠oom support group for grandparents and kinship caregivers meets the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month from 11:00am-12:00pm in person. Tuesday 12/ 6 and 12/20. For more information, contact Andrea at 617-481-7227 x157 or email aroderick@baystatecs.org

**LEADS**— Learning Everyday Applied Skills for Success engages students (ages 11-18) in learning about positive decision making, leadership, taking responsibility, and healthy relationships. Meets weekly on Wednesdays, now offering two options for times: Option 1: 3:00-4:00pm and Option 2: 4:30-5:30pm This group will be conducted via Zoom video online conferencing. Registration is required. Please contact Candice at 617-481-7227 x193 or ckunigenas@baystatecs.org.

LGBTQ+ Youth Social Group – Thursday, 12/8 from 6:00-7:00. A group where Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Questioning (LGBTQ+) youth can come to socialize with peers and find support. Ages 11-18. Group will be conducted in person at 1120 Hancock Street, Quincy, MA. Registration required. Please contact Jackie at 617.481.7227 ext. 166 or Jwalorz@baystatecs.org

**Free Period Products and Supplies-** We are grateful to be partnering with St. John the Evangelist (Hingham, MA) on their "Free." initiative which provides free menstruation supplies to those in need on the South Shore. The products to support this biological function are an added expense placed on many who are already experiencing financial insecurity. Compounding this issue is that these products are not covered by benefits. This gap in need and coverage imposes yet another barrier to equity in education and employment as many are forced to miss school or work. If you need these products, please reach out to the QFRC by contacting Deb at <a href="mailto:dbaker@baystatecs.org">dbaker@baystatecs.org</a> or 617-481-7227 x196.

**Birthday in a Bag-** The QFRC is offering an ongoing event to help plan your child's birthday! We will provide you with a bag full of birthday treats, gifts, and party supplies. You will need to register 2 weeks in advance before your child's birth date. For more information, please contact Deb at dbaker@baystatecs.org or 617-481-7227 x196

**Have You Considered Becoming A Foster Parent?** Join us on Thursday, 12/8 at 5:30pm for a virtual information sessions about becoming a foster parent and make a difference in a child's life. For more information, please contact Jahnea by phone at 508-894- 3906 or by e-mail at <a href="mailto:Jahnea.Johnson@massmail.state.ma.us">Jahnea.Johnson@massmail.state.ma.us</a> or Christine Barry at 781-864-5103.

**Family Fun Social Media** – Be on the lookout for virtual activities posted throughout the month on the Quincy Family Resource Center Facebook page and Instagram feed! These posts include fun activities for children of all ages and are a great way to engage with your kiddos.

Laundry Love — Complimentary laundry services for families are being offered on a modified basis. Laundry supplies and preloaded laundry cards for clients are being left during the designated times asking everyone to use on the honor system. Please remember to follow proper social distancing and wear face masks- we really want everyone to be safe! Monday, 12/26 at 4:00-6:30pm at Superwash 259 Nantasket Ave Hull, MA. The last load must go in by 5:45 PM. This is provided by St. John's Episcopal Church in Hingham, with support from the Quincy Family Resource Center. Signs are posted at each location with instructions and contact information. For more information contact Laundrylovej@outlook.com

## **New for Winter 2022**

**Winter Activities**— Families please join us in a free celebration of the holidays with food, and winter arts and crafts! Either or Saturday 12/10 10:30-11:30am or Monday 12/12 from 3:30 –4:30pm. For more information, please contact Jacqulyn Walorz at 617-481-7227 ext. 166 or jwalorz@baystatecs.org

**Living Life Out Loud—LOL—**Are you between the ages of 16 - 24 and in need of basic resources and information regarding things like employment, health insurance, housing, education and transition planning, finances, etc.? The QFRC invites you to come on in and chill!! Let's talk about how we can help you live L.O.L.!!! FREE pizza, drinks, and snacks!! Drop-in time is every Wednesday from 4:00PM-5:00PM. Any questions contact Andrea at aroderick@baystatecs.org or 617-481-7227 x157

**Knowledge is Power** – This is an in person group that empowers female youth (ages 12-18) to become fearless by making safe relationship choices, recognizing warning signs in relationships, practicing social media safety, and developing an awareness around and prevent exploitation. Registration required. For more information please contact Andrea Roderick at <a href="mailto:aroderick@baystatecs.org">aroderick@baystatecs.org</a> or at 617-481-7227 x 157

## **HOW TO REACH US!**

The Quincy Family Resource Center is available to support you, offering individual support for families, referrals for services, assessments, and groups in person or on Zoom. If you need any assistance, please contact Melissa Harrison at 617-481-7227 x165 or email *QuincyFRC@baystatecs.org*. Any schedule changes will be posted on our website and social media pages.

## **QFRC Monday-Friday Hours of Operation**

Monday 9am-5pm Tuesday 9am-7:30pm Wednesday 9:30am-5:30pm Thursday 9am-7:30pm Friday 9am-5pm

2nd & 4th Saturday of the Month: 9am-12pm

Note: the office will be closed on Christmas Eve December 24th and

The Day after Christmas, December 26th





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