

COMMUNITY ACTION OF ORLEANS AND GENESEE

EMPLOYEE NEWSLETTER



Our mission:

To provide services, with dignity and respect, that help people become self-sufficient

Hello Team:

Happy New Year!! I hope everyone had the opportunity to spend some relaxing time with friends and family. It's time to look forward to an exciting new year for our agency.

In 2023, we will begin an employee of the month program. Our Director of Operations, Jackie Dunham will soon communicate details. During the first quarter we will be moving to a new and improved fiscal system called Blackbaud Financial Edge NXT that will enable us to be more efficient, accurate, and have better oversight over finances. Other projects include refining job descriptions and working toward defining specific pay ranges for roles. It is important that we build in pathways for growth.

Through the new year we will be exploring new ways to generate revenue that can help us to build capacity and strengthen our agency. Some of our sister agencies have done things like purchase a taxi cab company, create a food service program for local hospitals, and some outsource their training resources. Let your manager know if you have ideas!

In January, we expect to close the deal on our sale of our West State Street garage property and we continue to explore possibilities for consolidating our Orleans county operations into one main building. Our Food Rx: Stone Soup Success program which we partner with Cornell Cooperative Extension will be ramping up in early 2023 as well as our Exhale Respite program which is in partnership with the Medina YMCA. Finally, our Axis of Care program in Holley continues and we just received word that we can resume Mobile Health Unit medical visits in January.

We are working to strengthen our partnership with OCALS Learning Services. <https://ocals.org/>. OCALS provides free one-to-one tutoring in adult and child literacy, basic conversational English literacy, and even math literacy. Referrals to OCALS have been added to our ImPowr system. Should you be working with an individual or family which could benefit from this service, please document the referral in ImPowr and refer the customer to Kathleen Punch at katch220@yahoo.com or 585 590-1292.

Our mission is to help people to become self-sufficient. In 2023, we will continue to expand our services toolbox and broaden our partnerships to better help those who are working hard to overcome financial insecurity.

A new year is a time for hope and possibilities. Thank you for all that you do for our agency and our communities.

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 of Orleans County
 Christ Episcopal Church
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 Dezen, Audrey
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We would like to express our deepest gratitude for all your contributions in 2022. In addition to the list there are a number of donors who have chosen to remain anonymous.

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Parade of Lights Toy Drive in Medina Fills 16 Large Bags & Collects \$160.00



MEDINA – The 6th annual Parade of Lights Toy Drive resulted in sixteen big bags filled with donated toys and \$160.00 in donations. Canalside Tattoo was the collection point for the donations. Pictured from left include Matt Rolfe, Shawn Ramsey, owner Canalside Tattoo and organizer of the effort, Megan Furness, CJ Cruickshank, James Christian and Andrew London.

The toys and money were given to MAAC and Community Action, which then distribute the toys to many local children



Pictured left to right include Community Action of Orleans and Genesee, Inc. representatives: Melinda Daniels, Richard Standish, Jacquelyn Dunham, Ernest Gurrslin, Quarmaine Winters and Sherry Touhey of MACC, representing Medina Area Association of Churches.

We are extremely grateful to the community and to Canalside Tattoo for making sure more children will experience a better Christmas this year, every gift and every penny is appreciated.

Albion News

FFA DAY

December 10, 2022



**Albion Middle
School Volunteers
Packed 150 Holiday
Food Bags**



Volunteers Sorted and Organized Toys for 100 Local Children



Community Action of Orleans and Genesee partner with Ministry of Concern to help get gifts out to children and families this holiday season.



Volunteers Packed 100 Harvest Food Bags



Holley News

Eastern Orleans Community Center



Holley Honor Society handed out food and gifts at the Eastern Orleans Community Center.

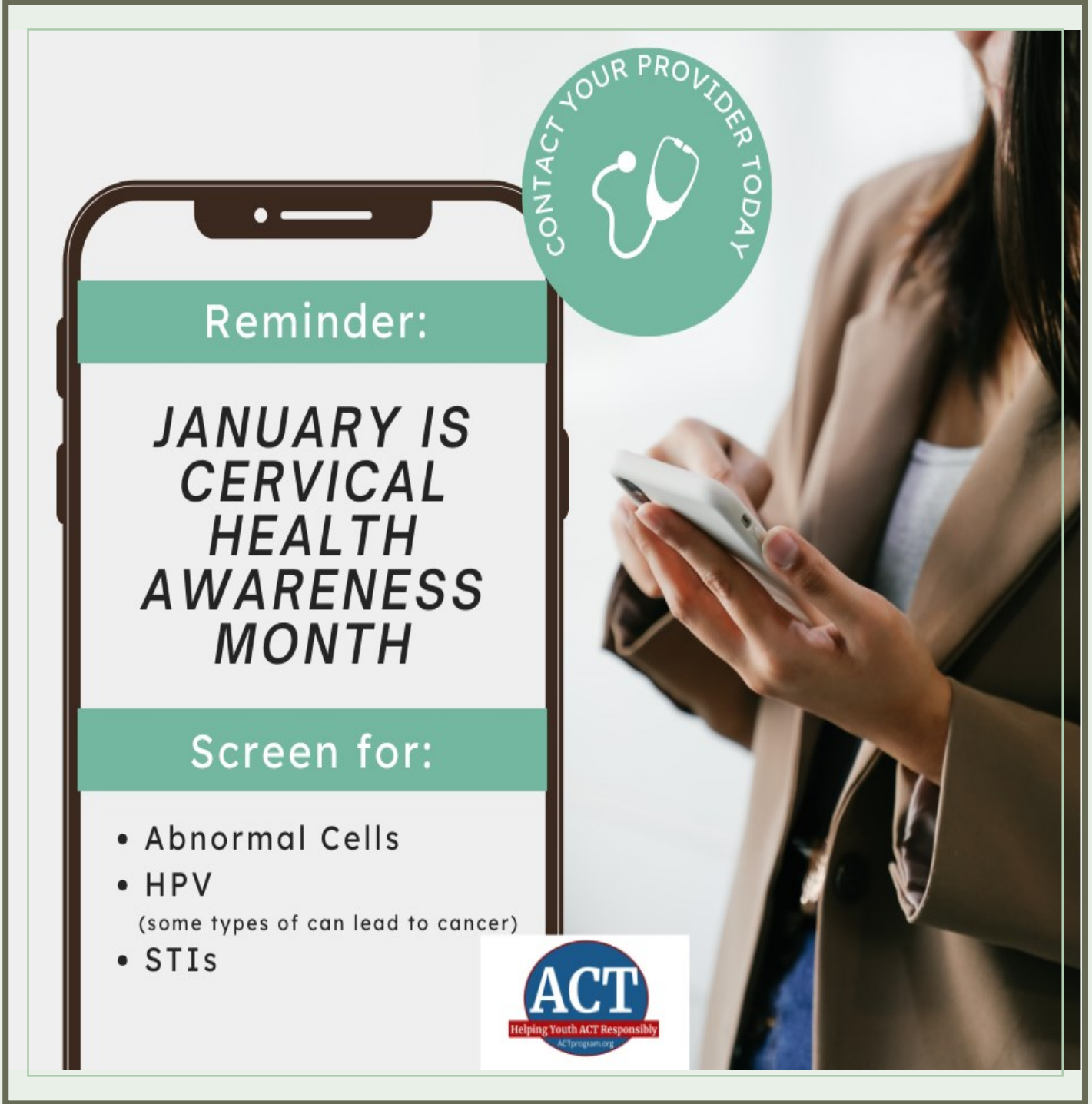
Breakfast With Santa!



Batavia News

The Western New York Tech Academy students 9th-12th graders participated in a volunteer day where Community Action hosted students on Friday, December 9th to get some volunteer experience. Students organized clothes, sorted toys, and made food boxes.






Reminder:

**JANUARY IS
CERVICAL
HEALTH
AWARENESS
MONTH**

Screen for:

- Abnormal Cells
- HPV
(some types of can lead to cancer)
- STIs

CONTACT YOUR PROVIDER TODAY



Main Street Store

EMPLOYEE DISCOUNT!



You have questions, we have answers.

CURRENT Community Action Employees

Will receive 30% off EVERY TIME they visit the store.



**BIG SALES FOR
JANUARY**

1.4.23- Christmas Room 50% off

1.6.23- Furniture 50% off

1.13.23 - 1.14.23- Fill a bag INFANT CLOTHES \$5

1.19.23- Dishes 25% off

1.21.23- BOGO Chairs

1.27.23- Table/Desks 30% off

ALL MONTH LONG!

IF YOU BRING US A DONATION OF BAGS

YOU WILL RECEIVE A 15% off coupon to use on a future purchase!