

**July 2014** 

# Family Support

## **Community Development Center**



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#### The New Fiscal Year Is Here!

The Local Council will hold their first meeting of the new fiscal year on July 14th. At that time, funding will be allocated to individuals in Bedford, Coffee, Franklin, Lincoln, Marshall, and Moore counties. Letters will follow to those who are approved for flexible support services. Letters confirming current information will also go out to those who are on the waiting list.

Officially, the new fiscal year began July 1. Meaning, you should begin saving your receipts, 'school notes', etc. <u>now</u>. (We advise those of you on our waiting list to save, too, in preparation of funds becoming available. Just put them aside in a folder or box every time you get one!)

As our new year begins there are a few thing we would like you to keep in mind:

- The new fiscal year began July 1. The allocated funding however, will be available the first week of August, at the earliest.
- **Before any disbursements will be made...** U.S. Citizenship must be documented and all eligibility forms must be completed. This includes any needed updates to proofs of disability and residency. All signed paperwork and other updates must be to to the Coordinator by September 15, 2014. (After this date, funding is moved to those on the Waiting List.)
- Receipts or signed home services forms are required before Family Support can issue any checks.
- Paid personal assistants and sitters <u>may not</u> live in the same home with the client, and they <u>may not</u> be conservator for the Family Support client.
- Notes and/or letters will <u>not</u> be accepted in place of receipts or invoices.
- Checks will be written weekly by our business office. Any receipts or invoices received after 2:00 on Mondays will be processed the following week. Also, we will be mailing all checks, unless it is an emergency or special circumstance.
- If you are allocated funding, the last day you are able to turn in receipts for reimbursement is May 15, 2015. (After this date, per the Local Council, funding is moved to those on the waiting list.)

Additional information will be included in your allocation letter. However, don't hesitate to call if you have any questions regarding your allocation and how it can be spent.

Per the Department of Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (DIDD), and the Family Support State Council...

- If an individual is receiving HCBS waiver services, he or she is <u>not eligible</u> for the Family Support Program.
- If an individual has been diagnosed with <u>solely</u> a mental illness or serious emotional disturbance, then he or she is <u>not eligible</u> for the Family Support Program.
- An individual is <u>not eligible</u> to receive services through the Choices Program and Family Support at the same time.

# Putting a face on the CDC Family Support Program!





#### SHELBYVILLE, TN 37160 111 EAGLETTE WAY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CENTER FAMILY SUPPORT PROGRAM



3rd Annual

### Walk-N-Roll

for Family Support 9:00 am Sat, November 1, 2014 Shelbyville

We ask each FS family to raise at least \$20 and join us for a fun morning. Proceeds from the event benefit those on the waiting list and help to administer our program. Keep an eye out for more information to arrive in the mail.

Participation, not distance, is our goal.

#### **Benefits Enrollment Counseling Program.**

Qualify for food stamps or SSI? Not sure? We can help you find out, or re-apply.

#### If you are:

- 65 years and older, or
- 21 years and older and have a disability

Call to make an appointment to discuss these and other benefits you may be eligible to receive. 931-684-7673

#### **Parent Tip:**

If your child is 3 years old, and because of his or her disability, is still wearing diapers, you might be able to get them provided through your insurance. Talk with your child's doctor or your insurance carrier.



Megan Hartwig of Coffee County is very excited about participating in the Special Olympics this year.

Send us your Olympics photos to share in our next newsletter.