



DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. COMMUNITY CENTER

August 7, 2026

**The Ravers are performing at the MLK
Wednesday, August 19, 5:30 - 7 p.m.**

Catch **The Ravers** on **Wednesday, August 19, from 5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.** for this month's Live from the Loading Dock - Parkside performance.

Their lively reggae jams have been a Newport staple since 1988.

Join us for Jamaican food, soft drinks, and great music! Just bring your favorite blankets and chairs.

Thank you to our incredible sponsor, **Teri Degnan Real Estate and Consulting, LTD**, for making these concerts free and open to all in Newport County.

the RAVERS

WED. AUGUST 19
5:30 - 7:00 P.M.

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Back-to-School Kids' Clothing Drive and Giveaway

KIDS' CLOTHING DRIVE AND GIVEAWAY



Thanks to our friends at the **Four Hearts Foundation** for helping us collect new or gently worn clothing for children of all ages in Newport County!

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♥ **Four Hearts Foundation** ♥



Portsmouth Playground

153 Turnpike Ave, Portsmouth RI



Sunday, August 9

3:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Friday, August 14
3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.



***Join us at the Center to choose clothes donated through the drive!
Please use the Edward St. Entrance.***



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20 Marcus Wheatland Blvd. Newport RI



Who doesn't love a new outfit at the beginning of a new school year? We know we do! We also know how expensive clothes can be for growing kids, but don't worry, we got you covered! In collaboration with the Four Hearts Foundation, **The MLK Center will have a Back-to-School Kids' Clothing Drive this month.**

Here are the details:

Since the Center does not have enough storage space for all the donations, the Clothing Drop-Off Event will be hosted by our friends from the **Four Hearts Foundation** at Portsmouth Playground, located at 153 Turnpike Ave. Portsmouth RI, from 3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. on Sunday, August 9. New and gently worn clothes for children of all ages and sizes are welcome.

On Friday, August 14, from 3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m., the Center will host the Giveaway event. All kids and families are welcome to participate. Please enter through the Edward St. entrance.

We can't wait to see you there!

COLECTA Y SORTEO DE ROPA INFANTIL

¡Gracias a nuestros amigos de la Four Hearts Foundation por ayudarnos a recoger ropa nueva y ropa en buenas condiciones para niños de todas las edades en el condado de Newport!



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EVENTO DE
DONACIÓN



Viernes 14 de Agosto
3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

¡Únete a nosotros en el Centro para elegir ropa donada durante la campaña! Por favor, usen la entrada de Edward St.



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We need your help

With over 25 programs in Hunger Relief, Education, and Community Health & Wellness, the MLK Community Center serves over 8,700 people a year, distributes nearly 1.4 million meals, and helps strengthen Newport County.

How do we do it? **These accomplishments would not be possible without our volunteers. You make it possible, and we need your help.**

We are doing the best we can to extend our services to best meet the needs of Newport County. Check out the video below of long-time volunteer and friend of the Center, Ginny, to see why she dedicates her time to the Center.

Will you join her in making a difference for Newport County? Click the button below to reach out and get started.

[Click here to volunteer and make a difference today](#)



Summer Camp Adventures Continue!



Each summer, our campers enjoy tennis lessons from the International Hall of Fame's **TeamFame Community Outreach Program**. They come to the Center and coach our kids on how to hold a racket properly, ball control, and more. We are so grateful to have opportunities for our kids to participate in sports.

Our friends from **Girl Scouts of Southern New England** have been visiting the Center this Summer to spend time with our campers. We discussed different types of animals and what makes them unique. Then, we made informational brochures to teach our fellow campers about our favorite animals. We had so much fun!

Our recent field trip to the **International Yacht Restoration School (IYRS)** was amazing. We toured the trade school and saw where enrolled students build boats, learn about other marine trades, take classes, and more. We are thankful our kids got to see such a fascinating marine trade school, so they know what options lie ahead for their futures.

Support MLK Summer Camp



Join in the fun with the Pell Bridge Run

The [Citizens Pell Bridge Run](#) is coming up on August 30, and Team MLK is running for Newport County! The race is sold out, but you can still join the fun:

Already registered to run? **You can start your own fundraiser to benefit the MLK Center.**

Support runners with a donation! Your gift of \$25, \$50, or \$100 will help relieve hunger, provide high-quality preschool and afterschool enrichment, and foster healthy communities where everyone can thrive.

Cheer on the sidelines or leave a message of support on our socials (linked at the bottom of this newsletter!)

Questions? Reach out to Hilary Goodnow at hgoodnow@mlkccenter.org or 401-846-4828 x125.

Start your MLK fundraiser or donate today



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Run and Support Team MLK Sunday, August 30, 2026

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Diane, Middletown

We are closed Monday, August 10



We are closed in observance of the state holiday on Monday, August 10, for all programs.

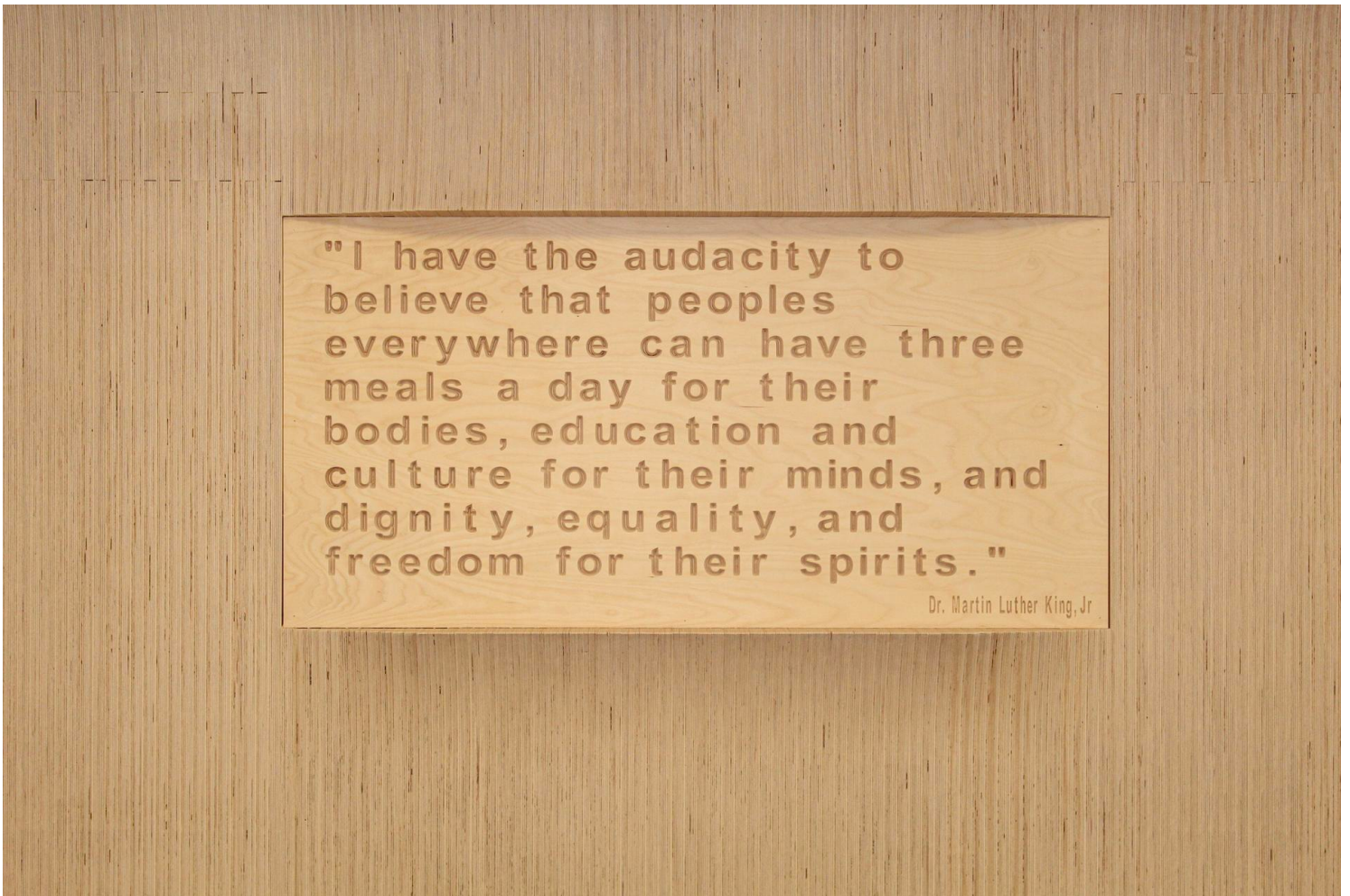
Everything will resume as scheduled on Tuesday, August 11.

See you then!



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We are hiring in our Education Department!



This quote by Dr. King is so important to us that it's etched into the walls of the Center to inspire us each day. **If it resonates with you as well, then you might be a perfect fit for our team.**

We are hiring in our [**After School Program**](#), which provides affordable afternoon childcare for working families. If you want to support Newport County students or know someone who does, **please click the button below to apply or share the opportunity.**

Learn more and apply now!



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WE ARE HIRING!

OPEN POSITIONS:

- AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM TEACHER ASSISTANT

email us your resume at jobs@mlkccenter.org

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We need gluten free-options in our Pantry

We know certain dietary restrictions can become fads or health crazes, but if you or anyone you know has celiac disease, a gluten allergy, or an intolerance, you know how important it is to have options that work for your diet.

Many of our clients request gluten-free options in our pantry, and they are donated very infrequently.

If you are looking for a way to make a difference, you can give with the button below or drop off gluten-free items to our loading dock Monday – Friday, from 8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Give to our Food Pantry and help us fight hunger

DONATIONS NEEDED

MLK FOOD PANTRY



GLUTEN FREE OPTIONS



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Beep! Beep! Here Comes the Mobile Food Pantry!



MOBILE FOOD PANTRY TRACKER



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The Mobile Food Pantry is coming your way! Here are next week's Mobile Food Pantry Locations:

Tuesday 8/11/2026:

- Oxbow Farms, 80 Rogers Ln. Middletown RI 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.
- AHEPA II Apartments, 87 Girard Ave. Newport RI 1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.
 - Residents Only

Thursday 8/13/2026:

- Donovan Manor, 19 Chapel St. Newport RI 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.
- Edgar Ct. Cul-de-Sac Newport RI 1 :30 p.m. – 2 :30 p.m.

All are welcome. You do not need to reside in the neighborhood to use the Mobile Food Pantry, unless otherwise advised. Please remember to bring your reusable bags.

Download Our Monthly Calendars

Download August Community Programs Calendar in English

Descargar Calendario de Programas Comunitarios de Agosto en Español

Download August Hunger Relief Calendar in English

Descargar Calendario de Combatir Del Hambre de Agosto en Español



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