Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Community Center

November 13, 2026

Today is the last day to sign up for Thanksgiving Help!

Today is the last day to register for Thanksgiving Help! You can register today at the Center from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. or at the North End Food Pantry from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. To register: don't forget your photo ID, proof of Newport County address, and proof of household size, as these items are required.

Holiday Meal Help and Santa's Workshop registration will remain open until Friday, December 11, at the Center and the North End Food Pantry. Please see the graphics below for details.

None of our holiday programs happen without the generosity of our community. If helping others enjoy a Thanksgiving or Christmas feast, or making sure local kids find presents under the tree is part of your holiday tradition, there's still time to help. Click the button below to give. Thank you.

Give to Thanksgiving Help

Holiday Help Info

Give to Holiday Help

MLK Holiday Help 2026

Tues. Oct. 13

Registration Begins

THESE MATERIALS ARE REQUIRED:
Photo ID, proof of Newport County* address, and proof of household size

MLK Community Center
20 Dr. Marcus Wheatland Blvd.
Newport RI

In person registration only
Mon. - Fri. 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Wed. 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.
& 4 - 6 p.m.

MLK North End Food Pantry
120 Hillside Ave.
Newport RI

In person registration only
Mon. 3 - 5 p.m.
Tues. & Fri. 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Fri. Nov. 13

Registration for Thanksgiving Ends

Fri. Dec. 11

Registration for Christmas Ends

***Newport, Middletown, Portsmouth, Jamestown, Tiverton, and Little Compton**

Questions?

401.846.4828 x124

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MLK Ayuda para los Días Festivos 2026

Martes 13 Oct.

El Registro Comienza

PARA REGISTRARSE TRAER:
Identificación con foto, evidencia de domicilio, comprobante de domicilio del condad de Newport* y, los integrantes de la familia

MLK Community Center
20 Dr. Marcus Wheatland Blvd.
Newport RI

Registro solo en Persona
Lun. - Vie. 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Mié. 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.
& 4 - 6 p.m.

Despensa de Alimentos de North End
120 Hillside Ave
Newport RI

Registro solo en Persona
Lun. 3 - 5 p.m.
Mart. & Vie. 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Viernes 13 Nov.

Finaliza la inscripción para el Día de Acción de Gracias

Viernes 11 Dic.

Finaliza la inscripción para la Navidad

***Newport, Middletown, Portsmouth, Jamestown, Tiverton, and Little Compton**

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¿Preguntas?

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Last weekend, the St. George's School Dragons (the school's mascot!) delivered nearly **7,000 lbs. of food** after rallying the community with their 42nd ***Annual Feed-a-Friend Holiday Food Drive***.

Each year, students canvass local neighborhoods for several weeks leading up to their one-day blitz. On donation day, students and faculty roll in cartful after cartful of food into the Center. Then, they get to work assisting us by sorting and stocking the donations.





We are so impressed by the initiative shown by these students, and we are grateful for the impact this donation will have on locals in our community. Thank you!



Music matters in Preschool

Our littlest learners love when we have friends from the community visit them in the classroom. **Dr. Holly Moore** from ***Salve Regina University***'s Education Department regularly visits our preschoolers to give them music lessons. Our students play instruments, sing, and dance. Exposure to creative arts like music is an important benchmark in early learning. Who knows, maybe we are inspiring a future artist who will top the streaming charts! Check out the video below to see the most adorable little music class.



Proud to be a Bombas partner

Bombas is a comfort-focused, basics apparel brand with a mission to help those experiencing housing insecurity. At Bombas, every purchase equals one donation in the United States and beyond. The company has made over 200+ Million donations worldwide, including right here at the MLK. We are proud to be a part of Bombas' Giving Partner network as one of 4,000 organizations across the United States. Bombas donated 750 pairs of warm socks to the MLK Community Center, helping our community's most vulnerable neighbors. Who knew a pair of socks could have such an impact?



Do you have questions about Medicare and Medicaid?

Join us on **Wednesday**, **November 18** in the Lobby at the Center to get all your Medicare and Medicaid questions answered.

Jeff Gale, **a Medicare and Medicaid specialist,** will be at the Center from **4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.**

We are grateful to have these resources available to our community, and we hope to see you there.


Do you have questions about Medicare or Medicaid?
Join us November 18 to get your enrollment questions answered by Medicare/Medicaid specialist, Jeff Gale
4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
MLK Lobby
SINCE 1922
Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Community Center


¿Tienes preguntas sobre Medicare y Medicaid?
Únete a nosotros el 18 de Noviembre para que el especialista en Medicare/Medicaid, Jeff Gale, resuelva tus dudas sobre la inscripción
4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
El Lobby de MLK
Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Community Center
SINCE 1923

Save the Date: Tuesday, December 1

Save the date to support our Preschool program on ***GivingTuesday***!

Our Preschool Program provides affordable, high-quality childcare and education for children 3 - 5 years of age for working families in Newport County. Offering bilingual social-emotional learning as well as academic skills, the MLK Preschool helped develop the ***RI Early Childhood Education Standards***. Parents know their children have a safe place to explore their curiosity and learn. In addition, students are served a healthy breakfast, lunch, and snack prepared in-house each day.

Thanks to David and Ellie Voorhes, your gift on GivingTuesday will be doubled, dollar-for-dollar, up to $20,000. Mark your calendars for Tuesday, December 1, and get ready to give. Together we can make a difference with radical generosity.


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SINCE 1922
GIVING TUESDAY
Save the Date: 12.1.26
GivingTuesday Supports MLK Preschool
MY FIRST DAY OF Preschool!
PRE-KINDERGARTEN
DIPLOMA



Thank you, City of Newport

We are grateful to the ***City of Newport*** for providing civic support that helps sustain all MLK programs. We help over 5,300 Newport residents annually. We distribute over 1,890,000 meals, provide over $344,000 in educational scholarships, help 86 unhoused residents with showers and hygiene kits, and so much more, thanks to funders like the City of Newport.



Tiverton News: Bourne Mills Produce to the People moves inside



We have important news for our friends who participate in Produce to the People at Bourne Mills.

On Monday, November 16, Produce to the People will move inside for residents only.

Please review our ***Hunger Relief Calendar***, which is linked at the bottom of this newsletter, to see our program schedule.



A round of applause for RISSA

Our friends from the ***Rhode Island Social Skills Academy (RISSA)*** visit the Center often. This week, they went shopping with money they raised to buy healthy food and items we need in our Food Pantry. After delivered off their donations, they made Thanksgiving cards for community members in our ***Food 2 Friends*** program who will be receiving special meals for the holidays.

We love having our RISSA friends at the Center and we are grateful for everything they do.


EXIT
DONATIONS AND DELIVERIES
GOOD THINGS ARE IN STORE
STOP&SHOP



Beep! Beep! Here Comes the Mobile Food Pantry!



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

Tuesday 11/17/2026:

- Festival Field, 90 Girard Ave. Newport RI 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.
- Meadowlark Park, 132 Prospective Ave. Middletown RI 1:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.
  - *Residents Only*

Wednesday 11/18/2026:

- Quaker Estates, 2386 E. Main Rd. Portsmouth RI 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.
- Anthony House, 51 Middle Rd. Portsmouth RI 1:15 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.
  - *Residents Only*

Thursday 11/19/2026:

- Apple Creek Apartments, 700 Windwood Dr. Tiverton RI 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.
- Bourne Mills, 1 Mill St. Tiverton 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 November Community Programs Calendar in English

Descargar Calendario de Programas Communitarios de Noviembre en Español

Download November Hunger Relief Calendar in English

Descargar Calendario de Combatir Del Hambre de Noviembre en Español

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