

MRN News Update - December 15, 2020

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News

"If You Can't Afford to Pay Your Utility Bill, New Jersey Can Help". Lt. Governor Sheila Oliver and NJBPU President Joseph Fiordaliso remind residents that there will be no utility shut-offs through at least March 15, 2021, while urging eligible residents with past-due utility bills to take action and enroll in financial assistance programs now.

New Online Resource Shows How You Can Help to Fight COVID-19 The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, in coordination with NIH and Operation Warp Speed, has just launched a website called Combat COVID. The Combat COVID website, which can also be viewed in Spanish, is organized to guide you to the most relevant information based on your own COVID-19 status:

Events

December 15, 2020. <u>Career Development Workshop</u>. Strategies and Resources for college students and recent college graduates. RSVP to Mariela Osorio to receive the registration link.

December 17, 2020. LONG BRANCH. <u>Holiday Drive-In Laser Light Show</u>. Registration is required. Include name, email, phone #, Car make & license number. LIMITED SPACE! Must stay in car & cars cannot idle.

December 17, 2020. NJ Spotlight News Virtual Roundtable: Child Care in New Jersey: A Key to the State's Economic Recovery. Please join NJ Spotlight News for a virtual roundtable featuring government officials, policy advocates, and business representatives to discuss these and other questions regarding the economic effect of New Jersey's child care challenges.

December 22, 2020. <u>Family Resource Network Open Enrollment Help</u> Don't forget to enroll by December 31st to start your coverage on January 1, 2021. FRN certified Health Insurance Navigators can help you find quality, affordable health insurance for you and your family on the Get Covered NJ Marketplace Portal

<u>Youth Bias Task Force Student Competition</u> Calling NJ's young people, 25 and under, to submit a creative hashtag, artwork, or video that will inspire others to stand up against hate! Please visit the #NJCivilRights student campaign's website for details

2021: <u>SCAN - Social Community Activities Network: 2021 Winter ONLINE Class & Virtual Event Schedule</u>
January 11 to April 9. SCAN's Annual <u>Membership</u> and Renewal rate is \$15.

Resources

<u>Holiday Gift Help</u> Monmouth County families having financial difficulties can apply to the Vin Gopal Civic Association website for support for gifts for their children.

<u>Financial Recovery Resource Initiative</u> is a Monmouth ACTS resource designed to provide COVID-19 relief for Monmouth County residents

JSAS Healthcare Virtual Narcan Trainings, December 2020. Training is open to anyone who is at risk of an opioid overdose or their family and friends. All participants will receive a treatment voucher for 30 days of free substance abuse treatment, at JSAS Healthcare, Inc., to use or distribute to any person that needs medication-assisted treatment.

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