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OFFICE ON YOUTH SPRING PROGRAM OFFERINGS

Office on Youth to Offer New and Enhanced Programming with Grant Funding

Orange County, VA – The Orange County Office on Youth is pleased to announce its vast spring program offerings. With the assistance of grant funding for parenting programs, as well as grant funding from the Virginia Foundation for Healthy Youth, the Office on Youth will offer the following:

1-2-3 Magic! – *1-2-3 Magic!* is a program designed for parents with children ages 2-12 that teaches effective methods for handling troublesome behavior. The class details easy-to-follow steps and uses a humorous approach.

When: Monday, March 7, 2016 and Monday, March 14, 2016 – 5:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Where: Gordon-Barbour Elementary School, 500 West Baker Street, Gordonsville, VA 22942

Fee: Free of charge! All materials provided, including a book for each family.

Details: Dinner is provided for the entire family at 5:30 p.m. Class is from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Childcare is provided onsite by licensed childcare providers free of charge.

Strengthening Families Program – The Strengthening Families Program is designed for families with youth ages 10-14 and helps youth learn to manage emotions, set goals, avoid peer pressure, make better decisions, and create better relationships. The program also helps families recognize their strengths and improves family value.

When: Seven week program, beginning Monday, March 21, 2016 – 5:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Where: Lake of the Woods Church, 1 Church Lane, Locust Grove, VA 22508

Fee: Free of charge! All materials provided.

Details: Dinner is provided for the entire family at 5:30 p.m. Class is from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Childcare is provided onsite by licensed childcare providers free of charge. A \$15 Sheetz gift card is provided weekly to assist with transportation expenses.

Understanding Autism: A Three-Part Series – The Office on Youth is partnering with the Virginia Institute of Autism to offer a three-part series on understanding autism. Topics include understanding autism and early detection, understanding how to address challenging behavior at home and in a childcare setting, and more.

When: Tuesdays: March 29, April 12, and April 19, 2016 – 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Where: Orange County Airport, 11275 Aviation Way, Orange, VA 22960

Fee: Free of charge!

Details: Different topics will be covered each week by clinical professionals. Open to all members of the public.

Basic Budgeting Skills Class – The Office on Youth is partnering with the Orange County Extension Office to offer a basic budgeting skills class. A number of basic skills will be discussed for assistance with developing household budgets.

When: Tuesdays: May 17, May 24, and May 31, 2016 – 5:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Where: Orange Presbyterian Church, 162 West Main Street, Orange, VA 22960

Fee: Free of charge!

Details: Dinner is provided for the entire family at 5:30 p.m. Class is from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Childcare is provided onsite by licensed childcare providers free of charge.

For additional information about any of these activities/classes/programs or to register, please contact Ashley Jacobs, Program Coordinator, at (540) 672-5484 or ajacobs@orangecountyva.gov.

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