

Community Engagement Report

September 2021

Visitors - 23

Volunteers - 3

The Community Learning Center (CLC) was closed for all scheduled activities at the beginning of September. Once the active number of COVID-19 cases reduced in Adair County the CLC was reopened. Regularly scheduled activities were held at the CLC beginning September 13, 2021. There were a total of 23 visitors at the CLC and 3 volunteers who assisted with preparing October mailings.

A new part-time CLC staff was hired in September to support visitors during day-to-day functioning and activities. Four interviews were held and the selected person began training on September 22nd and is learning quickly.

Two Mandt certification classes were held in September. Melissa recertified 6 area Direct Support Professionals and certified five new. There is a recertification class scheduled for the month of October.

The new Music Moves Group Therapy sessions began meeting in-person at the CLC in September and there were a total of 7 participants in attendance. This activity will continue to meet every-other-Tuesday through the fall. A new activity has been scheduled for the opposite Tuesdays; Exercise Your Mind. A group of 11 TSU students will be providing this activity to engage older adults through the beginning of November. This class will promote cognitive activities and engagement to help people maintain mental processing abilities.

Beginning in October, the CLC will be open on a more schedule. The Center will be open from 8AM-5PM on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Fridays with a set schedule of activities including Coffee and Cards, Crafts, Music Moves, Exercise Your Mind, and Bingo. The Center will be open by appointment only on Mondays and Thursdays. In addition, three TSU students will begin their capstone projects in October. They will be holding Fun Nights on Mondays from 4-7PM at the CLC.

Finally, final details were sent out for the new NEMO TIE Network. The first interest and informational meeting/dinner will be held on October 13th. Currently there are five people and their families/support staff signed up to attend.