### Heath Village March Employee Newsletter

#### **HOLIDAY REMINDER & CLARIFICATION**

Effective this year and thereafter, Easter Sunday (March 31, 2024) will be our designated holiday instead of Good Friday. This change will better recognize and compensate those employees required to work on Easter.

In addition, per diem employees will be paid time and one half for hours worked. Full-time and Part-time employees will be paid their regular rate for hours worked, plus their standard holiday benefit

(i.e. 8, 7.5, or 6 hours per day depending on status and usual schedule).

If you have any questions, please contact Kelly Stiles in Human Resources.



#### **HEATH VILLAGE COMMUNITY GARDEN PLOTS**

\*\*\*LIMITED AVAILABILITY FOR EMPLOYEES\*\*\*

Did you know Heath Village has a community garden? It is made up of approximately 64 individual beds (some raised) that are maintained by residents each growing season.

For 2024, there are a <u>very limited number</u> of beds (5) available for employee use on a first come first served basis.

Interested employees can sign up in Human Resources. The Community Garden Guidelines will be provided, must be agreed to, and will be enforced by our resident volunteers.



#### **Celebrating Our Amazing Social Services Team**

March is National Social Work Month, a time when we focus on the importance and impact of this great profession. Our team of social workers are an essential part of our community and perform many invaluable functions such as helping our residents adjust and adapt to their new home here at Heath Village, advocate for the residents' needs and rights, provide supportive counseling, advise residents' families and provide psychological assessments of our residents when needed.



Make sure to thank our Social Services team for everything they do daily to improve the lives of our residents and their families and continue to show our gratitude for their hard work all year long.

A heartfelt Thank You to Danielle Lovenberg-Pangallo, Lolita Lisankie, Quiomarie Munoz, Jen Rutter and Tara McMahon for all their dedication, support, care & service to our community.

#### 🔑 Erin go Bragh 🦂

Did you know we offer English language classes to employees interested in learning the English language and strengthening their communication skills?

All levels are welcomed as there are varying abilities to speak English in these classes. We work together and learn from one another. Each class is instructor led by one of our very own Heath Village residents, Maria Katonak.

If you would like to try a class and join this group in one of the weekly classes held every Thursday at 3:45 pm in the Board Room in Heath House, please call Maria Katonak directly at 908.269.6121 to register.





#### **WELCOME ABOARD!**

Heath Village is pleased to welcome the following employees who were hired in the month of February 2024!



Jillian Cash February 3 Dining Services



Lanamarie Howard February 3 Dining Services



Rosemary Felix February 5 Dining Services



Sebastian Salcedo February 8 Dining Services



Annaleen Carlos February 12 Nursing



Mikayala Angst February 21 Dining Services



Katie Siebens February 21 Dining Services



Kimberly LaMarco February 21 Rehabilitation



Leslie Vasquez February 27 Dining Services



Alexandria Roman February 28 Nursing



Eljan Wisbauer January 9 Dining Services

## Calling All Chefo

Get in on the fun and submit a "healthy" cooking recipe to the Housing Department!

We would like to create a collection of "Healthy" recipes featuring our incredible employees!!! The collection will be released at our upcoming Health & Fitness Event this May, open to both residents and prospects. Surely, everyone has a favorite dish — a dish you may be "known" for. "Healthy" is the key word. Get involved! Make a Difference! Please be sure your submission includes the following:

- 1) Recipe Name 2) Serving Size 3) Ingredients (in order of use)
  - 4) Directions 5) Dish Type (app, side, entrée, dessert)

Kindly email your recipe to pcristo@heathvillage.com





#### Congratulations to our March Employee Anniversaries

# Celebrating Years of Service



#### March 2024

Department	Name	Hire Date	Years of Service
Nursing	Edith Circelli	03/21/05	19
Administration	Mary Ellen Bove	03/25/09	15
Nursing	Nora Orozco	03/15/10	14
Nursing	Filomena Lascano	03/29/13	11
Nursing	Adriano Mercene	03/04/13	11
Nursing	Rosa Cardenas	03/27/17	7
Maintenance	Carlton Bridge	03/15/21	3
Maintenance	Lorenzo Naranjo	03/29/21	3
Nursing	Nenita Garcia	03/09/21	3
Dining Services	Wendy Guzman	03/26/22	2
Dining Services	Gemma Holloway	03/18/22	2
Dining Services	Nicole Paas	03/24/22	2
Dining Services	Sarahbeth Acker	03/30/23	1
Dining Services	Harrison Wise	03/22/23	1
Rehabilitation	Vanessa Sembrat	03/06/23	1













