

## **New Hanover County**

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SENIOR RESOURCE CENTER



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## Welcome!

Thank you for reading through our SRC Participant Guide. We hope to see you soon enjoying our programs and services!

#### **Location and Hours**

- ★ Senior Resource Center Main Location 2222 S. College Rd., Wilmington, NC 28403 Monday - Friday, 8am - 5pm; Thursday until 7pm Lunch served from 11am - 11:45am and 12pm to 1pm
- ★ Satellite Nutrition: Castle Hayne Baptist Church 4544 Parmele Rd., Castle Hayne, NC 28429 Monday - Friday, 9:30am - 1:30pm Lunch served from 11:15am - 12pm
- ★ Satellite Nutrition: Katie B. Hines Senior Center, 308 Cape Fear Blvd. Carolina Beach, NC 28428 Monday - Friday, 10am - 2pm Lunch served from 12pm - 1pm

\*Use the colored stars to find Nutrition staff and colorcoded activity calendars specific to each location

(910) 798-6400

Main phone number for questions or help

#### **Senior Resource Center Mission Statement**



To act as the focal point for aging services in New Hanover County by providing services which promote wellness, encourage independence, and enhance quality of life for all older persons.

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#### **Senior Center of Excellence**

New Hanover County Senior Resource Center is a certified Senior Center of Excellence by NC DHHS division of Aging and Adult Services.

Every 5 years we go through a rigorous yet rewarding process of recertification. We always strive for excellence!

Excellence

## **Our Locations**

Here is a visual of each of our three locations to help you find our buildings!



★ Senior Resource Center 2222 S. College Rd Wilmington, NC 28403

Located off Shipyard, behind Hoggard High and across from Long Leaf Mall. Follow the small green signs to find our building.

★ Castle Hayne Nutrition Satellite Site

Castle Hayne Baptist Church 4544 Parmele Rd Castle Hayne, NC 28429

Please enter through the main entrance to the church.





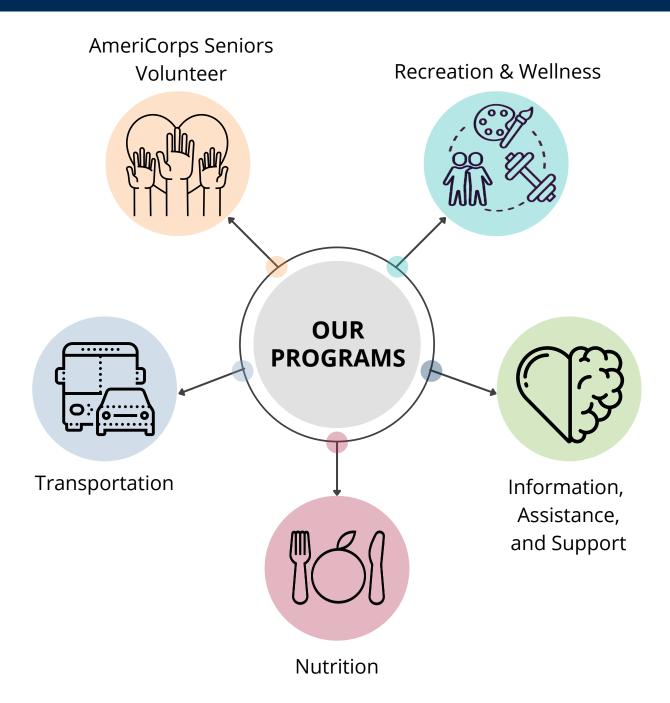
★ Carolina Beach
Nutrition Satellite Site

Katie B. Hines Senior Center 308 Cape Fear Blvd. Carolina Beach, NC 28428



## **Programs**

We provide a variety of programs and services to meet the needs of our participants. We are honored to have the opportunity to serve you!



To participate in grant funded programs (i.e., nutrition & transportation) you must be age 60+. We welcome adults 55+ to participate in all other activities.

Some programs require applications or registration, call (910) 798-6400 to learn more!

## & Services

#### Call (910) 798-6400 to learn more!

Fitness & Wellness Activities



Social, crafts, technology, and more

Mental Health Counseling & Social Work Services



Caregiver Support & Other Support Groups

Meals (60+): In-person dining, drive-up, and Home Delivered Meals



Nutrition Counseling & Education

Non-emergency Medical Transportation (60+)



General Transportation (60+)

RSVP: Retired & Senior Volunteer Program



Foster Grandparent Program: Volunteer to Mentor School-Age Kids

Medicare S.H.I.I.P and Prescription Assistance



Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA)

Incontinence Supplies with Donations from Diaper Bank



Older Adult Dental Program (NHC Health & Human Services)

For more information on our provided services, please call (910) 798-6400 and ask about the specific service you are interested in.



# New Participant News

We are grateful for your interest in New Hanover County's Senior Resource Center! As you get started, this has the important information you'll need to know.

#### **Subscribe to our E-Newsletter**

Newsletter

src.nhcgov.com/govdelivery

#### **Ready NHC: Emergency Management**

New Hanover County Emergency Management works year-round to build a resilient community that is prepared to respond quickly and efficiently to natural and man-made disasters. You can register for Emergency Alerts, Emergency News Updates, and find resources to plan for an emergency!

https://em.nhcgov.com/

#### **Code of Conduct**

The Senior Resource Center does not tolerate discrimination based on race, national origin, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or physical/mental disability.

#### Follow us on social media



https://www.facebook.com/NHC SeniorResourceCenter



https://www.instagram.com/nhcsrc/

#### **Master Aging Plan**

New Hanover County Senior Resource Center has developed the first five-year Master Aging Plan (MAP) in the fourcounty region. This plan will help shape the resources and services for older adults with a wide range of needs by serving as a "roadmap" to deliver comprehensive and coordinated aging services now and in the years to come.

The Master Aging Plan will help ensure that New Hanover County supports and fosters lifelong community engagement and

Master Aging Plan for a Healthier Future

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Ves, Strategies and Indicators

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https://src.nhcgov.com/527/ Master-Aging-Plan

well-being.



## Register HERE

https://src.nhcgov.com/2340/Get-Registered

#### **Register for Recreation Programming**

Registration forms (which are blue) can be found at any of our three locations for paper copies. Visit our website to Get Registered online, click link above or copy/paste link above into web browser. It can take up to 5-10 business days to become a registered participant. We will call you when your badge is ready for pickup.

#### **Our Reservation Line**

Once you are a registered participant, call our registration line at **(910) 798-6450** and leave a message letting us know if you want to register for the online portal or for a specific class.

#### **Online Participant Portal**

Once you are a registered participant, you will receive an email from us with instructions on how to register for our Participant Portal. This email will include a "How to Register for the Online Client Portal" information sheet and a video about the Client Portal and its features.



**PARTICIPANT PORTAL** 

Look for this logo on our website to visit our Participant Portal and start registering for classes!

#### **Don't Forget to Check-In!**

Once you are registered, you will be given an ID badge. This card is scanned at the main location kiosks to check-in. Our Satellite Nutrition sites have other check-in procedures.

Some activities occur all-day/every-day! You do not need to register, but please use the check-in kiosks to tell us which activity you will be participating in by selecting "ACTIVITIES". Instructions are at the top or for assistance ask our Front Desk staff.

You can register for a class at the kiosk by selecting "CLASS REGISTRATION". A list will appear. Click the classes you are interested in and click the green "REGISTER" button. You can register for more than one class at a time. When you are done, press "OK" to confirm.

#### **Safety Protocols**

The center's Safety Team can assist in maintaining participant safety due to sudden onset of illness or injury until Emergency Management Services (EMS) arrives. EMS/Ambulance is called for all illnesses and falls requiring evaluation and assistance.



# Recreation & Operations

Recreation offers ways for independent adults to stay social, active, and healthy through inclusive programing, activities, & classes to meet every interest and ability.

#### **Recreation Staff**

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### **Program Overview**

The Senior Resource Center offers a variety of activities and special events that fall within four categories: social, educational, health and wellness, and the arts. We strive to offer activities which are designed (or can be modified) to meet the needs of participants at all mobility levels.

These programs include regularly scheduled classes, drop-in activities that are always available, monthly special events, virtual programming, and a fully equipped fitness studio.



We aim to provide these activities at no cost to the participants, but some classes require a fee for supplies or instruction. If you are unable or unwilling to pay, fill out our Scholarship Application found at the front desk. Limited funds are available, and a set amount is provided to scholarship awardees each year.



## Nutrition

Our Nutrition Program promotes independence, health & well-being by encouraging healthy eating habits and preventing adverse health effects from poor nutrition.

#### **Nutrition Staff**

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**Liz Markie** (she/her) Nutrition Program Assistant





Adults, ages 60+, qualify for our Congregate Nutrition Program. In-person congregate dining provides balanced lunches which are prepared by an on-site caterer. Congregate meals are served Monday through Friday at our three locations (see pg. 2). You do not need to call in advance to participate, but there is a Lunch Registration Form to fill out on your first visit.

Additional services offered by the Nutrition team include: Home Delivered Meals (HDM) for qualified homebound individuals, nutrition counseling and education, cooking demonstrations, congregate programming and activities, and drive-up options. Call our Social Worker On-Call at (910) 798-6437 to speak with someone about HDM qualifications.

Monthly menu and programming schedules are available in our monthly newsletter, and dining times vary by location. For details on Nutrition Services, contact the Senior Resource Center at (910) 798-6400.



## **AmeriCorps Seniors - Volunteer**

AmeriCorps Seniors connects individuals and organizations through service and volunteering to tackle the nation's most pressing challenges.

#### **AmeriCorps Seniors Volunteer Staff**





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#### **Volunteer Opportunities for Older Adults (55+)**

#### What is RSVP?

RSVP, which stands for the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program, is a national grant funded program through AmeriCorps Seniors and is sponsored locally by the New Hanover County Senior Resource Center. The program strives to provide meaningful volunteer opportunities for adults 55+ while meeting local needs and responding to priorities of national significance.

When you apply we conduct one-on-one interviews to match you with volunteer opportunities that suit your skills, interests, and schedule. Volunteers can give their time to one partnering location, or many. The choice is yours! Contact Becky Doherty for more information.

https://src.nhcgov.com/484 /Retired-Senior-Volunteer-Program-RSVP-Ap

https://src.nhcgov.com/Doc umentCenter/View/1132/RS VP-Volunteer-Opportunities-PDF



#### What does a Foster Grandparent do?

The Foster Grandparent Program is a national grant funded program through AmeriCorps Seniors and is sponsored locally by the New Hanover County Senior Resource Center. Foster Grandparents (55+) are role models, mentors, tutors, and friends to children with exceptional needs by serving 15-20 hours per week at local schools.

All you need to join is the ability to give the kind of comfort and love that sets a child on the path toward a successful future. Contact Vicki Wells for more information.

Volunteers receive the following benefits:

- Tax-free stipends (to those who qualify)
- Limited transportation reimbursement
- Supplemental, accident and liability insurance while you're volunteering
- On-going training

https://src.nhcgov.com/504/Foster-Grandparents-Program-Application



## Life Enrichment Program (LEP)

The Life Enrichment team's mission is to provide responsive services to older adults and their families to promote holistic well-being while encouraging independence and improving quality of life.

#### **Life Enrichment Staff**

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#### **Five Areas of Focus for Provided Services**



**Information, Assistance, and Options Counseling Services**Gateway to assistance, counseling, and/or support



**Home-Based Services**Bringing resources to the door



**Protection & Advocacy**Ensuring the right to safety and dignity



Family Caregiver Support
Providing support and advocacy



**Community Enrichment** Enhancing quality of life





## Support Groups

Please contact the leader of the support group you are interested in joining. They will help you register and let you know all of the pertinent group member information.

#### **Grief Support Group with Christine Enderlin**

Where: 2222 S. College Rd (Senior Resource Center Location)

When: Every Friday, 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM

**Focus:** Grief support group for those struggling with the death of a loved one. For more information contact Christine at cenderlin@nhcgov.com.

#### General Caregiver Support Group with Julia Griffin

**Where:** 2222 S. College Rd. (Senior Resource Center Location) **When:** Every fourth (4th) Monday of the month; 1:30pm to 3pm

Focus: A safe, non-judgmental space to vent frustrations, anger, and

disappointments, as well as share success stories. Connect with others in the

community who have handled similar situations.

#### 70+ Mind, Body and Spirit Support Group with Andrew Zeldin

Where: 2222 S. College Rd. (Ohana Café at Senior Resource Center)

When: Every second (2nd) Wednesday of the month; 11:00am

**Focus:** Peer-to-peer group focused on the challenges of aging involving the mind, body, and spirit! This group celebrates the joy and wisdom that comes

with becoming older adults!

#### Friends Connection Support Group with Luisa Martin

Where: 2222 S. College Rd. (Senior Resource Center Location)

When: Every first (1st) and third (3rd) Tuesday of the month; 1pm - 2pm

Virtual: Every second (2nd) and fourth (4th) Tuesday; 1pm - 2pm

**Focus:** For seniors ages 55+ to make new friends & share life experiences.

#### Forget-Me-Knot with Andrew Zeldin and Kandace Gray

**Where:** 4700 Wrightsville Ave (Winter Park Baptist Church) **When:** Every third (3rd) Wednesday of the month; 10:00am

**Focus:** For persons with memory impairment & their caregivers. Registration

is required. Contact Andrew (910) 798-6445 or Kandace (910) 274-0343

## Social Worker On-Call

Call (910) 798-6437 to learn more!

## **Older Adult Resource Guide**



The Older Adult Resource Guide is available on our website and was developed to help residents and providers find and access available resources based on the specific needs of older adults. This directory is maintained by New Hanover County and all edits or additions are vetted through the Senior Resource Center.

https://www.nhcgov.com/2717/Older-Adult-Resource-Guide



## Learn More

More about our Assistance Programs here at the Senior Resource Center.

#### **Medicare/S.H.I.I.P Counseling**

The Senior Resource Center provides education and guidance on Medicare prescription drug plans. The Seniors' Health Insurance Information Program (SHIIP) is a division of the North Carolina Department of Insurance (DOI) which strives to assist Medicare beneficiaries in making well-informed health insurance choices. The NHC Senior Resource Center SHIIP Specialist, Mariana Sta offers free, unbiased health information on topics including: Medicare Supplement Plans, Medicare Advantage Options, Medicare Prescription Drug Plans, Medicare Summary Notices, Medigap, and Medicare Patrol - prevention of billing errors, waste, or fraud and abuse. Call (910) 798-6442.

#### **Mental Health Services**

Our team of licensed clinical therapists provides comprehensive mental health services, including individual, family, and group therapy sessions. We take a collaborative approach to support resilience, build on strengths, and promote overall well-being.

#### Areas of Support:

We help individuals and families navigate a variety of challenges, including:

- ✓ Depression
  ✓ Grief & Loss
- ✓ Anxiety
  ✓ Anger Management
- ✓ Conflict Resolution ✓ Co-Occurring Disorders
- ✓ Trauma & PTSD
- ✓ Family & Relationship Issues

Insurance accepted, and sliding scale fees are available. For more information or to schedule an appointment, call (910)798-6404.

#### **Older Adult Dental Program**

NHC Health and Human Services and the Senior Resource Center have partnered with Access Dental Care, Inc. to provide comprehensive dental services for older adults without dental insurance.

This program is for low-income older adults, 55+, and will be offered at various locations, including the SRC! Typical services may include; dental exams, X-rays, cleanings, fillings, extractions, dentures, and partials.

To learn more about eligibility and to discuss program information, contact Debbie Lovett at (910) 798-3774.

#### **Prescription Assistance**

We recognize just how expensive prescribed medication can be. Our prescription specialist, Pamela Wall, will work with you to evaluate your medication needs and help you get your medicines at the lowest possible cost.

For more information, please call (910) 798-6422.





## **Transportation**

Need help finding transportation? Our transportation program serves older adults 60+ with non-emergency medical visits as well as to and from the center!

#### **Transportation**

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#### To contact our Transportation Program, please call (910) 798-6401



WAVE Transit Route 107 stops at the Senior Resource Center. To see the schedule visit: <a href="https://www.wavetransit.com/fixed-route-bus/">https://www.wavetransit.com/fixed-route-bus/</a>

For individuals with disabilities that prevent them from riding the bus, WAVE Transit offers the Dial-A-Ride Transportation (DART) Program with ADA accessible van service. To qualify, individuals must live within ¾ mile of a fixed bus route and have medical justification from a licensed healthcare professional. Contact WAVE Transit at (910) 202-2053 for an application or additional information.

The Senior Resource Center offers nonemergency medical transportation for New Hanover County seniors aged 60 or older, who are not receiving Medicaid. We also coordinate transportation to and from the Senior Resource Center and periodic shopping trips for interested congregate dining seniors. All transportation for new applications are on a waitlist currently. Call (910) 798-6401 for assistance.

Individuals registered for the program must submit their request for transportation at least 7 days in advance.



https://www.wavetransit.com/dial-ridetransportation/



# SRC Photos

A place for seniors to thrive, belong, and get the help and resources they need.













## Input & Feedback

This Center and its Nutrition Satellite locations are made FOR YOU, that's why we want to make sure that you are satisfied with our services. Share your thoughts!



This survey should take less than 10 minutes.

## How to use a QR Code

- 1. Open your camera app on any Smart Phone
- 2. Point the camera at the QR Code above
- 3. A pop-up should appear on the screen this is the link! Click on it to open the link in your preferred browser.

OR visit <a href="https://forms.office.com/g/zr2n6dgRYj">https://forms.office.com/g/zr2n6dgRYj</a>



# About Our Senior Center



#### **Senior Resource Center Mission Statement**

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#### **New Hanover County Department**

Our Senior Resource Center is a department of the New Hanover County Government. New Hanover County is committed to providing equitable opportunities and exceptional public services through good governance to ensure a safe, healthy, secure, and thriving community for all. Our shared values are: professionalism, equity, integrity, innovation, stewardship, and accountability.



#### **Senior Center of Excellence**

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#### **SAGEcare Credential**

New Hanover County Senior Resource Center is a 2024 SAGECare Credentialed provider. This credential from SAGE (Services and Advocacy for GLBT Elders), ensures that all of our staff are aware of and sensitive to the unique needs and concerns of LGBTQ+ older adults.



#### **Committed to Serving YOU**

Share your feedback so we can continue to meet your needs effectively and efficiently. To fill out our survey ( > 10 minutes):

- 1. Open your camera app on any Smart Phone
- 2. Point the camera at the QR Code to the left
- 3. A pop-up should appear on your screen this is the link!
- 4. Click the pop-up to open the survey in your web browser

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# About Our Senior Center

#### **Services Provided On-Site**

- Recreation and Activities
- Fitness and Wellness Programs
- Evidence Based Health Programs
- Virtual Programming
- Technology Help & Classes
- Family and Caregiver Support
- Mental Health Counseling
- Support Groups
- Telephone Companion Program
- Report Elder Abuse/Neglect
- Prescription Assistance
- Medicaid Assistance
- Medicare Parts A, B, C, & D Counseling
- Older Adult Dental Program
- Incontinent Supply Distribution
- Congregate Meals
- Home Delivered Meals
- Food Distribution
- Nutrition Counseling
- Transportation
- Income Tax Assistance
- Notary Services
- AmeriCorps Seniors Volunteer Programs and Other Volunteer Opportunities

## Call to learn more!

(910) 798-6400

#### **Information and Assistance**

- Legal Services
- Home Health Services
- Mental Health
- Social Security Benefits
- Adult Day Care/Day Health
- Long-Term Care Facility Resources
- Resources on Rehab services
- Resources on Home Repair/Modifications
- Housing Assistance
- Medicaid Benefits
- Hospice Care
- Respite
- Disaster Preparedness and Planning
- Energy Assistance Program

#### **Contribution and Gifting**

Monetary contributions are accepted and appreciated to expand older adult services.

Please contact the SRC Director, Amber Smith, at (910) 798-6410 for information on gifting.

#### **Financial Report Information**

A hard copy of our Financial Report is available upon request or can be found online at:

https://finance.nhcgov.com

# WE HOPE TO SEE YOU SOON!



Call to learn more or get your questions answered!

(910) 798-6400

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