



Education & Health Centers of America, Inc.

Education & Health Centers of America, Inc. (EHCA) has served as a leading provider in reentry services for over 30 years. EHCA also offers an array of veteran services in the community. EHCA's mission is to provide a healthy, drug free, safe, and secure environment within which we provide evidence-based treatment and education services that focus on changing addictive and criminal behaviors. We provide our participants with the knowledge and skills necessary to lead a productive lifestyle prior to reintegration into their communities.

Celebrating Black History Month at The Harbor

Throughout the month of February, Residents at The Harbor came together to honor Black History Month through engaging discussions, artwork, educational programming, and cultural celebrations. Black History Month at The Harbor is a time for reflection, appreciation, and empowerment as we recognize the invaluable contributions of Black individuals throughout history. The walls of The Harbor were lined with the biographies and images of historical and influential Black individuals, in addition to resident art.

Recognizing Meritorious Behavior



179 merits were issued to Residents at The Harbor in the month of February! Merits included recognition for prosocial behaviors, prosocial attitudes, positive peer interactions, and educational activities!

The Return of Family-Oriented Furlough Program at Tully

Numerous applications for the family-oriented furlough program were submitted to Tully House Administration for processing throughout the month. The return of the family-oriented furlough program reflects a commitment to promoting successful reintegration, reducing recidivism rates, and fostering stronger family ties within the criminal justice system.

Employment & Education Statistics

50 Residents Employed Full-Time

28 Residents Actively Job Searching

4 Residents Enrolled in Full-Time Post-Secondary Education

8 Residents Enrolled in Adult Basic Education

100% RV-TAPP Resident Participation Rate



Super Bowl Celebrations at Tully and Harbor



The Harbor and Tully House Residential Community Reintegration Programs geared up for an exciting Super Bowl celebration on Sunday, February 11th! Residents were provided with opportunities to come together within their respective programs, to enjoy the game, delicious food, and camaraderie—fostering a sense of community and unity in celebration of the Super Bowl. This prosocial leisure event provides an opportunity for relaxation and enjoyment for our resident populations, promoting prosocial connection and positive interaction among our residents as they celebrate a quintessential American tradition. A big thank you to our vendors in the community who contributed to The Harbor's and Tully House's Super Bowl celebrations!

Community Advisory Board Meetings

Tully House and The Harbor Community Advisory Board Meetings were held in the month of February. These meetings provide opportunities for our programs to connect, network, and learn more about the services offered by our community partners and stakeholders. Through Community Advisory Board Meetings, we seek to continue to strengthen collaboration in the community for the benefit of our resident populations.

In total, **15** community partners and **10** key program staff members were invited to attend the Community Advisory Board Meetings.

Discussion topics included: Introductions, Available Services, Organizational Histories, Wraparound Services, Life Skills Training, Work Release, and Educational Opportunities.



- 89 Assessment Reports Completed
- 95 Residents Classified by the NJDOC Classification Committee
- 90 Substance Use Disorder Screenings Conducted
- 201 Assessment Testing Instruments Administered to Residents



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Alumni Services Summary

In the month of February, 148 Harbor Residents participated in The Harbor's Alumni Meeting. The Alumni Meeting consisted of 13 NJDOC approved Alumni speakers. 103 Residents participated in the Tully House January Alumni Meeting. The meeting consisted of 8 NJDOC approved Alumni speakers, in addition to the Alumni Coordinator, Arthur Townes. The February Alumni Meeting topics focused on Support and Motivation.

Family Services Statistics

- 19 Residents Participated in Specialized Weekly Family Services Counseling
- 22 Residents Participated in Inside Out Dads (IOD) Group Programming
- 13 Family Night Event Participants
- 2 Residents Participated in Specialized Family Services Couples Therapy

Upcoming Events



Celebrating Ramadan



Family Night Event Every Tuesday at Tully House



Alumni Meetings Scheduled

EHCA Editorial Column

An excerpt from our President & Chief Executive Officer, Richard McCourt,

"Reflecting on the month of February, we are reminded of the profound significance of Black History Month within our community. This month serves as a poignant reminder of the enduring legacy of resilience, creativity, and leadership within the Black community throughout history. In our pursuit of justice and reintegration, we acknowledge the disproportionate challenges faced by Black Americans within the criminal justice system. Education & Health Centers of America, Inc. is committed to addressing these disparities head-on, fostering a culture of equity, inclusion, and opportunity for all. We honor the strength, spirit, and contributions of the Black community, and continue to strive for a fairer, more equitable future for those under our care. We foster an inclusive environment where every voice is heard and valued."

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