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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.

Rewarding the Resident Population at The Harbor

During the month of April, Harbor residents were rewarded with several special treats and supplemental meals. The entire resident population received smoothies, with a choice of three different flavors, from Triple Double Juice Company on two occasions throughout the month, and also received individually packaged McDonald's meals on two additional occasions in April.

The Harbor strives to support the local community and local franchises in providing the resident population with supplemental meals and order-out rewards.

InsideOut Dad® Graduation at The Harbor







The Harbor celebrated an InsideOut Dad® graduation on April 4, 2024! 7 residents were recognized for graduating from InsideOut Dad® programming. The residents received completion certificates and the residents' families were invited to attend the graduation event. Refreshments were enjoyed by all attendees.

Tully House Employment & Education Statistics

- 51 Residents Employed Full-Time
- 12 Residents Actively Job Searching



- 10 Residents Enrolled in Post-Secondary Education
- **6** Residents Enrolled in Adult Basic Education

100% RV-TAPP Resident Participation Rate

Essex County College Collaboration

Tully House is proud to collaborate with the Essex County College - Community, Continuing Education & Workforce **Development Training Department, to provide Tully House** Phase 3 residents with the opportunity to attend a 9-week Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) training and certificate program. The 9-week OSHA industry certification courses offer significant benefits for both Tully House residents and the local community, including local businesses. This partnership provides structured and comprehensive education in workplace safety, ensuring participants are well-versed in OSHA regulations and best practices. By completing the program, Tully House Phase 3 residents have the opportunity to earn a recognized credential that enhances their employability and readiness to address safety concerns in various industries upon community reintegration.

For local businesses, this collaboration creates a pipeline of qualified candidates equipped with essential safety knowledge, potentially reducing workplace accidents and compliance issues. Furthermore, businesses that support OSHA initiatives demonstrate a commitment to safety and community development, fostering goodwill and potentially benefiting from improved workforce quality and reduced training costs. This synergy between community reintegration, education, and industry helps build a safer, more prepared workforce, ultimately contributing to the community's long-term economic and social well-being.

Approximately 11 Tully House residents applied for the 9week OSHA certification program. 9 Tully House residents were accepted based upon prerequisite testing scores.

Assessment Department Accolades

- 136 Assessment Reports Completed
- 127 Residents Classified by the NJDOC Classification Committee
- **124** Substance Use Disorder Screenings Conducted
- **206** Assessment Testing Instruments Administered to Residents

EHCA Sponsors NJACA Spring Forum at Mercer County College

EHCA partnered with Indivior, Volunteers of America (Delaware Valley), CFG Health Systems LLC., and the New Jersey County Jail Wardens Association to sponsor the annual Spring Forum organized by the New Jersey Chapter of the American Correctional Association (NJACA). The annual NJACA Spring Forum was held on April 18, 2024, at Mercer County College. The conference focused on addressing Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT), Medications for Opioid Use Disorder (MOUD), and Mental Health (MH) in correctional, reentry, and community supervision settings. In addition to sponsoring the event, EHCA also sponsored 10 Rider University, Department of Sociology and Criminology, student tickets to foster their professional growth and networking.

Family Services Statistics

- 23 Residents Participated in Family Services Counseling
- 30 Residents Participated in InsideOut Dads® (IOD) Groups
- 15 Family Night Event Participants

Upcoming Events



Family Night Event Every Tuesday at Tully House



Alumni Meetings Scheduled

Want to Stay Up to Date on EHCA?

Check out the latest news and events on our website and social media using the QR Codes below!

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Editorial Column

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

"Each year, Education & Health Centers of America, Inc. (EHCA) strives to build brighter futures for returning citizens through our commitment to residential reentry and community reintegration. As we continue to enhance and expand our programs, we remain true to our mission, providing safe, secure, and supportive environments, where residents can begin rebuilding their lives and prepare for community reintegration. Our holistic approach ensures that every individual receives personalized care tailored to their specific needs. We recognize that reintegration is not a one-size-fits-all process, and we are committed to providing the resources necessary for each person to succeed.

Reentry is not just about the individual; it's also about rebuilding the fabric of our communities. Family Services, InsideOutDad® programming, Alumni Services, Education, Assessment, Individual Counseling, Continuum of Care Discharge Planning, and Community-based Work-release components serve as cornerstones of our programs.

We look forward to continuing this journey together, transforming lives and fostering a community where everyone has the opportunity to thrive."









