



Education & Health Centers of America, Inc.

Education & Health Centers of America, Inc. (EHCA) has served as a leading provider of reentry services for over 30 years. EHCA also offers an array of veteran services in the community. Education & Health Centers of America's mission is to provide services to at-risk and underserved populations, including, but not limited to, individuals reentering the community from the criminal justice system, veterans in need, and those dealing with substance use issues. We provide our participants with the knowledge and skills necessary to lead a productive lifestyle prior to reintegration into their communities.

Smiles all around at this years annual Mingle and Munch!

Tully House Director, Michael Oliver hosted the annual *Mingle and Munch* alongside Harbor Director Vincent Wojciechowicz. The event featured music, dancing, food, and engaging activities, creating a fun and lively atmosphere for everyone to enjoy. Both Mr. Oliver and Mr. Vince took the opportunity to thank all staff for their continued hard work and dedication throughout the year. Staff members look forward to these events each year as a wonderful time to relax, connect, and celebrate their teamwork and accomplishments



NJLEAD Awarded EHCA \$175,000 for second year



Education & Health Centers of America is proud to continue its collaboration with the New Jersey Department of Corrections through the NJLEAD Emergency Rapid Rehousing Assistance Grant Program. We are dedicated to supporting incarcerated individuals as they transition back into the community. Our services include providing temporary housing, transportation, and essential needs, as well as helping them connect with other community partners for additional support and guidance. We are now extending our assistance to the entire state of New Jersey.

Tully House Fun Facts

- ❖ Most of the residents who leave here with jobs are still currently working for the same employer.
- ❖ Tully house residents continue to strive to do their best at their workplaces.
- ❖ Many times, employers have expressed their appreciation of the residents and how hard they work.

Tully House Employment & Education Statistics- July- September

- 79 Residents Employed Full-Time
- 9 Residents actively job searching
- 6 Residents Enrolled in Post-Secondary Education
- 100% RV-TAPP Resident participation rate



NJLEAD & Tully House Success Stories

NJLEAD- The NJLEAD ERRA Program continues to support successful reentry through strong statewide partnerships. Staff worked closely with Tully House and Parole District Office #3 to create a solid pre-release plan for a participant. After release, the team ensured safe transportation, temporary housing, and weekend support. Ongoing assistance has helped the participant adjust well, access social security benefits, and actively pursue part-time employment in Trenton.

Tully House- A participant has shown remarkable growth and commitment during their time in the program, maintaining employment and completing programs in Parenting Skills, Anger Management, and Men's Group. This second stay at Tully House has brought noticeable reflection, a positive shift in attitude, and careful preparation for reentry, including saving money and opening a bank account. Join us in celebrating this achievement and wishing continued success on their path to independence.

The Harbor Assessment Department Accolades for July - September

225 assessment reports completed

190 residents classified by the NJDOC Classification Committee

156 substance use disorder screenings conducted

280 Assessment testing instruments administered to residents (including togra)

Activities @ The Harbor

- July 17, 2025: Inside Out Dads Graduation - 15 residents will graduate, followed by a reception and meal for their families.
- July 18, 2025: "Munch and Mingle" - Staff Team Building event.
- August 5, 2025: Boxed chicken meal for all residents, provided by Urban Chicken, a community partner from Montclair, NJ.
- August 14, 2025: Inside Out Dads Graduation - 23 residents will graduate, followed by a reception and meal for their families.
- August 15, 2025: Recreation Tournament - Winners of Cornhole, Chess, and Scrabble will receive meals as prizes.
- September 19, 2025: Recreation Tournament - Basketball winners will receive meals as prizes.
- September 19, 2025: Boxed chicken wing meal for all residents, provided by Urban Chicken, a community partner from Montclair, NJ.
- September 26, 2025: Boxed meals from McDonald's, provided by a community partner franchise.

EHCA was awarded \$900,000 from DMAVA



EHCA is proud to announce that it has been awarded a total of \$900,000 from the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs (DMAVA). This funding will support EHCA's ongoing mission to provide essential services and opportunities for Veterans and Incarcerated Veterans. Through continued collaboration with DMAVA, EHCA remains committed to empowering Veterans, promoting successful reintegration, and honoring their

Upcoming Events



Alumni Meeting is held every month

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Editorial Column

An excerpt from our President & Chief Executive Officer, Steven Johnson,

As the fall season unfolds, I'm reminded that we are all experiencing some form of transition. The temperature is dropping outside, and the leaves are changing colors. While these changes occur naturally, important transformations are also taking place in many lives.

I find myself reflecting on the world of re-entry and feel compelled to acknowledge the compassionate individuals who dedicate their lives to helping those seeking to make positive changes.

These individuals are not asking for the world; they are simply hoping for a fresh start, a second chance, and renewed hope. In this context, the Education and Health Centers of America (EHCA) is making a significant impact on the lives of people in transition.

EHCA's mission is to support veterans and incarcerated individuals as they prepare to re-enter our communities every day. Our partnership with NJLEAD (New Jersey Locally Empowered, Accountable, and Determined) through the Emergency Rapid Re-Housing Assistance (ERRA) program serves as a beacon of hope in our fight against recidivism. NJLEAD aims to create a continuum of care that bridges the gap from prison to the community.

Additionally, our collaboration with the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs (DMAVA) enables EHCA to provide essential support services to veterans with unmet needs. Beyond direct support, EHCA caseworkers help connect veterans with community resources.

Moving forward, the future is brighter because of EHCA's mission, which remains focused on connecting veterans and returning citizens with the necessary resources to successfully reintegrate into the community.

Warm regards,
Steven Johnson
President/CEO
Education & Health Centers of America