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Due to the increased risk of COVID-19, Senior Services of Effingham County office and activity center are closed to the public until further notice. If you need assistance, please call 217-347-5569 or toll free 1-800-283-4070.

## Reduce your risk of getting COVID-19.

It is especially important for people at increased risk of severe illness from COVID-19, and those who live with them, to protect themselves from getting COVID-19.

The best way to protect yourself and to help reduce the spread of the virus that causes COVID-19 is to:

•Limit your interactions with other people as much as possible.

•Take precautions to prevent getting COVID-19 when you do interact with others.

If you start feeling sick and think you may have COVID-19, get in touch with your healthcare provider within 24 hours.

### Venturing out into a public setting? What to consider before you go.

As communities and businesses across the United States are opening, you may be thinking about resuming some activities, running errands and attending events and gatherings. **There is no way to ensure you have zero risk of infection,** so it is important to understand the risks and know how to be as safe as possible.

People at increased risk of severe illness from COVID-19, and those who live with them, should consider their level of risk before deciding to go out and ensure they are taking steps to protect themselves. Consider avoiding activities where taking protective measures may be difficult, such as activities where social distancing can't be maintained. **Everyone should take steps to prevent getting and spreading COVID-19** to protect themselves, their communities, and people who are at increased risk of severe illness.

In general, the more people you interact with, the more closely you interact with them, and the longer that interaction, the higher your risk of getting and spreading COVID-19.

- If you decide to engage in public activities, continue to protect yourself by practicing everyday preventative actions.
- Keep these items on hand and use them when venturing out: a cloth face covering, tissues, and a hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol, if possible.

• If possible, avoid others who are not wearing cloth face coverings or ask

others around you to wear cloth face coverings.



As a precaution to the Coronavirus, Dine With A Doc programs in Effingham and all surrounding areas will be cancelled thru the remainder of the 2020 calendar year in the best interest of protecting our seniors. Thank you for understanding. Please feel free to pass this information along.

Senior Services of Effingham County is a division of Effingham City/County Committee on Aging (ECCOA) and is open to the public, and many activities and trips are designed for people of all ages.

Operating hours are Monday through Friday – 8:00 am to 4:00 pm Closed for lunch daily from 11:30 am to 12:00 pm Phone: 217-347-5569 or toll free 1-800-283-4070 after hours and on weekends www.seniorservices-eccoa.org



**Community Partner** 

## **Community Care Program**

#### ".... Helping older people live independently"

Did you know that ECCOA Senior Services is contracted with the Illinois Dept on Aging to provide the Community

Care Program for 9 counties within the State of Illinois? The counties we serve are: Effingham, Clay, Fayette, Jefferson, Marion, Jasper, Crawford, Richland, and Lawrence. All of our offices are your direct linkage to all the information you need regarding community based services that can give you many added benefits that enhance your quality of life. As you prepare to retire or if you become disabled, the staff members in our offices will assist you with the services that will allow you to remain in your own home, and keep you out of a nursing home, as long as nursing home placement is not necessary for you. We will send out staff to your home at no cost to discuss your needs and goals, and to help you choose what services might be right for you. Services include In-Home Service, Adult Day Services, Emergency Home Response Service, Home Delivered Meals, Respite Care for the Caregiver, and in some areas of the state, Senior Companion. If you qualify for services, the staff member will work with you to determine your needs, set up services that are appropriate for you and keep in touch with you to make sure the services continue to meet your needs. For additional information or to make a referral for someone you feel could benefit from the program call 217-347-5569. Call Today.... We can assess your needs and keep you at home.

## **Emergency Home Response Service: (EHRS)**

EHRS is a Community Care Program core service provided to improve the independence and safety of clients in their own homes and help reduce the need for nursing home care.

Emergency Home Response Service (EHRS) is a 24-hour emergency communication link to assistance outside the home for older adults with documented health and safety needs and mobility limitations. This service is provided by a two-way voice communication system consisting of a base unit and an activation device worn by the participant that will automatically link the older adult to a professionally trained staffed support center. For more information on Emergency Home Response Services in your community, contact Senior Services at 217-347-5569.

EHRS offers 24-hours-a-day help at the touch of a button, installation at no cost to the client, free adaptive activation devices, and a list of first responders chosen by the client. To receive this service, an older adult must qualify for the Community Care Program. This service is now available for cell phones too.

## Long Term Care Ombudsman Resident.....Advocate

The Illinois Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program strives to protect and promote the



rights and quality of life for those who reside in long-term care facilities. If you have a concern, complaint or question regarding long-term care please call our Regional Long Term Care Ombudsman, Terri Simpson at 217-347-5569 today! All calls are confidential.

## Having Trouble Finding a Ride?





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#### August 2020 MENU

#### Suggested Donation: Congregate \$3.00 or Home Delivered \$3.25

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
3 BBQ Chicken			6 Chef Salad	
	4 Hamburger on Bun	5 Turkey & Dressing Mashed Potatoes		7 Sloppy Joes on Bun
Parsley Potatoes			Turkey, Ham, Eggs,	
Green Beans	Lettuce, Tomato,	Mixed Vegetables	Lettuce, Tomato,	Au Gratin Potatoes
Whole Grain Bread	Onion, Pickles	Strawberries	Cucumber, Carrots,	Calico Baked Beans
Banana	Potato Salad	Whole Grain Roll	Shredded Cheese	Cantaloupe
	Kidney Bean Salad		Mandarin Orange	
	Watermelon		Cake	
			Club Crackers	
10 Chicken Salad on	11 Ham	12 Stuffed Green	13 Pork Burger	14 Beef Tips
Croissant	Hash Brown	Peppers	On Whole Grain Bun	w/mushrooms Gravy
Tomato Medley	Casserole	Glazed Carrots	4 Bean Salad	over noodles
Waldorf Salad	Succotash	Green Beans	Cold Stewed	Brussels Sprouts
Strawberries &	5 Cup Salad Whole	Banana Pudding	Tomatoes	Corn
Banana	Grain Roll	w/sliced Bananas	Melon Medley	Apricots
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17 Grilled Chicken	18 Pork Chops	19 Mostaccioli	20	21 Fish on Bun
Caesar Salad	Roasted Red	w/meat sauce		Cauliflower w/cheese
Mandarin Oranges	Potatoes	Carrots & Peas		Seasoned Lima Beans
Fresh Banana	Butter Beans	Tossed Salad	Cooks Choice	Cantaloupe
Garlic Parmesan	Peaches	w/tomatoes		
Bread Stick	Whole Grain Roll	Baked Apples		
Graham Crackers		Garlic Bread		
24 Salisbury Steak	25 Sub Sandwich	26 Fried Chicken	27 Swedish	28 BBQ Pulled Pork
Whipped Potatoes	On Hoagie Bun	Potato Salad	Meatballs	On Whole Grain Bun
Peas	Lettuce & Tomato	Green Beans	Mashed Potatoes	Au Gratin Potatoes
Mandarin Oranges	Broccoli &	Hot Apple Crisp	Succotash	4 Bean Salad
Oatmeal Cookies	Cauliflower Salad	Biscuit	Apricots	Baked Apples
	Cantaloupe		Whole Grain Roll	
31 Sweet N Sour				
Chicken w/pineapple				
Over Rice				FINAL
Steamed Broccoli				
Jello w/fruit cocktail				
Milk, Bread and Margarine are served with every meal! Substitutes will only be made in emergencies! CALL THE DAY BEFORE TO RESERVE A MEAL				
Effingham 217/347-2851; Dieterich 217/925-5461; Altamont 618/483-6912; Beecher City 618/487-5401				
Flora 618/662-6741				
Vandalia 618/283-1040 Ramsey 618/237-0251				
Pana 217/562-5611 Taylorville 217/287-7268 Kincaid 217/237-4328				