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SUMMER 2016

THE NEW HAVEN MOMS PARTNERSHIP NEWSLETTER

Summer Fun with MOMS Partnership
FREE FAMILY EVENTS FOR PARTICIPANTS & KIDS

YALE FARM
JULY 22, 2-4PM

YALE CENTER
FOR BRITISH ART
JULY 29, 2-4PM

FREE FAMILY FUN KIDS OF ALL AGES WELCOME

Yale Farm
July 22, 2-4pm
345 Edwards Street, New Haven
Have fun in the sun, tour the farm, and get your hands dirty! Pizza will be served! -- Take the J Bus to the Whitney/Edwards stop then walk 5 minutes; or walk 15 minutes from downtown; or hop on any Yale Shuttle going up to Science Park (free).

Yale Center for British Art
July 29, 2-4pm
1080 Chapel Street, New Haven
Take a virtual vacation to Great Britain and explore the masterpieces inside the Yale Center of British Art. Begin with an adventure in the art gallery and complete an arts & crafts to take home! Snacks will be provided!

Call 203-764-7374 by July 18 to make a reservation.
Space is limited. Reservation is required.

SUMMER SUNGLASSES SWIM

SCYOHNHIZU
UVNLGCCXBR
NLVSANOSVB
GBXETPWASO
LZBMSICYEP
ANUSMAPLXF
SHYITNZIAJ
SXSIReMMUS
EQAACEKAFC
SNOULCLFVO
WATERPYAKO
IKPFOWSCXL
BBQ SPLASH VACATION
BEACH COOL WATER
FAMILY RELAX SUN
SUMMER ‘16 FAMILY FUN IN NEW HAVEN

FAIR HAVEN HEALTH CENTER HEALTH FAIR
SATURDAY, JULY 16TH 10AM-2PM
(RAIN DATE SUN 7/17)
JOHN MARTINEZ SCHOOL - 100 JAMES ST

ELM CITY COMMUNITIES BELIEVES: YOUTH INITIATIVE!
BACK TO SCHOOL FAIR
TUESDAY, AUGUST 2ND 3PM-6PM
CLINTON AVE. SCHOOL - 293 CLINTON AVE

6TH ANNUAL FAMILY FUN AND FITNESS DAY– NEW HAVEN
HEALTHY START AND COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY
FRIDAY, AUGUST 26TH 2016 12PM-4PM
(RAIN DATE FRI 9/9)
NEW HAVEN GREEN - 165 CHurch ST

*VISIT MOMS PARTERSHIP TABLE AT THESE EVENTS TO GET INFO ABOUT OUR PROGRAMS

ARE YOU CURRENTLY PREGNANT AND SMOKING CIGARETTES?
You may be eligible to participate in the MOMBA LIVELONG research study
*Eligible participants may receive an iPhone 5S*
To learn more and to see if you are eligible call
Kimberly Streeter
203-764-7630
MEET THE STAFF OF THE NEW HAVEN MOMS PARTNERSHIP

HUB Site Coordinator – Boys and Girls Club

Gweniver S. Bell comes to the MOM’S Partnership from the Maternal and Child Health Division of the New Haven Health Department. Gwen is a dedicated Human Services professional with over 14 years of experience providing client centered, non-judgmental case management, client support and advocacy for vulnerable, high risk, diverse families. Gwen has held the position of Outreach Worker with the CT Healthy Start program and has worked as a Home Visitor for the Nurturing Families Network at both the Health Department and the Cornel Scott - Hill Health Center. She has extensive experience providing support for young parents and has worked as a HUSKY Liaison, assisting clients with obtaining health insurance. Gwen is also a Certified Application Counselor for ACCESS Health CT. Gwen holds a Family Development Credential, is trained and certified in Parents as Teachers, Ages and Stages, Touchpoints, Shaken Baby Syndrome and NFN Network in Action. Gwen is a proud mother and grandmother and is excited to join the MOMS partners as a HUB site coordinator. Gwen’s family is her inspiration and motivation to give back to the community. She thinks of them as her ‘heroes’. When she isn’t hard at work she enjoys being able to paint, draw and read.

FEEDBACK FROM MOMS PARTNERSHIP MOTHERS CONTRIBUTES TO CREATION OF NEW DIAPER PROGRAM SUPPORTED BY THE WHITE HOUSE

Yale research leads to diaper cost reduction program
By Bill Hathaway

Needy families will pay less for diapers under a pilot program announced by the White House March 10 and inspired by research conducted through a partnership between Yale, local mothers, the City of New Haven, and community groups.

The program will help address the budget-busting cost of diapers faced by low-income mothers, who may lack the financial resources, transportation, or Internet access to make less expensive bulk diaper purchases. Instead, many families pay up to 50 cents per diaper at neighborhood stores. A lack of diapers is one of the leading causes of stresses for young mothers, said Dr. Megan Smith, assistant professor of psychiatry at Yale who has conducted research on the issue.

“This initiative demonstrates the direct and efficient translation of research to policy, and highlights the potential for social innovation that we can harness when we foster collaboration between, scientists, policy makers, and the private sector to address social problems impacting the health of families living in poverty.”

Smith is director of the New Haven Mental Health Outreach for Mothers, or MOMS Partnership — which includes academics, city officials, and community groups who seek to meet the mental health needs of low-income mothers. Working with the Diaper Bank and National Diaper Bank Network, non-profit groups like MOMS will help distribute diapers directly to low-income families.

The White House and senior economic advisors took an interest in Smith’s research and worked with partners at the National Diaper Bank Network and private sector companies to develop an innovative pilot to address diaper need nationally.

Source— Yale News
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Guide Team Member Organizations
- Clifford Beers Clinic
- State of Connecticut Department of Children and Families
- City of New Haven
- Elm City Communities Housing Authority of New Haven
- National Diaper Bank Network
- Maternal and Child Health
- New Haven Healthy Start
- The New Haven Diaper Bank
- Yale School of Medicine

Hub Locations

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311 Valley St
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