

Senior Services

- Food Services/Senior Nutrition
- Frank DeFrancisco Eastwood Community Center
- Foster Grandparent Program



SENIOR NUTRITION

April: 7,116 Meals served to congregate senior sites.

➤ \$11,396.80 total senior contributions, average of \$1.60 per diner.

245 Meals served to Salvation Army seniors. (Invoiced \$1,683.91)

HEAD START / SALVATION ARMY KIDS

April: Head Start Breakfast: 10,416 Salvation Army Kids: 1,260 (Invoiced \$6,226.62)

Head Start Lunch: 10,800

Head Start Snack: 11,328

Early Head start (Breakfast/Lunch/Snack): 1,812/ 1,812/ 1,812

Food Service Program Updates April

☞ New Food Service vehicle, F-18, was delivered. This successfully closes out the CREST grant.

☞ A request was made for an increase to the per plate county reimbursement for senior nutrition. A new rate was granted at \$15.75/served (increased from \$14.50).

☞ Site opening date set for Southern Missionary Baptist Church (3143 Midland Ave.) on May 8th. Lunch served from 12-1. (2nd & 4th Fridays)

☞ Dates for senior lunches at the Regional Market confirmed: July 9, 16, 23, 30 & Aug 6, 13.

☞ New Hire: Michelle Simko, Cook

Program Opportunities

Food Service is fully staffed.



Eastwood Community Center Board Report May 2026

Eastwood Community Center enrollment:

- 77 registered seniors at month-end April

Eastwood Community Center Highlights:

- Approximately 25+ seniors are dining on-site daily
- A monthly informational mailing to the seniors includes a newsletter, monthly menu, activities, along with community information
- Activities for seniors include: Movie Day, Smart Device Training, Game Day, Art/Crafts, Bunko, Bingo, Walking with Oscar & Book Club.
- The monthly breakfast club meet-up was held at Market Diner with 18 in attendance.
- Oscar Vergara is teaching conversational Spanish to the seniors on a weekly basis. There are 6 seniors in attendance.
- There were several donation pick-ups this month.
- The monthly Lunch n' Learn focused on saving money on your energy bill. Sally Ward resented on this topic
- Several seniors are in the hospital with varying medical issues from falls or illnesses. Staff follows through regularly with them and their families.
- One of our seniors entered Hospice. We visited him and his family

Monitoring & Assistance provided to Eastwood Community Center's seniors:

On a regular basis we are reaching out to the seniors who are home-bound insuring their safety and on-going needs are met.



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Seniors

Foster Grandparent Program Board Report April 2026 Recap



FGP Updates

Foster Grandparent volunteers enrollment

- 54 enrolled

FGP Activities

9:00 am – 12:00 pm

- April 15 ~ 23 FGs
- April 16 ~ 25 FGs

Seven Powers of Conscious Discipline

By: Jenn Gaffney, FGP Program Manager

- ❖ Discipline vs. punishment
- ❖ Know your triggers
- ❖ Calming Activities
- ❖ How to Help Kids with Self-Regulation
- ❖ Help Kids become self-reflective
- ❖ Brain smart Strategies

FGP Business:

- FGP Office Move new address same phone numbers
- Distribute Invitations to 5/13 FGP Recognition Luncheon
- 2026 Anniversary Awards
- Summer School Sign Up – no firm dates or locations yet.
- Policy Update – Volunteering at site with relatives attending

FGP Annual Volunteer Recognition Luncheon

- ✓ May 13 @ The Collegian Hotel – 1060 E. Genesee St. 12 noon
Honoring all foster grandparents for dedication and hard-work over the past year.
Special recognition to:

- 10 Years

Nidia Ceballos – Seymour Dual Language Academy

Ellie Hughes – Huntington Elementary School

Steven Hydeberg – Merrick Head Start

Willie Reeves Jr. – Ed Smith Elementary School

Upcoming Events

- May 13 – Volunteer Recognition Luncheon