



NEW COMMUNITY CAREER & TECHNICAL INSTITUTE CELEBRATES GRADUATES



Students graduating from programs at New Community Career & Technical Institute (NCCTI) move their tassels from right to left during the graduation ceremony on June 14.

New Community Career & Technical Institute (NCCTI) hosted graduation on June 14 at Monsignor William J. Linder Plaza, 233 West Market St., Newark. Students who completed the Automotive Technician, Building Trades Specialist, Culinary Arts Specialist, Medical Assistant Clinical and Patient Care Technician programs were honored during the ceremony.

New Community Interim Board Chairman Edgar Nemorin congratulated the graduates and thanked them for trusting NCCTI to provide them with the skills needed to start a new career. He also encouraged them to always put in their best effort.

"There may be some tasks that might be unsuccessful or challenging, but at least you know in your heart you gave it your all. Control what you can control," he said. "Be accountable and responsible. And always remember team collaboration on any task helps everyone."

Keynote speaker Newark Mayor Ras J. Baraka told the graduating class that they should never let challenging situations or past failures deter them from trying to achieve their goals. He said he ran for public office for 16 years before he was successful. He also said having to struggle makes people appreciate their accomplishments.

"I thank you all for taking the stairs and not the elevator. The stairs are harder, they're more difficult, but when you get to the top of the landing, you appreciate the top because it was a heck of a road getting up there," he said. "So I want you to remember this journey that you went through and appreciate this journey."

Medical Assistant Clinical graduate Hafeezah Ragland shared her story at graduation. She began the program in July 2022 shortly after graduating from high school. A few weeks later, she was shot and had to stop attending NCCTI. She recovered and was able to return to school and complete the program with the help of instructor Dr. Mamdouh Sorial and supportive NCCTI staff members. Ragland now works as an Ambulatory Technician at [University Hospital](#) in the physical medicine and rehab

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THE CEO'S CORNER | BY SIMONE GAGNERON



Greetings everyone,

I hope you all are having a wonderful summer! As you'll see in this edition of the Clarion, New Community's staff and Board of Directors work tirelessly to meet the mission. I would like to say thank you once again to the NCC staff and Board for their commitment and dedication to the organization's goals.

In the late spring, we celebrated the graduates of [New Community Career & Technical Institute \(NCCTI\)](#) and

were honored to host Newark Mayor Ras J. Baraka as the graduation keynote speaker, along with a number of employer partners who help our graduates find employment.

We also held a ceremony for our youngest graduates from our two early learning centers. We are honored to provide the educational foundation to these young children and set them up for success in kindergarten and beyond.

Our annual Health Fair in July was a big success. We were able to share information about a variety of our services, including [New Community Extended Care Facility](#), [Family Service Bureau of Newark \(FSB\)](#), [Property Management](#), [Harmony House](#), NCCTI, our [Family Resource Success Center](#) and our early learning centers. We also hosted a large number of vendors who shared health and community information and provided services like COVID-19 vaccines, eye exams and blood pressure screenings. Because of our partners, this was our largest turnout with more than 200 participants. We thank members of the community for coming out and look forward to seeing you at our upcoming events.

New Community Arts is resuming Friday night music at Monsignor Linder Plaza on Sept. 6 with an End of Summer Dance Party. Tickets can be purchased by [clicking here](#).

Our [Youth Services Department](#) will host its annual Back 2 School Jam on Saturday, Sept. 14. The event will include a video game truck, bouncy house, rock climbing wall, school supplies (while supplies last), games, face painting and food. We thank Swing Phi Swing Social Fellowship Inc. for donating the school supplies. More information about the event can be found by [clicking here](#).

Our largest fundraiser, Golfing for a Cause, will take place on Monday, Sept. 23 at Cedar Hill County Club in Livingston. Visit [newcommunity.org/golf](#) for more information and to register for the event.

Visit [our website](#) to learn more about all our events and initiatives. We look forward to seeing you soon and thank you for being a part of the NCC family!

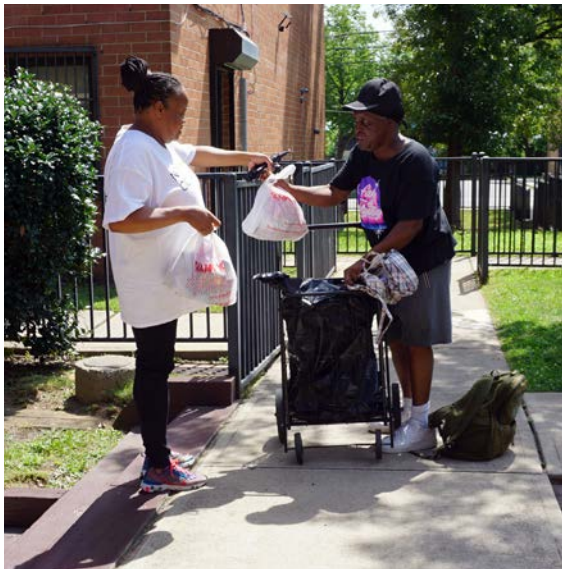
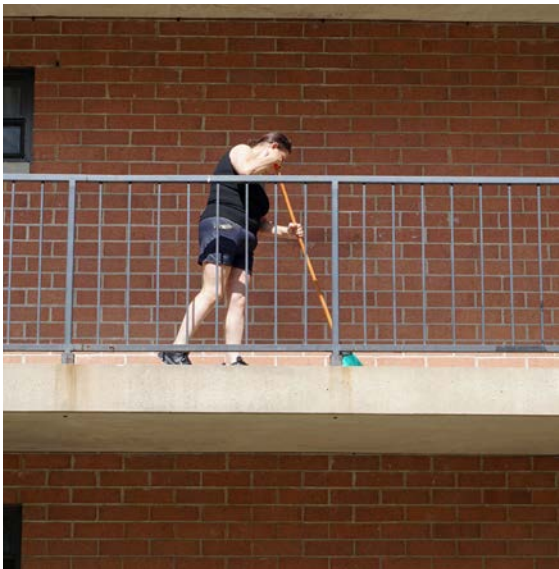
Be safe and be well.

Simone Gagneron, CEO

AROUND THE NETWORK

MANOR FAMILY HOSTS CLEANUP DAY FOR RESIDENTS

Manor Family at 225 Hunterdon St., Newark, hosted Cleanup Day on July 26. Residents were encouraged to clean and beautify the areas outside their homes. They also received bags of food as well as toys and clothing for children. [Click here for more photos.](#)



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EXTENDED CARE RESIDENTS ENJOY CRUISE PARTY

New Community Extended Care Facility, 266 South Orange Ave., Newark, hosted a Cruise Party for residents on June 21. They got to experience life on a cruise ship with a virtual tour of islands, fun drinks and food. Photos courtesy of Julienne Van-Nooten. [Click here for more photos.](#)



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Residents of Associates, 180 South Orange Ave., Newark, celebrated Birthdays in June and July. Photos courtesy of Anne Moran.



The June birthday celebration at Associates on June 27.



Associates celebrated July birthdays on July 31.

NCCTI HOLDS PINNING CEREMONY FOR TRADES STUDENTS

New Community Career & Technical Institute (NCCTI) held a pinning ceremony on June 21 for students in the Automotive Technician and Building Trades Specialist programs. The event recognized the hard work the students have put into their studies. Photos courtesy of Chanda Webb.



NEW COMMUNITY HEALTH FAIR DRAWS OVER 200 PARTICIPANTS

New Community hosted its annual Health Fair on July 25 in the parking lot behind [New Community Extended Care Facility](#). The free event featured a wide variety of vendors, health screenings, health and community information, COVID vaccines, music and food. More than 200 people attended the event, which featured about 50 vendors.

New Community departments, including Property Management, early learning centers, behavioral health services provider [Family Service Bureau of Newark \(FSB\)](#), transitional housing facility [Harmony House](#), [New Community Career & Technical Institute \(NCCTI\)](#), skilled nursing facility Extended Care and the [Family Resource Success Center](#), joined a variety of other entities for a day of sharing information with the community. Other vendors included the [New Jersey Department of Health](#), [Newark Department of Health and Community Wellness](#), [Rutgers Cancer Institute](#), health insurance companies, [New Jersey Department of Labor](#) and [Legal Services of New Jersey](#).

New Community CEO Simone Gagneron thanked the sponsors and vendors for their support of the Health Fair. She also expressed her gratitude to members of the community who participated in the event, including New Community residents.

“Thank you to the community who came out,” she said. “This is an amazing turnout.”

Upon entering the Health Fair, attendees



A variety of New Community departments participated in the Health Fair on July 25, providing information about programs and services and giving away branded items.



New Community Security Operations Manager Derek White, New Community Extended Care Administrator Veronica Onwunaka and Newark Councilman-at-Large C. Lawrence Crump, left to right, at the New Community Health Fair.



New Community CEO Simone Gagneron, center, with New Community Career & Technical Institute students at the Health Fair.

were given a passport listing all participating vendors. As they went to the booths, the vendors signed their passports. Once attendees had visited the majority of vendors, they handed in their passports to receive a hot lunch.



Families who came out to the New Community Health Fair received valuable health and community information.

New Community thanks everyone who came out to support the Health Fair and hopes everyone enjoyed themselves and received useful information.

[Click here for more photos.](#)

NEW COMMUNITY OPENS MEDITATION PARK FOR RESIDENTS

New Community opened Meditation Park, also known as Seven Generations Park, on July 2. The organization plans to have events in the park for residents and staff members. The park is located next to Commons Senior, 140 South Orange Ave., Newark.



NCCTI STUDENTS LEARN ABOUT EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

New Community Career & Technical Institute (NCCTI) welcomed HR representative Karen Venokur from [Tilcon New York](#) on June 5. She spoke with Automotive Technician and Building Trades Specialist students about the company's employment opportunities in both New Jersey and New York. *Photo courtesy of Chanda Webb.*



NCC SECURITY PERSONNEL TRAINING

Members of New Community's Security Department participated in training on July 23 at Monsignor William J. Linder Plaza, 233 West Market St., Newark. Security Operations Manager Derek White led the training with input from Director of Human Resources Benjamin Galvez.



KINDERGARTEN, HERE THEY COME!

Students of [Community Hills Early Learning Center \(CHELC\)](#) and [Harmony House Early Learning Center \(HHELC\)](#) participated in a graduation ceremony at the NCC Neighborhood Center, 56-68 Hayes St., Newark, on June 21. The children performed for their families and received their diplomas. We wish them all the best as they enter kindergarten. [Click here for more photos.](#)



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FROM PAGE 1



New Community Board Member Fernando Colon, New Community Interim Board Chairman Edgar Nemorin, Newark Mayor Ras J. Baraka, New Community Board Chairman Emeritus Dr. A. Zachary Yamba and New Community Director of Mission Frances Teabout, left to right, at the NCCTI graduation.

department. Her future goal is to become a licensed practical nurse (LPN) or registered nurse (RN).

“I am super grateful for the opportunity that I was given at NCCTI,” she said.

Ragland also shared words of encouragement to her fellow graduates.

“No matter which route and trials and tribulations you go through in life, never give up. It might be hard, but with the right support and guidance, you’re going to accomplish your goals,” she said.

NCCTI presented New Community Board Chairman Emeritus Dr. A. Zachary Yamba with a plaque of appreciation for his work with the school. Yamba, who retired as Board Chairman in December, worked closely with NCCTI over the years bringing his experience in education to help elevate the school and assist with the re-accreditation process.

Yamba said he became involved with New Community because the organization served him when he first came to the United States. Founder Monsignor William



NCCTI graduate Hafeezah Ragland shares her story of overcoming obstacles to complete the Medical Assistant Clinical program and find employment.

J. Linder asked him to become a member of the Board and wanted him to assume the leadership role after his passing, which Yamba did to carry on the mission of New Community. He said the graduates are a part of that.

“To the graduates today, you are a testament and recipient of the legacy that Monsignor Linder built for our community,” Yamba said.

Employer partners also addressed the crowd. David Hutchinson from [Tremco](#), who founded the [Rising Stars Program](#) that NCCTI Building Trades Specialist students participate in, told the graduates that they should be proud of their accomplishments but also look toward future goals.

“Today you’ve completed a very important hurdle. But it is not the end line for you,” he said. “It’s the start of your journey. Continue to press forward and continue to strive for more.”

Kobie Brown from [Newark Community Health Centers](#), which has hired NCCTI students, told the graduates to be accountable to themselves to push themselves forward and not to forget their roots.



NCCTI Patient Care Technician instructor Dr. Ehab Salib presents graduate Monica Parker with her diploma during the graduation ceremony.

“Make sure that you’re doing everything that you can to be a pillar in this community and to be a successful part of this community,” he said.

New Community Director of Mission Frances Teabout closed out the graduation ceremony by thanking the speakers, NCCTI instructors and staff members and the graduates’ support systems. She also asked the graduates to share their positive experiences with others.

“When New Community comes up, I want you all to speak good of us,” she said. “To let somebody know that New Community has made a difference in your life. Because that’s how we’re able to continue doing what we’re doing.”

NCCTI is an accredited post-secondary career and technical institution that is currently enrolling for the following programs: Automotive Technician, Building Trades Specialist, Medical Assistant Clinical, Patient Care Technician and Culinary Arts Specialist. For more information, call 973-824-6484, email nccti@newcommunity.org, log onto newcommunitytech.edu or visit 274 South Orange Ave., Newark.

[Click here for more photos.](#)

FAMILY SERVICE BUREAU OF NEWARK: DON'T NEGLECT YOUR MENTAL HEALTH

Why did the psychologist bring a ladder to therapy? To help their patients reach new heights!

We often think about going to the doctor for a check-up or visiting the dentist for a cleaning, but what about our mental health? It's just as important to give our minds a tune-up as it is to keep our bodies in check.

First things first, let's address the elephant in the room: the stigma around seeking mental health and addiction counseling. For some reason, society has decided that it's OK to talk about our physical ailments, but when it comes to our mental health, we're expected to keep quiet. Spoiler alert: that's nonsense! Seeking help for your mental health isn't a sign of weakness; it's a sign of strength. It shows that you're taking proactive steps to live your best life. Imagine if we treated mental health like we do our cars. You wouldn't ignore the check engine light, would you? So why ignore the signs that your mind needs a little TLC?

Counseling is like having a personal coach for your brain. The benefits are enormous: better coping skills, improved relationships, self-discovery and the invaluable support and validation that comes from knowing someone is in your corner, listening without judgment. Life throws curveballs, and counseling helps you catch them. Whether it's stress from work, relationship troubles, or dealing with a global pandemic, solid coping skills make all the difference. Communication is key in any relationship, and counseling can help you understand and express your feelings better, leading to more meaningful connections with those around you. Sometimes, we're so busy with life that we forget to check in with ourselves. Counseling provides a space to explore who you are, your values and what you want from life. It's comforting to know that someone supports and validates you as you navigate life's challenges.

Addiction is a beast of its own, but counseling can be a powerful tool in the fight. Whether it's substance abuse, gambling or even social media, breaking free from addiction is tough. But with the right support, it's absolutely possible. Counseling offers a safe space to explore the root causes of addiction, develop healthier habits and build a support system. It's not about judging or shaming but understanding and healing.

If you're considering counseling but feel hesitant, think of it this way: You're investing in your most important asset –

yourself. There's no shame in seeking help; it's one of the bravest things you can do. So, let's normalize taking care of our mental health. Let's talk openly about it, share our stories and support one another. Because at the end of the day, we all deserve to live our best lives – mentally, physically and emotionally.

Get in Touch!

Family Service Bureau of Newark (FSB):

- Newark Office: 274 South Orange Ave., 973-412-2056
- Kearny Office: 379 Kearny Ave., 201-246-8077

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LEARNING FIRE SAFETY

Residents of Associates, 180 South Orange Ave., Newark, attended a presentation from the Newark Fire Department discussing fire safety. Photo courtesy of Anne Moran.

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Wellness Tip
August 2024

Tips for Seniors to Stay Safe in the Summer Heat

Stay Cool in Breathable Fabrics

Keep cool by wearing breathable fabrics such as cotton. Opt for loose, light-colored clothing to help regulate your body temperature. Layering enables you to easily adjust to temperature changes during the day.

Avoid Heat Stroke

Heat-related illnesses can arise rapidly when your body struggles to control its temperature. To address this, seek a cool setting with air conditioning or shade to cool down efficiently. Applying cold compresses to the back of your neck is a suggested method to relieve symptoms associated with heat-related conditions.

Protect Skin and Eyes

Sun protection is crucial when outdoors. Seniors should wear sunscreen (SPF 15+), UVA/UVB sunglasses, and a wide brimmed hat to prevent sunburn.

Take Frequent Breaks

Remember to take breaks in the summer sun. Find a cool spot or sit in the shade to rest and hydrate, preventing overwork.

Limit Strenuous Activities

Be mindful of your capabilities. Stay hydrated and opt for low-stress activities like swimming, stretching, or walking.

Stay Hydrated

Keep hydrated, especially if you're over 65! Elderly individuals may struggle to recognize dehydration, so make sure to drink plenty of fluids. Opt for low-sugar drinks like water, cucumber water, coconut water, or herbal teas instead of caffeinated or alcoholic beverages.

For more information about VNA Health Group's services & programs, please call 800.862.3330 or visit vnahg.org

EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT: MARTINHA GRACIAS



Martinha Gracias has worked at New Community Extended Care Facility since 2002.

Martinha Gracias is a familiar face at [New Community Extended Care Facility](#). She has worked there for 22 years as the Business Office Coordinator, making sure everything related to finances is in order. She also helps with admissions and other administrative tasks.

“My main job here is to take care of the patients’ accounts to make sure that they

get their money and it’s available for them,” Gracias explained.

Her relationship with the patients isn’t strictly transactional, however. Her favorite part of her job is mingling with and talking to the patients.

“That’s what I love, to be with the patients,” Gracias said. “It’s the passion of my job, what I like to do. If I didn’t like it, I’d be out.”

Extended Care Administrator Veronica Onwunaka called Gracias the backbone of the facility’s administration.

“Martinha will help you with anything at all. She’s quite an asset to me as an administrator and to the entire corporation,” Onwunaka said. “She really believes in New Community’s mission and she carries it out every day.”

Gracias grew up in India and spent seven years living in Kuwait before Iraq invaded the country under the leadership of Saddam Hussein. Following the invasion, Gracias returned to India before moving to the

United States with her husband in 1990. Gracias found her job with New Community through a friend and former coworker who was impressed with her skills and told her she would be a good fit for the role at Extended Care. Once she came on board, she enjoyed the work and has been there ever since.

The Monmouth County resident spends much of her spare time involved in her church’s activities. She listens to spiritual YouTube videos while commuting to and from work and on morning walks. On her lunch break, she watches an Indian soap opera through Hulu. She also enjoys traveling and makes an effort to travel at least once per year. She has a trip to India planned in November, her first since COVID-19.

Gracias is married and has three grown daughters. She doesn’t have plans to retire any time soon. “If I didn’t love my job, I wouldn’t be here,” she said.

SENIOR SPOTLIGHT: JOANNE WILLIAMS

Joanne Williams is a long-time resident of Gardens Senior. She moved to the building at 265 Morris Ave., Newark, 17 years ago, one month after her father became a resident. They lived one floor apart until her father passed away in 2020.

Williams spent her career serving others in the medical field. She earned certifications as a certified nursing assistant (CNA) and home health aide and worked in hospitals and nursing homes. She retired from the position of psychiatric unit clerk at St. James Hospital.

“I always loved patient care,” she said. “I just love helping people.”

That sensibility remains with Williams. Gardens Senior Resident Services Coordinator Sister Leticlare Pwalua said Williams is one of the building’s best

residents since she’s willing to help out when asked and she checks in on residents and staff members.

“She’s always looking out for her neighbors,” Pwalua said. “She’s respectful, she doesn’t talk any harm and she listens.”

Williams raised seven children as a single mother. She has more than 15 grandchildren and close to 10 great-grandchildren. She credits her faith with helping her successfully bring up her family.

“I stayed faithful to the Lord and he blessed me and helped me raise my children,” she said.

Williams will turn 70 on Jan. 1. She enjoys playing on her keyboard, reading scriptures, crocheting, sewing and restoring old furniture. She also likes to play video games



Joanne Williams has lived at Gardens Senior since 2007.

on her PlayStation 5 with her youngest son. She is grateful to have her apartment.

“I feel like living here is a roof over my head and it’s a blessing,” she said. “Because there’s so many people that don’t have a roof.”

SOCIAL SECURITY NEWS: SUPPLEMENTAL SECURITY INCOME FOR CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES

BY SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION

Did you know that Social Security’s Supplemental Security Income (SSI) program provides cash payments to children with disabilities whose families have limited income and resources?

A child must meet all of the following disability requirements to be considered medically eligible for SSI:

- The child, if not blind, generally must not be working or earning more than \$1,550 a month in 2024.
- If the child is blind, they must not be working or earning more than \$2,590 in 2024. The earning amounts usually change every year to keep up with inflation.

The child must have a medical condition(s),

that result in “marked and severe functional limitations.” This means that the condition(s) must very seriously limit the child’s activities.

The child’s condition(s) must be expected to last for at least a year or result in death.

Some teens may have part-time jobs or be involved in work programs, which may affect their eligibility for SSI. In addition, if an unmarried child under age 18 is living at home with one or both parents, we will consider some of the parents’ income as the child’s income. We make allowances for the parents and their other children living in the home when we consider the parents’ income. You can learn more about children’s benefits in our publication, Benefits for Children with Disabilities at www.ssa.gov/pubs/EN-05-10026.pdf.

We also help children – and adults – through our Compassionate Allowances program. Compassionate Allowances are a way to quickly identify conditions that, by definition, meet our standard for disability benefits. You can read the list of conditions at www.ssa.gov/compassionateallowances/conditions.htm. Compassionate Allowances can help reduce the time it takes for us to make a disability determination for applicants with the most serious disabilities. Thousands of children receive benefits because they have a condition on this list, but children with conditions not on this list can still qualify for SSI.

If you are or know a parent, guardian, caregiver or representative of a child who may be eligible for SSI, visit our Disability Benefits webpage – Apply for a Child (Under Age 18) at www.ssa.gov/ssi to learn more.

EXTENDED CARE HELPS NEW COMMUNITY RESIDENT RETURN HOME

Following a hospital stay, Dorine Edwards needed rehabilitation and physical therapy to strengthen her arms and legs. She has severe arthritis in her legs and a hole in her spine. She chose to come to [New Community Extended Care Facility](#) for services. After two months and two weeks at the skilled nursing facility, Edwards was able to return home to New Community Commons Senior.

Edwards was familiar with Extended Care prior to entering the facility on March 27. She had been a patient at Extended Care in 2021 receiving similar rehabilitation and physical therapy. She had good experiences for both of her stays.

“It’s nice here,” she said. “I like everything.”

When University Hospital gave Edwards the choice of several places to receive rehabilitation and physical therapy, she chose Extended Care because of her past experience. Her doctor also worked on site.

Extended Care Administrator Veronica

Onwunaka is thankful Edwards’ chose to return to the facility and knows she did so because of the care the staff provides.

“Ms. Dorine is an advocate for great care. She really sees the goodness and the kindness and the spirit of welcoming that the staff at Extended Care gives to all our residents,” Onwunaka said. “I am so grateful that she gave us the opportunity to serve her again.”

While her stay was relatively short, Edwards participated in activities, including a cookout and buffet lunch, which she enjoyed.

Edwards has been a New Community resident for nine years. She lives in an apartment at Commons Senior, 140 South Orange Ave., Newark. While she was happy to return home, Edwards said she was grateful for the services she received at Extended Care, particularly the physical therapy, which she continued after discharge.



Dorine Edwards received rehabilitation services at New Community Extended Care Facility before returning home to New Community Commons Senior.

“The people in there are very nice,” she said. “They had me stand and strengthen my arms. It was helpful.”

New Community Extended Care Facility is a skilled nursing facility located at 266 South Orange Ave., Newark. It offers long-term care, short-term care, subacute care and Alzheimer’s and dementia care. For more information, visit [newarknursinghome.org](#) or call 973-624-2020.

CELEBRATING RUTGERS’ AGING & BRAIN HEALTH ALLIANCE



New Community CEO Simone Gagneron, second from right, celebrated with the [Aging & Brain Health Alliance](#) at Rutgers-Newark on July 25. NCC residents participated in the group’s most recent study. *Photo courtesy of Simone Gagneron.*

NCC ATTENDS SERVICE FAIR



Representatives from New Community attended the [Bridges Outreach Inc. Service Fair](#) on June 27 in Newark’s Military Park. They shared information about NCC’s programs and services with attendees. *Photo courtesy of Alysha Alston.*

NCC LEADERSHIP BEAUTIFIES EXTENDED CARE



New Community leadership team members helped beautify the grounds of [Extended Care](#) by planting flowers on June 6 as part of the organization’s annual Spring Up initiative.

NCCTI WELCOMES NEW CLASSES OF STUDENTS



New Community Career & Technical Institute (NCCTI) hosted orientation for its newest class of Automotive Technician students on July 11 and for Medical Assistant Clinical (MAC) students on July 18. The students met members of the NCCTI staff, learned about the school’s policies and procedures and had the opportunity to ask questions. Automotive Technician classes began on July 15 and MAC classes began on July 22.

NCCTI Medical Assistant Clinical students attend orientation on July 18.

NCCTI Automotive Technician students attend orientation on July 11.

CHILDREN HAVE FUN AT NEW COMMUNITY SUMMER CAMP 2024

New Community's [Youth Services Department](#) provided an eight-week [summer camp](#) for children ages 5 to 13. Campers enjoyed a variety of activities including swimming, sports, STEAM activities and theme days, as well as field trips to a number of locations, including the [Philadelphia Zoo](#), [Medieval Times](#), [LEGOLAND](#), [Urban Air](#), [The Funplex](#) and [Dorney Park](#). *Photos courtesy of Youth Services.* [Click here for more photos.](#)



EXTENDED CARE ATTENDS VA CAREGIVER SUPPORT SUMMIT



New Community Extended Care Facility Director of Admissions Julienne Van-Nooten attended the VA Caregiver Support Annual Summit on June 24 at the [VA New Jersey Health Care System](#) in East Orange. The theme of this year's summit was "Beyond the Caregiving Role: Seeing the Whole Caregiver." Van-Nooten shared information about a variety of New Community programs and services. *Photo courtesy of Julienne Van-Nooten.*

NCC RESIDENTS CELEBRATE SUMMER AND BIRTHDAYS



Orange Senior, 132 William St., Orange, hosted a cook-in and birthday celebration for residents on July 25 in the building's Community Room. *Photo courtesy of Alisha Chatman-Jenkins.*

NCCTI STUDENTS PASS NATIONAL EXAM

Four Patient Care Technician students at [New Community Career & Technical Institute \(NCCTI\)](#) passed the [National Healthcareer Association](#) exam in June. Congratulations to Tatiyana Rollins, Tavaine Salmon, Tyshona Wilkins and Leodline Bassinet Sae on their accomplishment. *Photo courtesy of Chanda Webb.*

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