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## April 2021 Newsletter

Hello Gene,

The name Gateway Community Action Partnership reflects our expanded coverage area, but more importantly, it signifies what we are all about. We are a gateway to success for individuals and families in our community and we achieve those results through actions done in partnership within that very community we serve. So please take a minute to read our newsletter and learn more about our successes and struggles as we serve a Gateway to Community Action in Partnership with others for everyone's benefit!

### Agency Mission And CAP Promise

The agency's mission is to provide services that improve the quality of life and promote self-sufficiency.

**CAP Promise:** Community Action changes people's lives, embodies the spirit of hope, improves communities, and makes America a better place to live. We care about the entire community, and we are dedicated to helping people help themselves and each other.

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### President & CEO Albert B. Kelly, Gateway Featured In Article About Response To Homelessness

Albert B. Kelly, Gateway Community Action Partnership's President and CEO, and Gateway are featured in an article in The Housing and Community Development Network of New Jersey publication. The article covers Kelly's founding and development of the Code Blue program in Bridgeton, along with Rev. Dr. Robin Weinstein of Bethany Grace Community Church. Rev. Dr. Weinstein is also a Gateway Board Member. The article also details Gateway's creation of a warming center - the River's Edge Warming Center - on Gateway's main campus, Gateway's success in addressing homelessness, and addressing long-term issues regarding homelessness.



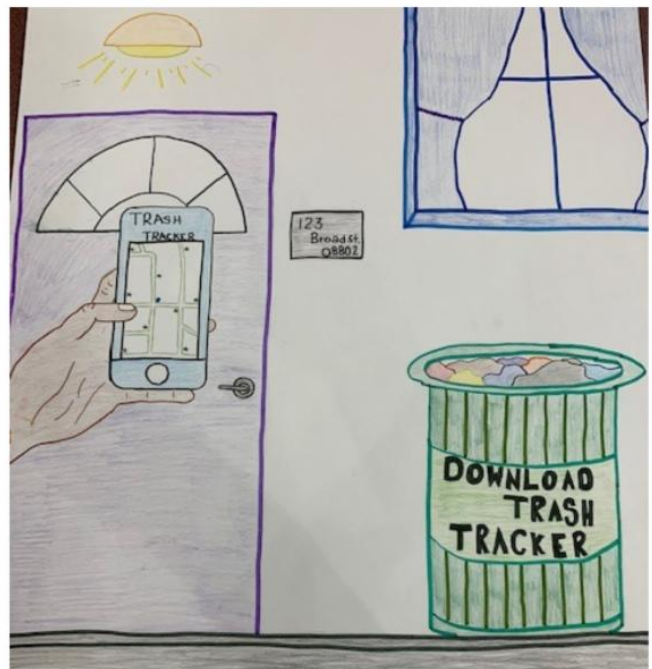
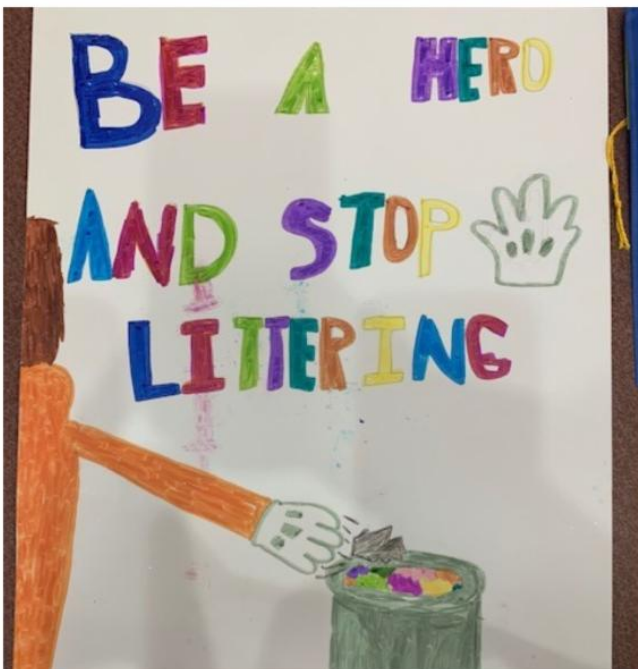
The full article can be found here:

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## Bridgeton Beautification Press Conference Held To Announce Poster Contest Winners

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**A press conference was held on March 25 at Bridgeton High School for the Bridgeton Beautification Poster Contest. First Place winners received \$50 TD Bank gift cards and Second Place winners received \$25 gift cards.**  
**Pictured in the collage - Gateway's President and CEO, Albert B. Kelly (top left) and Executive Vice President and COO, Edward Bethea (top right), along with two of the winning posters.**

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## **Bridgeton's Semi-Annual Citywide Cleanup Volunteers Help Brighten The Community**

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**Bridgeton's Semi-Annual Citywide Cleanup was a success! We are grateful for all of the volunteers who helped make this effort to improve the community possible.**



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## **Twin Rivers Head Start Kicks Off Spring With Educational Activities And Crafts**

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Children at the Twin Rivers Head Start Center celebrated Dr. Seuss' birthday by reading "The Cat In The Hat" and making their very own hats out of paper plates.



At the Twin Rivers center, children learned about the various types of pets. They had the chance to visit the "pet store," play veterinarian, and draw their favorite pets. Pictured at the bottom, St. Paul's Lutheran Church donated Spring bags to the Twin Rivers Head Start center.

## Holly City Family Success Center Hosts Annual Easter Egg Hunt





Holly City Family Success Center of Millville hosted their Annual Easter Egg Hunt on March 27. Over 800 Eggs were scattered about for the children, and 48 golden eggs were hidden for the parents/caregivers to also partake in the fun.

This annual egg hunt is held to bring awareness to the prevention of child abuse. April is Child Abuse Awareness Month, and every year the HCFSC hosts this event to get families outside and active while having fun together.

As a Family Success Center, HCFSC promotes the health, well-being, and personal safety of children and families by working together with parents, caregivers, organizations and communities to ensure an effective network of proven supports services, public education and community advocacy to prevent maltreatment.



## **Alexander Kaganzev Of Project Thanksgiving Tours Gateway's Mill Creek Urban Farm**

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**Alexander Kaganzev (center) of Project Thanksgiving toured Gateway's Mill Creek Urban Farm and Manheim Avenue Food Distribution warehouse recently with Marcus Weaver (left), Gateway's Director of Agriculture and Food Initiatives, and Mike Cudemo, VP of Planning.**

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## **Salem Family Success Center Raises Awareness For Child Abuse Prevention Month With Family Fun Day**

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The Salem Family Success Center held a “family fun day” on Wednesday, April 21 in honor of Child Abuse Prevention. About 10 vendors participated and 30 families were served during the event. The Salem City Police Chief and Chief Detective of Salem County Prosecutors office made an appearance with a few other detectives, and Salem City Councilman Tim Gregory was a vendor for his group “The Huddle.”

Overall, SFSC was very pleased with the turnout of the event. Every participant had their temperature checked at the door and was asked to use hand sanitizer before entering. Masks were required, and all vendor tables were set up six feet apart per CDC guidelines. All vendors had incentives for our clients who visited their tables. Games and prizes were available for the children, and each parent who registered with SFSC received a gift card from Wawa or Walmart.

Two previous Salem Scholars, Damir Rogers and TyKerron Morrison volunteered to help with the set up and break down of the event.









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## Welcome To Gateway CAP's New Hires!

**Jared Beatty, Program Nutritionist**

**Yarisel Frias, Program Nutritionist**

**Cyrus Hendricks, Gateway Scholars**

**Keldashia Underwood, Gateway Scholars**

**Dereck Ford, Gateway Scholars**

**Denise Wright, EHS CCC Family Resource Associate**

**Laleshka Rivera Berrocales, Family Advocate**

**Vanessa Vega, Sub Teacher Assistant**

**Ruby Gaitan Barragan, Sub Teacher Assistant**

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