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HIV TESTING

We are relaunching our Free and Confidential HIV testing program! If you or anyone you know is interested in getting an HIV test, contact us by phone. We are currently doing HIV testing by appointment only! Some of the safety measures we are taking are:

- Having Clients and Staff wear masks and gloves
- Administering test behind a plexiglass divider
- Disinfection before and after every client

Thank you for your understanding and we are happy to be getting back in the swing of things.

-ACCT Outreach Dept.

Care Communiqué

AUGUST 2020



PANTRY DAYS

August pantry days will be...

August 3rd, 4th, and 5th - 11am to 3pm

August 10th, 11th, and 12th - 11am to 3pm



In addition to the normal pantry provided to all clients, we will be providing another cleaning supply pantry filled with various items to keep your home and self clean!

HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS KITS

Hurricane season is in full swing! In the spirit of being prepared for an emergency evacuation, we are providing "GO" bags for our clients.

A BIG OLE' ACCT THANK YOU to the UTMB nursing students. This project was headed and executed by some wonderful bright young people who are passionate about helping people in the community. We are so thankful for their input and grateful for their continuous work with ACCT and our clients.

We'd also like to thank Bets Douzar, Galveston College, The Gulf Coast Center, and Texas A&M at Galveston for all of your generous donations!

These bags will be limited to 100 people on a first come first serve basis. They will be distributed during the August pantry days and times.

AVENUE 360 TRAVEL ASSISTANCE

Avenue 360 is still a resource that clients can use in order to keep their teeth clean and healthy! Since having to cancel our monthly van trip to Avenue 360, we know that our clients might have barriers to getting to their dental appointments. Although providing transportation with the van is still a tool that we cannot use, Avenue 360 is making appointments. If you have an upcoming appointment, gas vouchers are an option for you to get there. Call ACCT with your appointment date and time and we will take care of it from there!

LAMBDA Meetings

Alcoholics Anonymous Meetings are now virtual via ZOOM for the foreseeable future. Below is the access and schedule for all meetings:

- Monday @ 7pm P11 - Zoom: 833 477 083
- Wednesday @ 7pm LAMBDA - Zoom: 578 293 545
- Sunday @ 7pm LAMBDA - Zoom: 578 293 545

Password for all Zoom meetings: Bob1935

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GAS CARDS FOR THE ISLAND

During the Covid-19 pandemic Island transit has restricted the bus routes on Galveston Island causing some difficulty for clients to reach core medical appointments. To assist the clients in maintaining their health, ACCT will be expanding the Gas Card Program to allow Galveston Island residents to receive \$5 gas card vouchers to attend appointments.

To receive a voucher, you must supply an appointment slip of an upcoming appointment. You may use a printout of the UTMB My chart screen or an appointment reminder from the provider. You may submit by email, fax, or drop off at ACCT. (carrier pigeon and balloon drop not recommended)

Everyone, not just Island residents, please remember you may request transportation assistance for the following:

- ACCT Eligibility Meetings
- Medical (Dental pharmacy)
- Mental Health (Licensed provider)
- Substance Abuse Treatment (not AA/NA)
- Treatment adherence services
- Legal (not parole or probation)
- UTMB Case/Care Management
- Entitlement services such as DSS/Social Services
- Housing retention services, HOPWA (not apartment searches)

Census Completion Contest

ACCT has teamed up with the United Way Galveston in the #countgalveston project to get Galveston fully represented in the 2020 census cycle.

If you **HAVE NOT** completed your census, live in Galveston and are interested in winning \$25 Walmart gift card, please give us a call! Christin will be taking care of helping you through the process and entering your name in a chance to win!! This contest will go through August 31st and the winner will be pulled September 1st!



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TO CENSUS 2020

ATTENTION CLIENTS!!!

Back to
SCHOOL

sign up for supplies starts now!
Call Donna at 409-763-2437 to sign-up

Deadline is August 14th. This year we will be mailing school supplies cards on the week of August 17th

Children who qualify for the program are:

- 1) HIV positive children under 18 yrs of age
- 2) A child younger than 18 yrs of age who lives more than 51% of the year in the home of an ACCT client and has previously been listed as a dependent prior to July 9, 2019 who is:
 - a) Biological child of an ACCT client, or
 - b) A child who has been legally adopted or guardianship has been established by an ACCT client, or
 - c) A stepchild (through legal or common law marriage) of an ACCT client.

August Pantry

PANTRY DISTRIBUTION AUGUST- Currently, we are planning to distribute pantry on the normally scheduled days of August 3rd, 4th, 5th and 10th, 11th, 12th from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. In compliance with the new directives shared by the Houston Food Bank and the Galveston Food Bank we will be using a "DRIVE THROUGH DELIVERY SYSTEM" to maintain social distancing.

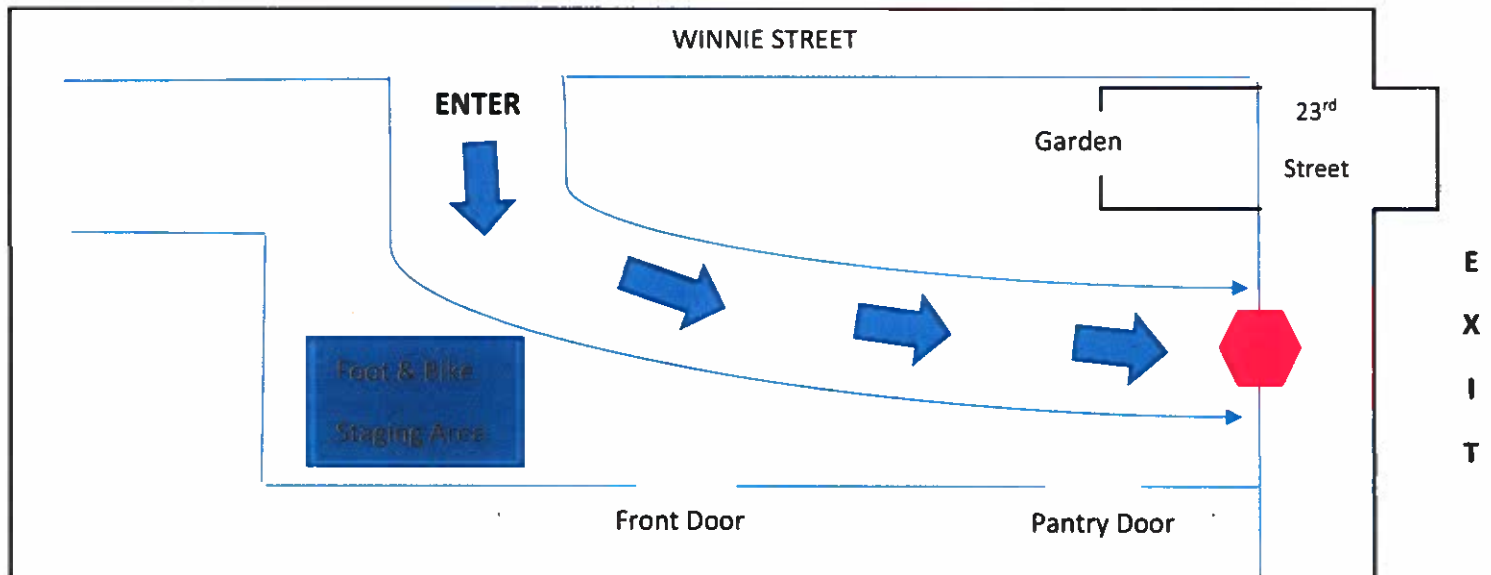
If arriving by car

- Enter the parking lot from Winnie Street leaving room between vehicles for volunteers to maneuver
- Open your trunk
- Return to your vehicle and wait for assistance from ACCT staff
- Staff will load your pantry into the trunk of the car
- If for any reason we are unable to load in the rear of your vehicle, a staff member will bring out your pantry and step back 6 feet, allowing you to exit your vehicle and load it yourself.
- Leave the cart on the side of the lane and return to your vehicle. Staff will retrieve the cart to be cleaned for the next person.
- After loading has been completed, please exit onto 23rd Street

Client's arriving by foot or bike

- Enter the parking lot and position yourself in the area designated for foot and bikes
- Please remain 6 feet away from anyone that might also be in this area
- Do NOT stand within 12 feet of the pantry delivery door
- Pantry will be brought to designated area and left for you to retrieve. Place cart outside of the line once you have gathered your items for staff to pick up to be cleaned for next client.
- Exit parking lot from the 23rd Street watching for vehicles.

Walkers and bikers be aware that this is distribution will be as large as possible. You may not be able to carry all the food or able to transport by bike. You may want to arrange other transportation! Unfortunately, food delivery is not possible.





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