

OFFICE HOURS: MON - FRI 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM • DISTRIBUTIONS: MON - FRI 10 AM - 1 PM & TUES. 4 - 6 PM

EduTech coming soon!



New education program focused on well-paid tech careers

This June, the Center will begin enrolling people for EduTech, a **FREE educational program focused on preparing students for a career in the well-paid, growing area of Information Technology.**

EduTech, which will use curriculum developed by Google, will enroll 40 participants each year. Groups of 10 will take classes for 4 to 6 months and have access to supports like food and diapers, gas vouchers, childcare vouchers, interview clothing stipends, etc. to ensure success!

If you're interested in starting a stable, well-paid career in technology, stay tuned. We'll let you know when and where to find the application in June!

Affordable Connectivity Program

ACP is a new, long-term program aimed at making broadband access affordable for all. Families struggling to pay for internet service may be eligible for a **\$30 per month discount on broadband** internet service. Qualifying households must meet specific criteria. **Visit fcc.gov/broadbandbenefit or acpbenefit.org for more information.**

Care Room coming soon!



Keep your eyes on our social media channels or be on the lookout for posters at food and diaper distribution, as that's how we'll announce that the Center's Care Room is open again!

Families may shop in the Care Room once per month for a limited number of clothing and household items, including baby accessories, kitchen goods, and more! Hours will be limited to Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.

Do you have gently-used items you no longer use? Donate them to the Center and let another family benefit! Clothing, baby items, kitchenwares, etc. are all welcome, so long as they're in good, working order.

POP scholarships accepting new students

Education is the key to improving your life! The Center's POP scholarship program allows individuals to attend Southeast Community College tuition-free while receiving additional services to help you succeed. More than 600 students have completed 30 credit hours at SCC, improving their job skills while receiving practical education in fields like healthcare, office administration, computer technology and many more! **Need more info or help getting started? Call 402.476.4357 or email pop@cfpin.org.**



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DATES TO REMEMBER

Monday, May 30

Center Closed

Memorial Day

No distribution, offices closed.

Monday, July 4

Center Closed

Independence Day

No distribution, offices closed.

Protect our community

If you are displaying symptoms of illness or were exposed to the flu or COVID-19, **please DO NOT ATTEND DISTRIBUTION.**

We serve thousands of families each week. Attending while sick puts our staff, volunteers and all of those families at risk. Instead, send your Center Card with a friend, neighbor or family member who can pick up your food and/or diaper distribution for you.

TRADE becomes Opening Doors



The Center's community reentry program has been renamed "Opening Doors." Individuals on parole or within 18 months of their release date from a State of Nebraska Department of Correctional Services facility may be eligible to participate. **Opening Doors provides practical and hands-on training to develop new and existing skills for reentry success.** Call 402.476.4357 x246 or email openingdoors@cfpin.org for more information.

OpportunityLNK career expo on May 19th

EmployLNK invites you to join Lincoln's first-ever OpportunityLNK career expo on Thursday, May 19 from 3-7 p.m. at Catholic Social Services (2241 O Street). The event will feature local employers with direct hire opportunities, plus community organizations supporting job seekers and families in Lincoln.

COVID-19 vaccine widely available

Booster shot(s) also recommended, for maximum protection

Vaccination is important in reducing the spread of infection and essential for reducing COVID-19 deaths. These vaccines have been extensively tested and deemed safe and effective in reducing spread and severe illness. For more info, please visit [vaccines.gov](https://www.vaccines.gov). **To register for your COVID-19 or seasonal flu shots, visit [vaccinate.ne.gov](https://www.vaccinate.ne.gov)** OR contact a local pharmacy for appointment options. **For those who are unable to take the COVID-19 vaccine because of allergies or other health conditions,** a preventative medication called Evusheld has been authorized. Talk to your pharmacist or doctor for more information.

Self-paced, FREE English language classes



Learn English at your own pace! The Center offers three levels of **free English language classes** Monday through Friday, 9-11 a.m.

New students are tested to evaluate current language capabilities and then enrolled in the appropriate class. Our instructors are highly skilled and dedicated to teaching English and basic American culture, with an emphasis on obtaining employment. For more information or to sign-up, contact 402.476.4357 or info@cfpin.org.

SNAP and WIC food assistance programs

If you're having trouble making ends meet, consider applying for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (formerly known as food stamps). In 2021, income eligibility for SNAP increased from 130% Federal Poverty Level to 165% FPL. This means it's even more important to see if you qualify, call the Center at 402.476.4357 to check your eligibility.

Women Infants and Children nutrition assistance

WIC is a special nutrition program specifically for pregnant and breastfeeding women and families with children younger than 5 years old. Visit [dhhs.ne.gov/pages/wic-about.aspx](https://www.dhhs.ne.gov/pages/wic-about.aspx) or call Family Service WIC at 402.441.8655 or Lincoln Lancaster County WIC at 402.441.8000.

Don't forget you can double your food dollars.

Get free fresh fruits and vegetables with your EBT card with Double Up Food Bucks. For details, visit doubleupnebraska.org!

Summer Fun: Pool passes

We will begin handing out reduced-price city pool passes on Monday, May 16th during food and diaper distribution (Monday-Friday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and Tuesdays 4 to 6 p.m.) Limit one per family. You must have a Center Card to receive a pool pass.

Zoo passes

We have not yet heard if or when Zoo passes may be available. As soon as we know, we'll post to our website and send a Client Update email. *Please do not call to ask about them.*

ClientUpdate email

To subscribe to the Center's Client Update email list, visit cfpin.org/recent-news/newsletters.



Free fans

The Center will not distribute free fans from the city's Cooling Assistance Program. To participate in that program, please contact the Economic Assistance Office at 402.323.3900 or visit <https://dhhs.ne.gov/Pages/Economic-Assistance.aspx>.



Food to fit your family



When applying for your Center Card, it's important to **list your entire family on your application**—larger families receive additional food at distribution.