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Harrison County WIC has moved from Clarksburg to Bridgeport

MORGANTOWN, WV (Sept. 26, 2018) — Monongalia County Health Department’s Women, Infants, & Children (WIC) program has moved its Harrison County office from Clarksburg to Bridgeport.

As of Monday, Sept. 24, WIC began operating out of 103 E. Main St., Bridgeport. The Harrison County WIC office had been located at the Colonial Village building at 104 E. Main St., Clarksburg, for about 24 years.

“It’s sort of like coming home,” said Anne MacBride, MCHD WIC program manager, who noted that the Harrison County WIC office was originally in downtown Bridgeport.

The new office is across the street from Almost Heaven Desserts in the space vacated by Enliven Wellness. There is ample parking behind the building, MacBride noted. At 3,134 square feet, the new office is about 400 square feet larger than the old location.

Hours at the new location will be the same: 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Also, a once-a-month clinic will be held 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. on the fourth Thursday of the month. The new number is 304-848-9680; the fax number is 304-848-9684.

Jason Nguyen, WIC dietitian, noted that the location is closer to United Hospital Center as well as many pediatricians’ offices, which should make it convenient for clients.

“It is a warm, welcoming, family-friendly office in charming area,” said Nguyen, one of the WIC staff members who will be working out of the Harrison County WIC location.

MCHD WIC was prompted to find a new location when the Colonial Village building was sold to a new owner, who apparently plans to raze it. MacBride spent a few months
looking at numerous potential new sites in Harrison County before settling on 103 E. Main St., Bridgeport.

“We considered available space in a 10-mile radius of the old office,” MacBride said. “There was a lot of space available.”

Downtown Clarksburg was an option, but parking posed an issue, MacBride added.

MCHD WIC provides services for pregnant, postpartum and breastfeeding women as well as infants and children up to the age of 5. Services include nutrition counseling, breastfeeding support, health screenings, medical and social service referrals and monthly food packages.

MCHD WIC operates in six counties: Monongalia, Preston, Marion, Harrison, Doddridge and Taylor.

Families who meet generous guidelines can qualify to participate in WIC. For instance, a family of four who makes an annual income of $46,435 or less qualifies for help. Each WIC location also offers free breastfeeding classes to all pregnant or breastfeeding women, even if they are not WIC clients. In Harrison County, those classes are held on the first and fourth Wednesday at 3 p.m., and on the third Wednesday at 10 a.m.

WIC is an equal opportunity provider. For more information on MCHD WIC, check out mylocalwic.org; the statewide program’s web address is: dhhr.wv.gov/WIC . For more information on MCHD, check out monchd.org and follow us on Facebook and Twitter @WVMCHD for up-to-date information on health and safety.

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