



Spring & Summer 2017 Cromwell Youth Services Programs

**Permission forms available on Town web site; in school office; or at Town Hall*

Cromwell Youth Service Bureau is committed to the development of a coordinated system of services and programs for youth and their families in the Town of Cromwell. These offerings foster positive youth development, assist in social and emotional growth and strive to prevent substance abuse and anti-social behavior. Youth Services provides educational and positive youth development programs which support and promote healthy children, youth, parents and families. *Mandated by Connecticut General Statute 10-19m, we are the lead local agency for community planning, coordination and evaluation of primary, secondary and tertiary prevention and treatment services for at-risk youth and provision of opportunities for all youth to develop positively and function as responsible members of our community.

SRT (Service Review Team)

Our mission of the SRT is to bring together families and providers to develop a focused action plan. We work with families to identify services in their community that will promote emotional wellness. To assist families with children struggling with emotional or behavioral issues in gaining access to community services or supports. Referrals can be made by families, schools, community members, or providers. SRT process is free service, completely confidential and open to families in Cromwell.



H.O.Y. (Hire Our Youth): An Employer/Employee Opportunity referral service. Personal contact information held in confidential file. (Variety of work available: Babysitting, Pet Care, Housework, Raking, Shoveling, Window Washing, Furniture, Boxes Moved, Light Housework, Etc.) ~ Contact Cromwell Youth Services for more information ~ 860-632-3448.



Advocacy: Provides support for young people and their families in matters such as court proceedings, PPT's, family issues, employment, and family contracts. (No fee) Crisis Intervention: When things go wrong for young people or their parents, there is a place to turn to for referrals. Administrator is available for child advocacy and networking with outside community resources. (No fee)



Camperships: Youth Services, working with the Salvation Army and Middlesex YMCA has provided camp memberships, for some of Cromwell's children who otherwise could not attend camp. (Financial aid provided with proper documentation.)



'KIN CARE': Grandparents/Relatives Raising Grandchildren Support Group: Relatives raising Kin support group. Speakers on the laws, insurance, education, DCF, to answer questions on issues faced. 12:00 noon - 1:30pm. Second Thursday monthly, 4/13; 5/11; 6/8. In Activity Room at Town Hall Open to all. No fee.



Parent/Toddler Playgroup: Tuesday ~ 10:00 - 12:00 drop in program in Gym @ Town Hall. Interaction with other children and parents, playing, exchanging experiences, sharing and exploring.



Hobby Quest Aviation Flyer: Build and Fly helicopters, gliders and motorized planes. Instructor: Hobby Quest Flight Captain. 2 Locations: Edna C. Stevens School Dismissal Room, Mondays, 4/3; 4/17; 4/24; 5/1; 5/8; 5/15 ~ 3:30 - 4:30; Fee: \$40. (Partially subsidized by Youth Grant) / Woodside Intermediate School Dock & Dine, Tuesdays, 4/4; 4/18; 4/25; 5/2; 5/9; 5/16 ~ 3:15 - 4:30; Fee: \$40. (Partially subsidized by Youth Grant) (Min. 8 - Max. 16)



3 Screens Assemblies presents "Start to Finish" Date: April 9 Location/Time: Woodside Intermediate School, 9:00am and 10:00am Edna C. Stevens School, 12:45pm and 1:35pm



Kellys Kids, Inc. Animal Therapy Program provides a quality curriculum of continuity in education through an expanded learning environment outside the traditional school day. Program uses farm animals as a tool to teach socialization, respect, responsibility, safety and achievement skills. Wednesdays 4/19; 4/26; 5/3; 5/10; 5/17; 5/24 ~ 3:15 - 4:15 pm @ Woodside Intermediate School. Fee: \$40. (Instructor: Kelly Cronin)



Crocheting & Knitting: Boys and Girls learn to Crochet and Knit, building fine motor skills, self-esteem and have fun while learning a hobby to enjoy throughout their lives. Mondays 3/27; 4/3; 4/17; 4/24; 5/1; 5/8; 5/15; 5/22. 3:15 - 4:45 pm ~ @ W.I.S. 'Dock & Dine' Room. (Registration required/ Material Fee = \$35. ~ Limit 10 Students; Instructors: Karen Koshinsky, Marie Kluza, & Ann Hale)



Internet Safety Concepts: A resource assembly to help people empower themselves to make smart online choices. designed to heighten the students awareness of potential dangers while still focusing on the positive aspects of technology. Instructor: Scott Driscoll, Law Enforcement Officer, Educator and Parent. Wednesday, May 3, 2017; 9:20 - 10:20 @ Cromwell Middle School auditorium



Summer Basket Weaving: Follow directions, learn patience, and develop fine motor skills through Basket Weaving. July 13th, 10:00 am - 12:00 noon in Activity Room @ Town Hall ~ Registration required ~ \$25/per Student fee for Materials ~ Limit 12 Students. (Instructor: Pat Woronoff)



Babysitter Safety Training: Weeklong Summer Session ~ Intense sitter training course that is appropriate for babysitters, big brothers and sisters and children staying home alone. Using team approach to teaching, this course offers several advantages because each person who is teaching, is also working on the "frontlines" of his or her field. The information is up to date and relevant to community needs. Topic covered include responsibilities, safety 911 response, smoke and fire, nutrition, first aid and child care. C.P.R. introduction provided by Cromwell Fire Dept. E.M.S. Intro and overview of emergency medical response and cardio pulmonary resuscitation. (Follow up class for certification recommended for all babysitters and child care providers.) Limit 15 students; \$40./student; Advance registration one week prior to program; 12 noon to 3:00pm @ Date & Location TBA



Cromwell Youth Services Department in conjunction with the Cromwell Human Services Department is accepting pre-registration for our **2017 Back-To-School Program**. Each year, with the assistance of the Salvation Army, local Civic Organizations, Businesses, and residents, we are able to provide backpacks and payless shoe vouchers to many of our low-income families. Back-To-School Program is strictly for pre-school through high school aged children who are Cromwell residents. *Deadline to register is August 1, 2017. If you are interested in donating to the Back-To-School Program, we are in need of school supplies for all ages and low-denomination gift cards (Wal-Mart or Stop & Shop) for our clients. These items can be dropped off any time prior to August 10th @ Cromwell Youth Services Office, Town Hall @ 41 West Street, Cromwell 8:30 - 4:00 pm. **Thank you for Caring!**



Service YOUTH DEVELOPMENT/COMMUNITY SERVICE: Positive Youth Development refers to intentional efforts of youth, adults, communities, government agencies and schools to provide opportunities for youth to enhance their interests, skills, and abilities. PYD is used in scientific literature and by practitioners who work with youth to refer to programs designed to optimize developmental progress. When someone performs an action which benefits his or her community, it is known as community service. Community service is a vital part of many small communities. Getting involved in your community makes it healthier and livelier, and numerous organizations around the world support community service activities.



YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE: Cromwell Youth Services is a not-for-profit, tax-exempt, charitable organization. We are deeply indebted to individual donors for their financial assistance and support. If you are interested in making a financial donation, please contact us. Invest in the future of our Cromwell Youth.



Everyone has a talent to share, it might be gardening, cooking, yoga, painting, woodworking, photography, fiber arts, or scrap booking. We are always looking for volunteers to share their talent with the youth in our community. Maybe your talent is writing... we are researching grant opportunities. United we can make a difference.



Youth Services Bureau Advisory Board: Board mandated by state statute and constructed via city ordinance made of community members and key sector appointments that help guide the YSB in addressing community issues related to youth and families. Monthly meeting on Monday evening ~ Join us!



Our vision is to be the leader in bringing partners and resources together to address the root causes of social problems in Middlesex County, and to promote the growth of vibrant, inclusive communities where inspired, caring people and organizations provide opportunity and support for all.
www.middlesexunitedway.org



2-1-1 is Connecticut's free information and referral service. Simply by dialing 2-1-1, a toll-free number throughout Connecticut, callers can reach knowledgeable, multilingual staff and get information, referrals or seek help in a crisis. 2-1-1 operates 24 hours a day, every day of the year.
www.infoline.org

For additional information, please refer to our website.



www.cromwellct.com ~ click on Town Departments ~ click on Youth Services

All students need to pre register for these programs with checks payable to:

Cromwell Youth Services - Mail to Cromwell Youth Services, Attention: Ann Hale © Town Hall,
41 West Street, Cromwell, CT 06416 - (860) 632-3448 email: ahale@cromwellct.com

*Spaces are limited...please respond as soon as possible to secure a space for your youth.

Fee due at time of registration, please. *Financial assistance available for program participation to those qualified.

Community Support and Services

Substance Abuse:

Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (DMHAS) 1-800-563-4086

CT Crisis Services 1-800-563-4086

The Way Back www.thewayback-ct.com 860-788-3541

Partnership for Drug Free Kids www.drugfree.org 1-855-378-4373

SAMHSA Treatment Finder www.findtreatment.samhsa.org

Behavioral Health:

Middlesex Hospital Center for Behavioral Health 860-358-6000

Mobil Crisis Team for children and youth: dial 211

Mobil Crisis Team for adults: 860-793-3588

Victim Services:

Domestic Violence Hotline 1-888-774-2900

Sexual Assault Hotline 1-800-786-2929

CT Justice Dept. Office for Victim Services 860-263-2760

Family Abuse:

Child Abuse 1-800-842-2288

Domestic Violence 1-888-774-2900 Elder Abuse 1-888-385-4225 After hours dial 211

Hot Lines:

Domestic Violence Hotline 1-888-774-2900

Suicide Prevention Hotline 1-800-237-8255

Sexual Assault Hotline 1-800-786-2929

The Trevor Project LGBTQ Lifeline 1-866-488-7386

Information and Referrals:

CT United Way INFO LINE dial 211

Teen Crisis TEXT: START to 741-741

Support Groups:

Narcotics Anonymous www.ctna.org

Alcoholics Anonymous 860-267-3857

AI Anon al-anon.org 1-888-425-2666

AI Ateen al-anon.org 1-888-425-2666

Gamblers Anonymous 1-800-522-4700

Compassionate Friends (Loss of a child) 1-877-969-0010