

Good afternoon,

Please see below for information and resources related to your work with older youth.

- Bridge to Independence: Legal Concepts to Support Older Youth Webinar
https://www.pacwrc.pitt.edu/Webinars/Webinars_BridgeIndependenceLegalConceptsSupportOlderYouth.htm
- YAB Resource: Check This Out <https://www.payab.pitt.edu/files/CheckThisOutPoster.pdf>
- PHEAA Resources
- Legal Rights of Immigrant Students in Pennsylvania Schools
- Youth in Care Transitioning to College: Financial and Transition Support
- How to Find Volunteer Opportunities to Meet SNAP Requirements

YAB Resource:

A few years ago, the PA Youth Advisory Board developed a powerful resource specifically designed to help foster youth understand their options for remaining in care beyond age 18. The **“Check This Out”** poster breaks down, in a simple and engaging way, the eligibility requirements and the many benefits of extended foster care, making it easier for young people to make informed decisions about their futures. Whether you work directly with youth or simply want to help young people stay aware of their rights and opportunities, this is an easy, shareable resource that’s well worth passing along.

 View the poster here: <https://www.payab.pitt.edu/files/CheckThisOutPoster.pdf>

PHEAA Resources:

FAFSA Overview – Line by Line

On Wednesday March 11, 2026, at 6:00 PM, PHEAA Access Partners will present an overview of the 2026-27 FAFSA process to guide students and families through a step-by-step process of filing the FAFSA and PA State Grant applications. Register at pheaa.org/virtual.

Understanding and Comparing Financial Aid Offers

On Wednesday March 18, 2026, at 6:00 PM, PHEAA Access Partners will present information on the steps students should take after completing the FAFSA. They will discuss the financial aid process, strategies to review and understand financial aid offers from colleges, and how to compare different types of aid. Register at pheaa.org/virtual.

Legal Rights of Immigrant Students in Pennsylvania Schools:

CSC Spotlight

Legal Rights of Immigrant Students in Pennsylvania Schools

[Recorded January 2026] Receive a legal overview and best practices to create a school environment that respects the rights of immigrant students, and an update on the status of national legal challenges that could impact schools serving immigrant students. In January 2025, the U.S. government rescinded the longstanding “Sensitive Locations” policy, which has resulted in disruptions at schools. We will cover immigrant students’ rights in enrollment, attendance, non-discrimination, Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) protections, and warrant requirements for U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) at schools. We will review a model Welcoming Schools policy and protocol.

Watch "Legal Rights of Immigrant Students."

Youth in Care Transitioning to College: Financial and Transition Support:



YOUTH IN CARE TRANSITIONING TO COLLEGE: FINANCIAL AND TRANSITION SUPPORT

Join us for an important webinar on how youth in foster care can get a post-secondary education tuition free and how you can support them during the critical transition period between high school and college.

Information provided will include:

- PA Tuition Waiver (FosterED)
- Chafee grant
- Pre-college supports
- Campus supports



THURSDAY, MARCH 26TH
11am- 12pm
12pm - 12:30pm Optional Q&A

REGISTER HERE

Webinar Announcement!**Youth In Care Transitioning to College:
Financial and Transition Support****Thursday, March 26, 2026
11:00am - 12:30pm**

Join us for an important webinar on how youth in care can get a post-secondary education tuition free and how you can support them during the critical transition period between high school and college.

Information will be provided on what college entitlements are available including the PA Tuition Waiver (FosterED) and the CHAFEE grant as well as what supports are available to youth before they enter college and while they are enrolled to help them be successful on their education journeys.

This event is great for youth in care (grades 9th – 12th), resource parents, and anyone who supports or works with foster youth. For registration information, please see the attached flyer. Feel free to pass this information on to anyone who might be interested. We hope to see you on March 26th.

REGISTER NOW

Contact: Sarah Wasch, Associate Director
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Research
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**How to Find Volunteer Opportunities to Meet SNAP Requirements**

To help SNAP applicants and recipients meet new federal work requirements, the PA Department of Human Services has posted a new video to our YouTube channel. The video explains how to use PA Navigate to find local volunteer opportunities.

Forwarded this email? [Subscribe here](#) for more



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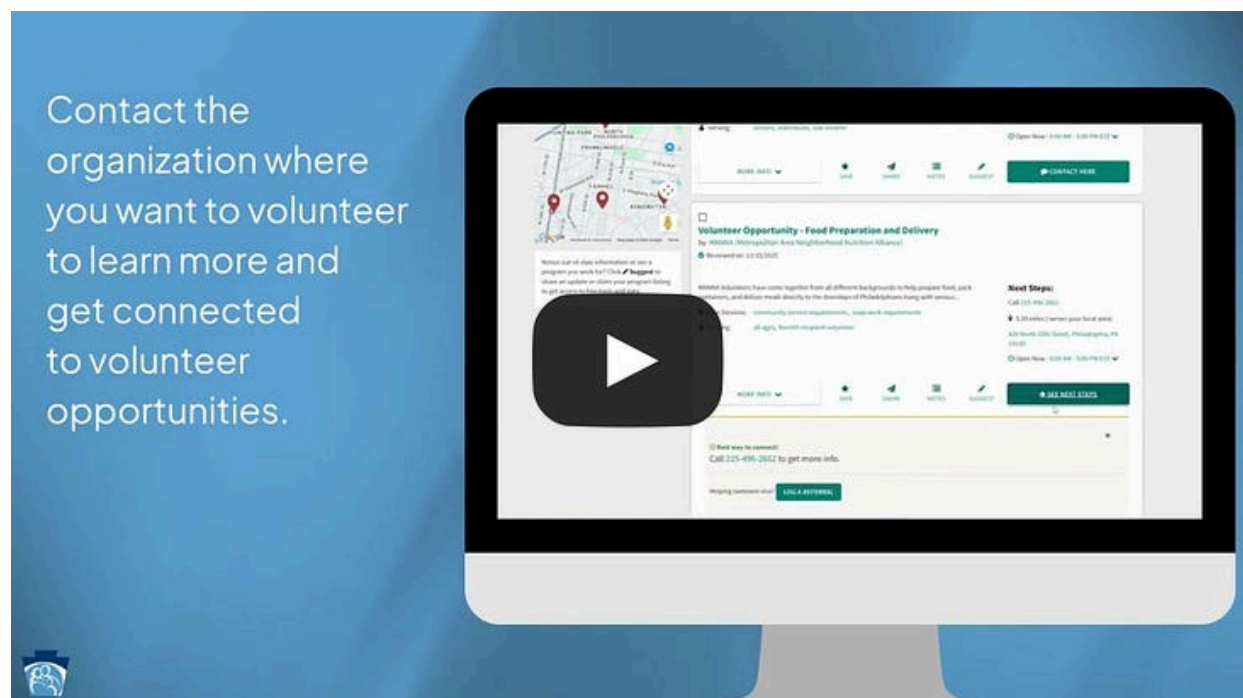
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To help SNAP applicants and recipients meet new federal work requirements, the PA Department of Human Services has posted [a new video](#) to our [YouTube channel](#). The video explains how to use [PA Navigate](#) to find local volunteer opportunities.

Please [share this video](#) with SNAP recipients to help them meet the new federal requirements.



[PA Navigate](#) is a website that connects Pennsylvanians with social services in their communities. Find help with food, utilities, financial assistance, child care, transportation, and more by visiting [pa-navigate.org](#) and entering your zip code to find services in your area.

Why Volunteer Opportunities Matter

Changes to federal law require that some individuals wanting to keep or become eligible for SNAP benefits must meet work requirements that include working, volunteering, and/or participating in an education or training program for at least 20 hours a week (or 80 hours each month) AND reporting that they are meeting these requirements.

Learn more at [dhs.pa.gov/work](#).

If SNAP recipients have questions about how to report work, education, training, or volunteer activities, they can talk with a caseworker at DHS' [County Assistance Office](#) or call the Customer Service Center at 877-395-8930 (or 215-560-7226 for

people living in Philadelphia).

Listing Volunteer Opportunities on PA Navigate

Nonprofit and community-based organizations that would like to list volunteer opportunities on PA Navigate can email panavigate@thecaap.org. A Community Engagement Manager will help add volunteer opportunities to the platform and ensure programs are listed and tagged accurately so individuals can easily find volunteer offerings.

For additional resources or questions, visit panavigatehelp.org or email: panavigate@thecaap.org.

Social Media Post to Share

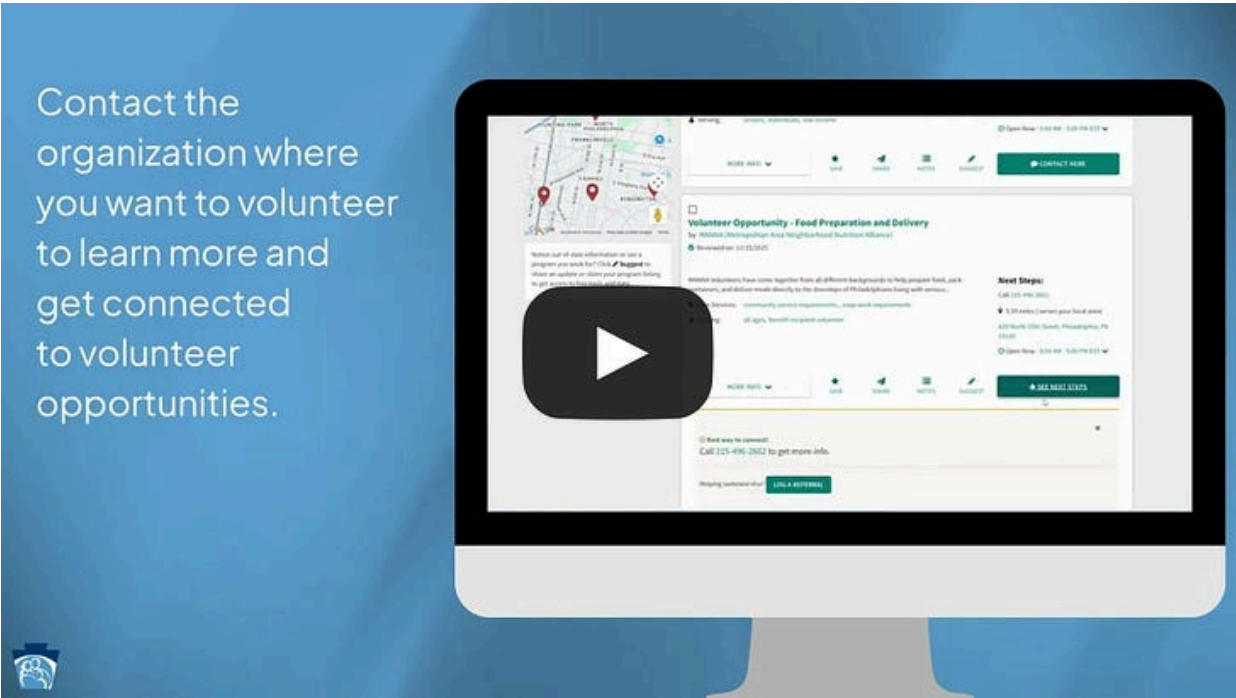
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Post Text:

Did you know? PA Navigate connects Pennsylvanians with volunteer opportunities and more! Find volunteer opportunities to help meet your SNAP work requirements by entering your zip code at pa-navigate.org and searching “volunteer opportunities.”

Watch this video to learn more:



AltText:

PA Navigate Connects Pennsylvanians with Volunteer Opportunities and More! SNAP Recipients: Find volunteer opportunities to help meet your work requirements on PA Navigate! Nonprofits and CBOs: List your volunteer opportunities on PA Navigate! Enter your zip code at pa-navigate.org to get started today! Nonprofit and community-based organizations that would like to list volunteer opportunities can email panavigate@thecaap.org. Graphic over teal, blue, and purple gradient background with images of food shopping, volunteering, and the PA Navigate logo.

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Have a great weekend.

Thank you,

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