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## June 2023 Newsletter

Hello Gene,

The name Gateway Community Action Partnership reflects our expanded coverage area, but more importantly, it signifies what we are all about. We are a gateway to success for individuals and families in our community and we achieve those results through actions done in partnership within that very community we serve. So please take a minute to read our newsletter and learn more about Gateway Community Action Partnership and our impact in our communities.

### Agency Mission And CAP Promise

The agency's mission is to provide services that improve the quality of life and promote self-sufficiency.

**CAP Promise:** Community Action changes people's lives, embodies the spirit of hope, improves communities, and makes America a better place to live. We care about the entire community, and we are dedicated to helping people help themselves and each other.

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### The Community Gives Back On Southeast Gateway's Family Day Of Service

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The Bridgeton community came together with the Southeast Gateway Neighborhood Revitalization Program for Family Day of Service on June 3 in an effort to beautify the Triangle Pocket Park across from the Alms Center. Volunteers cleaned, painted, and planted in the park, creating a safe and beautiful area for residents to enjoy. Southeast Gateway coordinators, Esaul Martin and Cassandra Avila expressed thanks to community partners such as United Advocacy Group for hosting the group, as well as to Stronger Families and the American Littoral Society for their collaboration. Avila shared her thoughts on the Southeast Gateway Facebook page, writing, "It's inspiring to partner with organizations that share our passion for community empowerment and positive change." Click the button below to learn more about the Southeast Gateway Revitalization Program.

[Learn More](#)

## Gateway Takes Part In Paulsboro Juneteenth Event

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Gateway CAP staff, including Executive Vice President and COO Ed Bethea, Kyana Evans, and Carole Green, attended a Juneteenth Celebration on June 17 in Paulsboro along with Councilman Theodore Holloway and staff members from the Gloucester LRAP Program and Gloucester Social Services.

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## Jinnea Terrell Of Gateway CAP Interviewed By CBS News At Philadelphia Job Fair

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Staff from Gateway's Head Start in Philadelphia attended a large-scale job fair hosted annually by Temple University. A variety of agencies and resources were represented. Jinnea Terrell, Carolyn Robinson, Esperliss Melo, and Desarae Smalls of Gateway's Early Head Start in Philadelphia were interviewed for a segment appearing on CBS News. Jinnea's interview can also be found in the following article from CBS.

[Find The Article Here](#)

## River's Edge Head Start Hosts End Of Year Celebration For Head Start Families



Gateway's River's Edge Early Learning Center hosted a successful step-up day for the children at their End-of-Year Celebration on June 7. Proud parents were in attendance to witness their young "stars" take steps toward their bright futures. The event occurred in the River's Edge Parking Lot at Gateway's main office on 110 Cohansey Street in Bridgeton. Among the many vendors who attended the organized event were Atlantic City Electric and South Jersey Gas which offered information on energy assistance, Quality Care Resource & Referral Services for literacy, and other youth programs. Attendees were able to learn about health and wellness from our Gateway CAP Wellness Center, the Cumberland County Health Department, Acenda, and Medical Essential Diagnostics. The event also provided engaging activities for children and families alike, which left attendees feeling informed and inspired. Additionally, A&P Petting Zoo & Pony Rides provided educational benefits, teaching the attendees about animal care and responsibility while allowing them to interact with goats, pigs, and rabbits, among other animals.

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## Twin Rivers Head Start Holds Red Carpet Celebration

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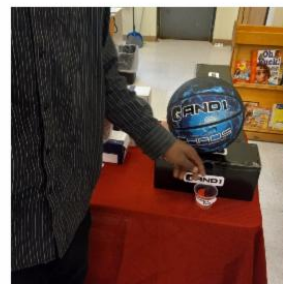


**Twin Rivers Head Start celebrated the end of the school year with a red carpet. The children had the chance to show off their stylish outfits like Hollywood stars!**

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## **Fathers Celebrated At Greater Bridgeton Family Success Center**

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The Gateway's Family Success Center held a luncheon celebrating Father's Day on June 15.

A diverse group of fathers from the Southeast community attended the event and were warmly welcomed by Mae Woodley, Program Lead for the Greater Bridgeton Family Success Center and Natalia Colon, Bi-lingual Family Partner Worker.

At the event, there was a silent raffle of football and basketball memorabilia and other prizes, all elegantly displayed for guests to peruse and place their tickets on their preferred items.

The fathers enjoyed a delicious meal and were entertained with highlights from exciting football games. "I will always support these events that Ms. Mae organizes, as they bring the community together," said Dino Street, one of the enthused attendees at the luncheon.

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**Join Us For Our 36th Anniversary Gala This November**

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Gateway Community Action Partnership is hosting our 36<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Gala on Thursday, November 9, 2023 at Caesars Hotel and Casino in Atlantic City, NJ. We hope you will be part of this year's celebration!

For information on ticket purchases, please contact Kyana Evans at (856) 497-6655.

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## **Twin Rivers Head Start Visits Thompson Park Petting Zoo**

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Children from Twin Rivers Head Start had fun at the Thompson Park Petting Zoo, where they had the chance to feed animals and play with their peers in the park.

## Twin Rivers Students Make A Splash On Water Day



Twin Rivers Head Start held a water day at the center's playground for children to cool off while enjoying time outdoors.

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## Gateway Gives Children A Head Start In Early Education

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Head Start students work hard each school year to prepare portfolios that will get them ready for kindergarten.

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## Salem Family Success Center Participates In NJ First Lady Tammy Murphy's Salem Family Festival

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**Gateway's Salem Family Success Center participated as a vendor at the Salem Family Festival that was thrown by New Jersey First Lady Tammy Murphy's office. Pictured above: Salem Family Success Center staff and volunteers with New Jersey First Lady Tammy Murphy.**

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## **Gateway To Host Women's Health Fair in Penns Grove**

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Head Start/Early Head Start

# WOMEN'S HEALTH FAIR

11 N. Broad Street,  
Penns Grove, NJ 08069

**Rescheduled**  
**Thursday, June 22**

**July 27**

**10am - 2pm**

Health Vendors  
Doula Resources  
Yoga & Wellness  
Refreshments  
Prizes

Translation services provided

For more information, contact Dionne Pitts:  
(856) 351-0268 (office) or (856) 275-4080 (cell)

[www.gatewaycap.org/headstart](http://www.gatewaycap.org/headstart)

**Advocate for the health of you and your family**

Gateway's Head Start/Early Head Start program is hosting a Women's Health Fair in Penns Grove. Due to inclement weather, the event has been rescheduled for Thursday, July 27, from 10:00am to 2:00pm. See the flier for more information and contact the number listed with any questions!



## Welcome to Gateway CAP's New Hires!

**Patricia Stickles, Wellness Mental Health Advocate**  
**Ophir Frazier, Wellness Mental Health Advocate**  
**Jacqueline Holmes, Wellness Mental Health Advocate**  
**Anne Revilla, HS Teacher Assistant**  
**Adriana Acosta Arias, Sub Teachers Assistant**

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