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Over three thousand Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) applications have been processed from households in NEICAC's service area, since October 1st.



Housing Program

Our Calmar Apartments are available for rent! Contact Julie at 563-379-2841 for an application.



Early Childhood Programs

With Spring just around the corner, classrooms are busy planning for Fall 2025 with registrations for perspective families seeking to have their son or daughter join Head Start in the Fall, as a 3- or 4-year-old. Head Start offers full day programming, Monday – Friday, 2 meals and a snack which are CACFP approved, health lessons, mental health lessons, and follow the state approved Creative Curriculum. Children are provided opportunity to make new friends and be creative diving into paints, playdough, song, dance, and the most fun, **OUTDOOR PLAY!** Let your friends and family know that Head Start is where it is for 3 & 4 year olds. Contact any Family Service Office or check out the online app at NEICAC.org.

What FaDSS Participants Say!

"(My Specialist) is great! She's resourceful, positive, understanding, and honestly a genuine blessing"

"I feel supported and seen"

"She always listens and guides us in the right direction. We are so fortunate to have (our Specialist)."



"(My Specialist) has been really great and supportive and so helpful, always there when I need her or help with anything."

"I like working with my FaDSS worker on new parenting skills and different behavior skills"

WHAT'S UP IN WEATHERIZATION?



Mild weather in February contributed to a busy month for Weatherization. Eight homes were completed with a total draw down in funds of approximately \$174,000. Four homes were Readiness homes that needed additional work completed such as asbestos removal, new roofs, and electrical upgrades. Inspectors and crew members underwent comprehensive training and received compliments about our program from the trainers.

EARL PUBLIC TRANSIT

In the month of February, Transit completed 5,017 trips including 38,283 passenger miles. Transit's Drivers had 96.5% on time performance! 35 new customers were welcomed and 186 additional riders were transported.



OUTREACH & FAMILY SERVICES IN FEBRUARY

14,874

In the month of February, NEICAC's food pantries distributed nearly 15,000 pounds of food and non-food items to 209 households comprised of 473 individuals in Bremer, Howard, & Winneshiek Food Pantries.

\$6,479

In February, nearly \$6500 in Crisis Assistance was provided to assist with drinking water, transportation, mileage, mortgage, rent, and car repairs.

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Family Services Specialists provided 111 referrals and completed 60 Head Start applications for next school year.



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