



Project LIFE

A partnership of UMFS with and funded by VDSS

Piedmont Region IL Calendar February 2012

Project LIFE Referral Form

Project LIFE consultants are available to meet with youth in small groups or individually to educate them on a variety of topics related to Independent Living. To make a referral, [complete this form](#).

Calendar

Super Saturday

Individuals can receive free assistance on completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

Saturday, February 4, 2012:

- Charlottesville High School, Charlottesville
- Central Virginia Community College, Lynchburg
- Historic Henry County Courthouse, Martinsville
- Hollins University, Roanoke
- Virginia Western Community College, Roanoke

Saturday, February 11, 2012:

- Randolph Henry High School, Charlotte Court House
- George Washington High School, Danville
- Franklin Center, Rocky Mount

Visit www.vasfaa.org to learn more.

IL Coalition Meeting: Lynchburg

Monday, February 6, 2012

2:30 - 4:30pm

Lynchburg Community Services Board
2215 Langhorne Road, Lynchburg, VA 24501

This meeting is open to public and private providers, youth and other community stakeholders in Lynchburg, Appomattox, Bedford, Campbell, and Amherst.

For more information or to RSVP, contact Tabatha Roberston at (434) 948-4810.

Community IL Workshops

Monday nights, February 6 - April 16, 2012

7 - 9pm

Honeywood Apartments
3109-C Honeywood Lane, Roanoke, VA 24018

Workshops are being offered by Braley & Thompson's IL Program for \$250 for 10-week course or \$25 per class.

Send referrals to Laura Hutchison at (540) 725-2025 or Lhutchison@rescare.com.

Youth Council Meeting

Tuesday, February 7, 2012

5 - 7pm

Grace Free Evangelical Church
21129 Timberlake Road, Lynchburg, VA 24502

Youth Council meetings are open to older youth in care ages 14-20.

For more information or to RSVP, contact Leah Hatcher at Lhatcher@umfs.org.

Mentor and Mentee Enrollment Social for GoodGuides Youth Mentoring Program

Tuesday, February 7, 2012

6 - 7:30pm

Goodwill Industries of the Valleys
2502 Melrose Avenue, Roanoke, VA 24017

This event is free to youth needing mentors and adults wishing to become mentors.

For more information or to RSVP, contact Nicole Page at (540) 494-2842.

IL Workshop: Focus on Taxes and FAFSA

Saturday, February 11, 2012

11am - 2pm

Franklin Center
50 Clairborne Avenue, Rocky Mount, VA 24151

For more information or to RSVP, contact Tiffany Reynolds at (540) 483-6856 or

Tiffany.Reynolds@dss.virginia.gov.

Piedmont Region Independent Living Committee

Wednesday, February 15, 2012

10am - 12pm

Lynchburg Department of Social Services

99 9th Street, Lynchburg, VA 24505

For more information or to RSVP, contact Nicole Byrd at Nicole.byrd@lynchburgva.gov.

Ladder to Independence Workshop

Monday, February 20, 2012

12 - 3pm

Southern Virginia Higher Education Center

820 Bruce Street, South Boston, VA 24592

Youth ages 14-20 are invited to learn about the independent living program and community resources. This event is the first in a series, click on the [flyer](#) to learn about future events.

For more information or to RSVP, contact Leah Hatcher at Lhatcher@umfs.org.

Register [here](#).

IL Coalition Meeting: Roanoke

Tuesday, February 28, 2012

Location: TBD, Roanoke, VA

2:30 - 3:30pm

This meeting is open to public and private providers, youth and other community stakeholders in Roanoke County, Roanoke City, Botetourt, Craig, and Alleghany.

For more information or to RSVP, contact Leah Hatcher at Lhatcher@umfs.org.

Financial Aid 101

Wednesday, February 29, 2012

10 - 11am

Virginia Western Community College, Natural Science Center

3095 Colonial Avenue, Roanoke, VA 24018

Social workers and private providers are invited to attend. Chad Sartini, Coordinator for Financial Aid, will provide information on the financial aid process at the community college.

For more information or to RSVP, contact Leah Hatcher at Lhatcher@umfs.org.

Register [here](#) by February 27.

IL Coalition Meeting: Waynesboro

Thursday, March 8, 2012

4:30 - 5:30pm

Waynesboro Church of Christ

227 Bookerdale Road, Waynesboro, VA 22980

This meeting is open to public and private providers, youth and other community stakeholders in Augusta County, Albemarle County, Charlottesville, Bath, Nelson, Highland, and Rockbridge County.

For more information or to RSVP, contact Leah Hatcher at Lhatcher@umfs.org.

Youth Council Meeting

Tuesday, March 13, 2012

5 - 7pm

Trinity United Methodist Church

305 Mountain Avenue, SW Roanoke, VA 24016

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For more information or to RSVP, contact Leah Hatcher at Lhatcher@umfs.org.

IL Coalition Meeting: Halifax

Tuesday, March 6, 2012

12 - 2pm

Italian Delight

3130 Halifax Road, South Boston, VA 24592

This meeting is open to public and private providers, youth and other community stakeholders in Halifax, Mecklenburg, and Charlotte County.

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Real World

Thursday, April 12, 2012

Heritage Baptist Church

219 Breezewood Drive, Lynchburg, VA 24502

The Real World committee is seeking donations and volunteers.

For more information, contact Jennifer Hooper at (540) 586-7750, ext. 2257.

Click [here](#) for the registration form, click [here](#) for the emergency contact form. Registration forms are due February 17.

Family Academy 2012

Saturday, April 28, 2012

Central Virginia Community College, Lynchburg, VA

A collaborative event with Project LIFE, CRAFFT, FACES, and One Church, One Child. This event is open to youth and resource parents.

Visit www.facesofvirginia.org/families for more information.

Supervised Apartment Program Openings

YouthQuest has openings at the Garst Mill site in Roanoke. To make a referral, contact Tracy Brakas at (540) 293-5904.

Braley & Thompson is accepting referrals for apartments in Roanoke. One bedroom apartment with washer and dryer is move-in ready. Referrals are also being accepted for supervised visitation, \$60/hour. To make a referral, contact Laura Hutchison at (540) 725-2025.

Hall Mentoring Services in Roanoke has 2 independent living apartments available in Roanoke City on the bus route. To make a referral, contact Jenny Roberts at Jennyroberts.HCS@gmail.com.

Project LIFE is a partnership between the Virginia Department of Social Services and UMFS. Project LIFE's goal is to support permanency for older youth through coordination and enhancement of independent living services to youth in and transitioning out of care by creatively collaborating with local departments of social services, private providers, and community stakeholders. Project LIFE is funded by the Virginia Department of Social Services.

Contact Information

*Please send notices of upcoming events and activities for future monthly calendars.
Submissions and feedback are welcomed and encouraged.*

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