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NEWSLETTER December 6, 2022

Upcoming Events

- **December 7th**, Health Navigators Lovette Memorial Library, Pampa, TX, 11-4 pm
- **December 10th**, Navigators PASO, Amarillo 10-3
- **December 10th**, Staff Christmas Party 6pm
- **December 17th**, Health Navigators & EITC at Southwest Branch Library 11:30 till 3
- **December 17th**, Northside Toy Drive, Palo Duro High School, Amarillo, TX, 1-4 pm
- **December 23—26th** Closed for Christmas
- **December 27th**, CEAP Cluster Mtg.
- **January 7th**, Health Navigators & EITC at Northeast Branch Library 11:30 till 3
- **January 14th**, Health Navigators & EITC at Southwest Branch Library 11:30 till 3



Festival of Trees

was a great success. Thank you to our premiere sponsor, Chicago Title and our

Committee Chair, Cheryl Malcolm for all your contributions to our Eighth Annual Festival of Trees. Funds raised help PCS clients who have extenuating needs that fall outside of the restrictions from grants we generally facilitate. Great job!



Committee Chair, Cheryl Malcolm, pulled out all the stops for an amazing event.



Extra thankful for this set-up crew of staff members from PCS and a group from Sigma Nu Fraternity.

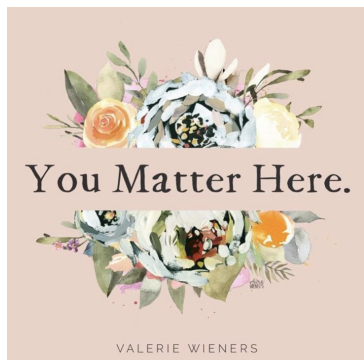


Our Partner, Excel Machinery, was nominated for our People's Choice Award for the tree they decorated for our event called Candy Cane Wishes and Mistletoe Kisses. Congrats! Your tree was beautiful.

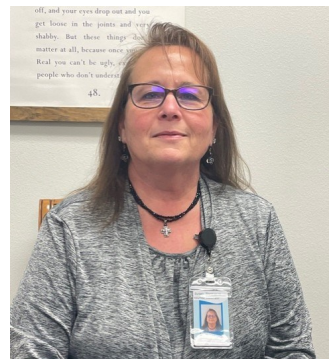


Groups of students made a significant impact on our Festival of Trees event. A group of students from Bushland Highschool decorated the upside down tree on the left.





Welcome Susan Thomason our new Volunteer Coordinator with the RSVP Program. Susan has spent a lot of time with volunteers and in marketing through Hospice, BSA and other organizations. She has been married to James for 41 years. They have a dog named Liberty Bell who was a rescue from a bad situation. Recently, she says, Liberty Bell's picture was featured on the news channel 10. Welcome Susan.



The Hendrix shared their story of receiving help from PCS through a rough patch and receiving a life changing machine for their son. Click here for the full story and video. [\(39\) PCS Festival of Trees 2022 - YouTube](#)



Recently our CEAP (Comprehensive Energy Assistance Program) staff were scheduled to ride on Panhandle Community Services buses throughout the Panhandle to meet clients, interact with our bus drivers and gain a better understanding of our clients, especially their participation on our transit system.

Alma, our Program Specialist from Dumas, shared that she met client "S" on a recent bus ride. David, the bus driver told Alma it had been complicated to communicate with "S" because of a language barrier. Alma speaks Spanish and was able to have a conversation with her. She stated she was behind on her rent and bills. She has five children, ages 1, 2, 5, 9 and 11. "S" is working but because the children had a lot of illness she lost her job. She did find a new job and recently started working there. She is currently trying to catch up on bills because of all the transitions. She doesn't have transportation and has to pay someone to take kids to school, she walks to take one child to Intermediate School. We were able to refer "S" to a local food pantry and our Hygiene Closet. We are currently working towards helping her with a water bill.



Program Specialists, Leticia and Cassandra rode a PCS bus last week.