City Response- Check on U and Family Support Programs

As I'm sure you've seen, the City of Lawrence has focused on caring for our employees to ensure that they can best care for our community. We have taken a few new steps forward in this endeavor, and we hope you'll find these new programs incredibly helpful as you navigate the coming weeks of the pandemic response. From providing essential services to our workers to lending an ear and a quick "how are you"; these programs are designed to help us stay connected with each other and provide resources for those in need.

Family Support Program

Ryan Cloud (Eagle Bend Golf Course) is leading the Family Support Program, which is a grocery pick-up service for current and retired City staff. Participation information on the program can be found on the <u>informational flyer</u>, and contact information for volunteering for the program on the <u>volunteer flyer</u>. Send any questions to Ryan at <u>rcloud@lawrenceks.org</u>.

Check on U Program

Kristy Webb (Utility Billing) is leading the Check On U Program. During these strange times, even a voice to talk to or someone reaching out to check on individuals and say "thanks" can make a big difference. This program will take this premise and scale it to have a much more significant impact, and provide opportunities to connect people with resources they may not know are out there. This program will contact current city staff that are not able to work due to COVID-19, as well as retired city staff, to see how they are doing and identify if there are resources with which they can be connected. To get more information or to help with the program, reach out to Kristy at kwebb@lawrenceks.org.

As always, stay safe, and thank you for everything you continue to do to help our community. You are making a difference!

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