

Asotin County Community Services

Serving the Lewis-Clark Valley Since 1973

All people living, working, learning and playing in a community that values diversity before labels and strengths before barriers.

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Asotin County Community Services is working with Washington and Idaho's Division of Vocational Rehabilitation to provide work readiness training and paid work experiences for local high school students with disabilities. Students learn about "soft skills" that will help make them better workers, such as communicating appropriately with others, problem-solving, and taking initiative to get tasks done. After they complete the class, students will be able to test out their newly learned skills at a number of worksites in the LC Valley.

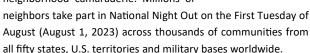
The following businesses contributed snacks to students while they attended training in June to prepare for the paid work experience:

- Darci Nelly with Big Country 977
- Donald Montgomery with Waddell and Reed Financial Advisors
- Mary Schneider with Center Well Home Health
- TJ Flodin with Flodin Construction
- Korene Choate with Gentivah Hospice

If would like to host a student at your agency or business, please contact Eric, Beth or Michelle at 509-758-8349. Wages are covered by Asotin County through grants from Idaho and Washington, and insurance is provided for students by Asotin County.

National Night Out

National Night Out is an annual community-building campaign that promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie. Millions of



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National night out is designed to:

- Heighten crime and drug prevention awareness
- Generate support for, and participate in, local anti-crime programs
- Strengthen neighborhood spirit and police-community partnerships
- Send a message to criminals letting them know that neighborhoods are organized and fighting back

Locally, Lewis-Clark Valley businesses and agencies gather at Beachview Park in Clarkston to set up exhibits featuring food, games, live music, and prizes to encourage families to attend. This is a great opportunity to bring police and neighbors together under positive circumstances.

LOOK OUT! Asotin County for a new hand painted mural depicting the culture and diversity of Clarkston citizens as they walk safely through a crosswalk. Funded by a grant from the WA Traffic Safety Commission, we're very proud of the great work rendered by Jeff Karlin to celebrate pedestrian safety on the Asotin County Community Services corner of the Valley Community Center.

"Believe you can and you're halfway there."