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WARM CHOICE
Last year our HWAP team
went above and beyond for
the Warm Choice program.
They ended 2024 with 29
completed units, meeting
116% of the 25 unit goal.
Thank you for your hard work
and congratulations on a
great year!

NEW EMPLOYEE

Charles Poole started as a maintenance worker on January 13th. Welcome Charles, we are happy to have you here!

EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT

Congratulations to Terry Hennen for an incredible milestone of 30 years of service to the CAC! We are grateful for your dedication and expertise that continues to support the success of the agency.

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

- Tod Miller Feb 1
- James Fuit- Feb 9
- Brittany Bliss-Feb 9

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- Directors meeting- Feb 6
- Presidents Day- Feb 17 (paid holiday- cac closed)

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THE GRIT PROJECT

GRIT: (Growing Rural Independence Together) is the flagship project under Future Plans, a non-profit organization dedicated to boosting economic growth in the Appalachian Region through in-demand workforce development programs. This is the first year AREA 16 has been eligible to be part of the GRIT Project, and we are excited to do so! It can be used for both youth and adult clients. GRIT funds can be utilized much like WIOA funds, ie. work experience, supportive services. Here at the CAC, we are utilizing the GRIT Project to help serve re-entry clients, offering work experience helps these clients begin to acclimate and build the needed items to be back in society.

The GRIT Project offers both assessment and career coaching as a foundational structure to success. The assessment identifies personal interests, abilities and work values and uses those results to match clients with suitable job opportunities. The coaching is a one-time meeting with a certified coach that will review the client's assessment and help to guide for future exploration in possible training and work opportunities that best match each client.

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