Upcoming: Free Legal Services at the Legal Outreach Clinic

Wednesday, September 13th, Kansas Legal Services will be providing its annual Legal Outreach Clinic with funding from the Shawnee County Advocacy Council on Aging (SCACA). CRC will be hosting the event at the CRC CARE Center at Avondale East. The event starts at 9:00am with a thirty-minute info session. Following that, Kansas Legal Services will be meeting with community members age 60+ about their specific legal concerns and preparing Power of Attorney documents and Living Wills for free! The attorneys can also provide legal advice about probate, collection, family law, and civil matters. Assistance is provided on a first come, first served basis. For more information, contact Nicole Kitzman at Kansas Legal Services, (785) 354-8531.

Kansas’ New ID Cards and Driving Licenses

The State of Kansas has begun to issue new Identification Cards and Driver’s Licenses with a completely new design and added security features. The Kansas State Capitol Building and bushel of wheat have been swapped out for a field with tractors and buffalo in front of a large cityscape. Although the skyline isn’t Kansan, the Kansas Department of Revenue has explained that the imagery is inspired from Kansan history; “The four stages moving from foreground to background include pre-European arrival, Westward expansion, Breadbasket of the World, and the Bright Future of Kansas.” The new cards also meet federal security demands, specifically the Real ID Act. The Real ID Act of 2005 is a federal initiative to establish security standards for state-issued ID/DL cards. Ideally, the Act prevents individuals from using fraudulent identification (especially for airport security, but also federal facilities and nuclear power plants). Beginning October 1st, 2020, commercial airport security requires Real ID–compliant DL/ID (or another acceptable form of identification, i.e. passport). The State of Kansas began issuing Real ID cards on August 1st to accommodate licenses expiring before the 2020 deadline. But don’t worry; all valid IDs remain valid for non-flying purposes even after the deadline.

For those unfortunate souls visiting the DMV, you will have the option to opt in for the Real ID cards or choose a non-Real ID card which cannot be used for flying (starting in 2020) or federal purposes. There are no price differences between the IDs. To get a Real ID, you will need to bring proof of your Social Security number AND your official birth certificate or passport.

Hurricane Harvey

As we continue to see affects of Hurricane Harvey throughout the South, such as extreme flooding, damage, and displacement, CRC would like to extend our thoughts and condolences to everyone impacted by the storm. If you would like to make a donation or volunteer, National VOAD (Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster) is a great organization that collaborates with dozens of other organizations and specializes in disaster relief and emergency response. As a member, CRC vouches for the legitimacy and efficiency of National VOAD.

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