

HUMAN SERVICES

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Human Services Division has gone through some reorganization.

- Food Distribution and Emergency Food Pantry have moved under the Food and Agriculture Area of Environmental Land and Agriculture Division.
- The Library has moved under Education and Training Area.
- Vocational Rehabilitation has moved under Economic Support.

We are pleased to announce that you can subscribe to our newsletters!

Simply complete a short registration and select Human Services Division

Newsletter. Every quarter you will get an email with our newsletter attached.

To register, go to <https://oneida-nsn.gov/subscribe/> or scan the QR code:



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02 Oneida Veterans Services Department

The Oneida Veterans Services Department is dedicated to providing quality services and assistance in the delivery of entitlements and benefits due to our Nation's veterans and their families. We accomplish this mission by consistently working to improve our processes for filing paperwork, and by learning about and providing resources for veterans throughout the state of Wisconsin. By working in collaboration with various chartered veterans' associations within Oneida, the Oneida Veterans Services Department provides community outreach in the forms of weekly Friday morning breakfasts and various Pig Roasts and Booyah events throughout the year.]

On October 13th Veterans Services began accepting new/unopened toys for Toys For Tots. The last 2 years have been very successful with over \$7,500 worth of toys purchased from Wal-Mart, as well as countless donations of toys from community members. In continuing with that success, Veterans Services will be partnering with Oneida VFW Post 7784, as well as WIVA to purchase toys from Wal-Mart again this year. On December 12th, we will be joined by Marines from the US Marine Corps Reserve Center, Green Bay as they pick up the donations. Then, join us for Veterans Day when we will be hosting a meal for the community. More details will be provided later. Shortly after that, on November 20th, we gather along with ONVAC, VFW Post 7784, and WIVA as we provide hot dogs, brats, coffee and hot chocolate for the annual tree-lighting celebration. For more information, or if you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to Connor Kestell or Joe Valentino. Or visit: oneida-nsn.gov/divisions/human-services/veteran-services-and-resources/

Hours of Operation:

Monday-Thursday:
7am-4:30pm
Fridays: 6:30am-3pm

Upcoming events:

OCT 13th - DEC 11th | Accepting new/unopened Toys for Tots |
NOV 11th | Veterans Day Meal
NOV 20th | Tree Lighting Celebration
DEC 12th | Donatoin Pick-up

Oneida Nation Child Support Agency | Family Services



GRANDPARENTS *as* Caregivers Circle

DISCUSSION TOPICS:

- Cultural Education
- Technology Education- Screen Time Awareness
- Health & Wellness
- And more!



Incentive available each session



Meal provided

SAFE SPACE TO SHARE LIFE EXPERIENCES, RECEIVE SUPPORT, & CONNECT WITH FELLOW GRANDPARENTS.

1st Session-November 3, 2025 | Last Session-April 6, 2026

**1ST MONDAY (11/3/2025-4/6/2026)
10:00AM-12:00PM**

KA?NIKUHLI-YÓ FAMILY CENTER
2640 WEST POINT RD

OTHER LOCATIONS

CALL KATHLEEN AT 920-490-3707 TO REGISTER

Celebrate a NEW YEAR and a NEW YOU at Oneida Family Fitness!

DETAILS COMING SOON.....

- NEW YEAR'S DAY WORKOUT
- NEW YEAR'S FITNESS CHALLENGE



**NEW YEAR'S DAY HOURS:
8AM - 12PM**

Family Fitness

ONEIDA FAMILY FITNESS

Membership Benefits

- Cardio & Strength Equipment
- Full Court Gymnasium
- Walking Track
- FREE Group Fitness Classes
- FREE Fitness Assessments
- Personal Training
- Martial Art Programs
- Adventure Programs
- Diabetic Programming
- Member Incentive Programs
- Massage Chair
- Pro Shop
- Vending / Juice Bar

Memberships are FREE for ages 13 and older that are Oneida Enrolled, Oneida Descendants, and/or Oneida Employees!

Facility Hours

Monday - Thursday

6am - 7pm

Friday

6am - 6pm

Saturday

7am - 12pm

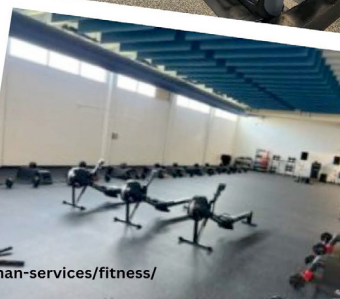
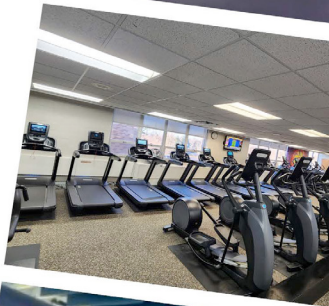
CONTACT US



(920) 490-3730



<https://oneida-nsn.gov/divisions/human-services/fitness/>



**ONEIDA
FAMILY FITNESS**

Holiday Hours

Veterans Day
Tuesday, November 11

6 am - 7 pm

Thanksgiving
Thursday, November 27

CLOSED

Indian Day
Friday, November 28

CLOSED

Saturday, November 29

CLOSED

Christmas Eve
Wednesday, December 24

6 am - 1:30 pm

Christmas
Thursday, December 25

CLOSED

New Year's Eve
Wednesday, December 31

6 am - 4:30 pm

New Year's Day
Thursday, January 1

8 am - 12:00 pm



Tsha'tekohsélha Midwinter

Day One:

-  Kanehelatúksla - Thanksgiving Address/Opening
-  “Inform the minds” - the agenda/what will happen today.
-  Introduction to Ohstowa'kó', the singers and dancers will also be selected 
-  Ohstowa'kó' - Great Feather Dance 3X
-  Inform the people of the next four days.
-  Words of encouragement - Speaker will encourage everyone from the Chiefs to the smallest child to continue to fulfill their duties and responsibilities.
-  Shukwaya'tísu - Thanks to the Creator
-  Closing - Askanho'tú' ki?
-  Feast

Cultural Heritage

Day Two:

-  Kanehelatúksla - Thanksgiving Address/Opening
-  “Inform the minds” - the agenda/what will happen.
-  Atwa'kahlawáli - We will stir the ashes.
-  Mid-winter is the beginning of our ceremonial cycle. We stir ashes to represent turning over the earth in preparation for the growing season. We are thankful and ask that all things on the earth continue.
Speaker announces for each side to look for someone to open the “Stirring of the Ashes”, one from each side to speak or sing.
Speaker announces the person chosen from each side.
Two men open Stirring Ashes, then the Faithkeepers.
A man is chosen from each side of the house to handout paddles. The people are asked not to refuse the paddles.
Each side alternates as the people are given a chance to stir the ashes.
When all have stirred the ashes, the speaker, singer and all the title holders will stir the ashes again to close the stirring ashes ceremony.
-  Closing - Askanho'tú' ki?
-  Feast

Day Three: Kanehelatúksla - Thanksgiving Address/Opening

-  “Inform the minds” - the agenda/what will happen today.
-  Kayu'kwátho' - tobacco burning
-  Hatu'wáh - Men's Chant - Ahanhotu'kó' - he'll open the door
-  Ahatihsanakala'táte? - they will raise the names
-  When all names are out through, Medicine friendships are taken care of.
-  Askanho'tú' ki? - the door will be closed/the same one that opened will close.
-  Oncho'lú - Drum Dance
-  The speaker informs the people that tomorrow will be Kayatowa'ná - The Peachstone Game - He explains how the game is played.
-  Announcements of people to assist with the game
-  Acknowledgement of what has been accomplished.
-  Takwanuhwela'tú' - Closing
-  Feast

Cultural Heritage

Day Four - Kayato'waná - Peachstone Game

-  Kanehelatúksla - Thanksgiving Address/ Opening
-  "Inform the minds" - Overview of the game, names of people who will assist and who will holler to begin the game.
-  Kayatowa'ná - Peachstone Game is played.
-  When the game is complete the winners are announced. Everyone is encouraged not to feel bad, this is the way the Creator decided it should be. We should all have a good mind.
-  We look for singers for Ohstowa'kó'.
The speaker will announce the names of the singer's and the one's who picked up the items. They will lead the dance.
-  Ohstowa'kó' 1X
-  We will look for someone to tell the story of Skanyataliyó (Handsome Lake and the áhsá na'tekutá'hnu'téhle' (Three Sister's).
-  Kunukwehnéha olánaka'yú'se? - Old Women's Dance
-  Osahé'ta' aotilá'ná - Bean Dance

-  áshalihwaló-loke – he'll recap the matters
The speaker will go back to when the Faithkeepers first met and will go over what happened on each day and who did what each day during the Mid-Winter ceremony.

-  Takwanuhwela'tú - Closing

-  Feast

06 SEOTS

NOV. 2025-DEC. 2025 SEOTS UPCOMING EVENTS

- Monthly elder potluck and elder lunches with bingo!
- November 3rd Cultural Heritage Trip 6:30am-6pm.
- Nov. 7th, Nov. 12th, Dec. 5th and Dec. 10th approx. 10am Tribal Elder Food Boxes.
- November 7th SEOTS craft fair 3pm-6pm
- November 18th Canvas Painting class 5pm.
- December 11th Books and Cocoa: ICS K4 students and SEOTS Elders celebrate the holidays.
- December 17th Estate planning clinic 9am.
- December 18th SEOTS holiday party 5-7:30pm.



Southeastern Oneida Tribal Services
5233 W. Morgan Ave. Milwaukee, WI 414-329-4101

07 Giving Tree



2025 GIVING TREE INFO



APPLICATION INFORMATION: Applications accepted based on REFERRALS ONLY by employees within the Human Services Division (HSD), Education and Training Area, Oneida Nation School System, and Food Distribution and Food Pantry to assist families in need from November 3-12, 2025 at: <https://forms.office.com/r/Km5c50Finf> ** Employees can refer more than one child/family. **Referrals submitted without employee name will not be accepted. **Limited to Oneida enrolled children or children of parents who are Oneida enrolled residing within Brown or Outagamie County.

Once referral completed, an online application MUST be completed by parent/guardian/ caregiver at the following link from November 3-12, 2025. <https://forms.office.com/r/Ok7qniuVLV> ** If someone completes online application who was not referred, the application will not be accepted.

"HOT ITEM" DONATIONS DEADLINE: Friday, November 21st - "Hot" items: Anime, arts & crafts, balls (basketballs, footballs, lacrosse balls, volleyballs), bracelet/jewelry making kits, coloring books, dinosaurs, Hello Kitty, hoodies (all sizes up to XXXL), Legos, lip gloss, LOL/Surprise dolls, make-up kits, Nike socks, Pokemon cards, play makeup, Remote Control cars/trucks, Roblox/V-bucks/Playstation cards, Sonic, Squishmellows, Superhero action figures (Spiderman, Hulk), WWE Wrestlers

TAGS: Available November 12th for those wanting to purchase gifts.

GIFT RETURN DEADLINE: December 3rd - Please return gifts (wrapping optional) with tags attached to the main office of the Ka'nikuhliyo Family Center located at 2640 West Point Road, Green Bay.

INCENTIVE TO PURCHASE GIFTS FOR FAMILIES OF FOUR (4) OR MORE: Anyone purchasing gifts for families with four (4)+ children will be entered into a drawing to receive their choice of a holiday ham, 2 movie passes or Oneida gift basket. There will be 10 random winners.

GIFT PICK UP: December 11th & 12th from 8:30 am - Noon & 1:00 - 4:00 pm
Where: Behind the Ka'nikuhliyo Family Center located at 2640 West Point Road (watch for signs & go up to the right behind the Fitness Center).

- Please stay in your vehicle at all times. Gifts will be brought out to you.
- Anyone can pick up. Be ready with parent/guardian/caregiver's first & last name.

TO REQUEST TAGS OR IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS:
Contact Rocky Hill @ 920.490.3903 or rhill2@oneidation.org

ONEIDA PUBLIC TRANSIT Presents

Jingle All the Way (To Bay Park Square Mall)

Starting November 1st through December 31st,
we're offering **\$5 round-trip** rides to the mall
to help sleigh your holiday shopping list!

Details:

- Service Area Only - Riders must live within our service area.
- Cash Only
- Pick-Up & Drop-Off: Food Court Entrance
- Ride Hours: 11:00 AM - 7:30 PM daily

Contact us @ 920-496-5770 to reserve your spot!



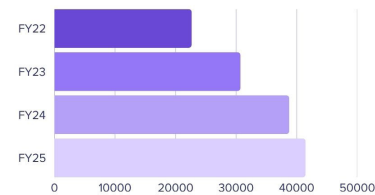
FY25 FISCAL YEAR REPORT - PUBLIC TRANSIT

Total
Completed
Trips
41,475

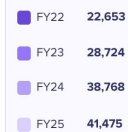
Total
Mileage
282,240

Total New
Riders
400

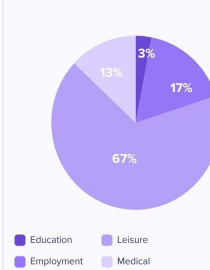
Fiscal Year Comparisons



Completed Trips Breakdown



Purpose of Trips



Purpose Totals



Trip Denials

2,322



09 Economic Support

APPLY FOR ENERGY ASSISTANCE

OCTOBER 1, 2025 TO MAY 15, 2026

- Apply online:
<https://energybenefit.wi.gov/OnlineApps>
- Apply by phone, mail or in person with
your local agency:
<https://energyandhousing.wi.gov> and
select a county/tribe from the map to get
available resources.
- For more information call: 1-866-HEATWIS
(432-8947)



FAMILY FEUD

ONEIDA STYLE!



The reigning champions from
our inaugural Family Feud, the
Nunies Family, are set to
make their return!

Does your family have what it takes to win our
Oneida Style Family Feud? Reach out to us today to
secure your family's spot in this exciting and
entertaining event!

Fun for the whole family! Prizes awarded to first place family!

Dinner Provided!

NOVEMBER 20, 2025 | 5PM

Community Resource
Center (Formerly CEC)

920-496-5260

After-School Season at “The Rec” Is in Full Swing!

The Highway H / Cliff Webster Sr. facility is fully staffed and ready to go!

New this year: We’re collaborating with one another as a full staff, developing the CARE Club. Every Tuesday we want to be Caring And Revitalizing Everyone (CARE is the acronym). Every month, with May being for review, we develop programs to discuss each Wellness Dimension for holistic self-care for the whole crew!

Your kiddos are getting good meals, fantastic opportunities for homework help, health and holistic wellness, as well as our wondrous gym programs, social recreation, art, and fun in the Learning Center!

Register your school-aged family members (ages 7–17) today!



For a second year, we offer a once-a-month Core Value Day in which the entire staff collaborates again. There are seven Core Values, the elements of having a Good Mind, and nine months to our after-school session. So, our focus for September was our Nation’s motto: A Good Mind, Good Heart, Strong Fire. Since our minds and our fire are also part of our Good Mind/Core Values, this year we focused on the word Swawelyehsi•yó, or “All of you have a good heart!”



For October, we discussed the word Tsi? niyukwalihot^, meaning “Our ways” or “Our Culture.” These words will help us think about our Core Values throughout the year. In November, we will discuss Twahwahtsísíslay^, and then in this order:

- Ka?nikuhli•yó
- Kalihwi•yó
- Kanolukhwásíla
- Yukwatsísíslay^
- Ka?shatst^sílá
- Kahletsyalúsíla

This will take us right to May, and the first week of June.

We hope your children can join us!



Our department is excited to announce a new calendar project designed for children in shared households that will be available for 2026.

We also encourage everyone to join our “50 A Month” Challenges, running through December. Each month, one lucky participant will win a prize—don’t miss your chance! You can find details on our Facebook page at facebook.com/oneidanationcsa.

More events:

October- Boo Bash, ONCSA give away table

November -Grandparents as Caregivers

Circle Workshop restarts

Community Involvement

Our agency would like to highlight a few recent events we’ve hosted or participated in that brought our community together:

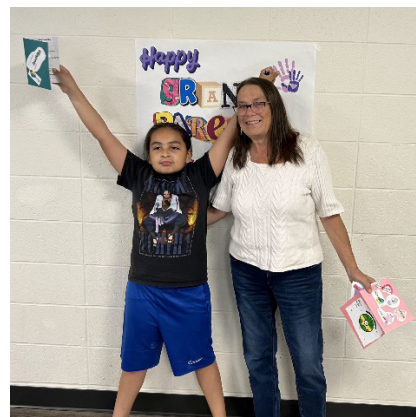
4/7/25-9/8/25 | Grandparents as Caregivers Circle, held in collaboration with Oneida Family Services.

8/5/25 | Back to School 2025, held in collaboration with the National Night Out at the Oneida Nation Turtle School.

- Distributed over 350 backpacks.
- 641 attended B2S, and 871 participated in NNO.

8/15/25 | Breaking the Silence, Oneida Aging and Disability event where we encouraged participation for grandparents to attend our caregiver targeted events and workshops.

9/5/25 | Grandparents Day workshop, celebrating grandparents with card-making with Oneida language words of affirmation.



Do You know our tribal elder benefits specialist

Joseph Williams will be holding open enrollment for Medicare. These dates range from 10/15/26-12/07/25.

Every year insurance companies can change their formularies (list of covered drugs), premiums, deductibles and copays so ALL Medicare plans should be reviewed EVERY YEAR!

NEW AND EXCITING ACTIVITIES & EVENTS COMING UP. HERE IS WHAT YOU CAN EXPECT TO SEE;

- ▶ Halloween Party 10/31 @1:00pm to 3:00pm
 - WeLit and DJ MoonWalker will provide the entertainment
- ▶ Celebrating the birthdays for the months of October, November, & December
 - On 11/20 1:00pm to 2:00pm located in the elder conference room
- ▶ December we will be having a christmas party for the elders.
- ▶ Our team will be having a holiday door decorating contest so stop and check out the doors.
- ▶ New Indoor activities and more collaboration with other departments and the elders.

HERE AT AGING AND DISABILITY YOU CAN ALWAYS FIND WAYS WE CAN HELP:

The services that are provided, include:

- ▶ minor home repair
- ▶ loan closet
- ▶ Eligibility endowment funds.
- ▶ Family Caregiving & Outreach
- ▶ Elder Activities
- ▶ Meals in wheels/Congregate Meal Site

You can find out more information on each service, located in the atrium of Aging & Disability.

Aging & Disability Vision Statement:

To provide home and community based programs for elders and those with disabilities. We strive to be a role model for other aging entities.

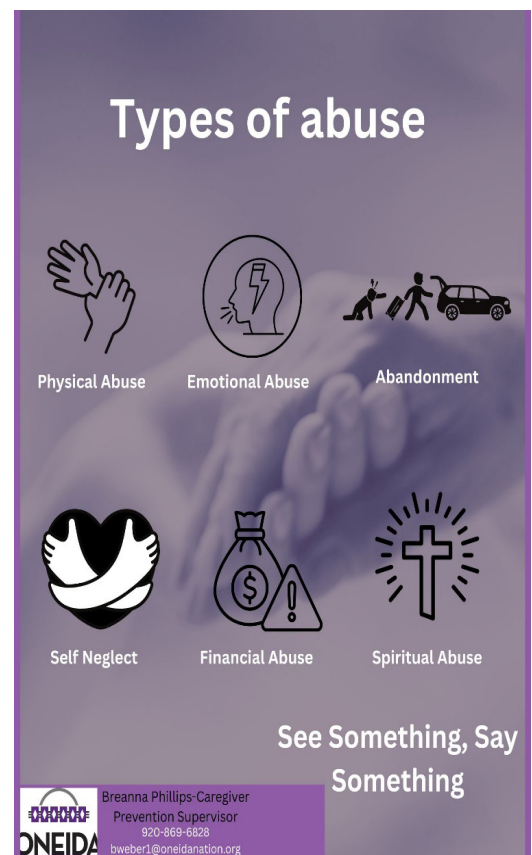
Aging & Disability Mission Statement:

To assist our elders to maintain an independent healthy productive and



Resources available

- We have staff in office that focuses on helping out our caregivers and their well being. This would be our Family caregiver and Outreach services.
- If there is questions about long term care or in house care for an elder you will contact our ADRS Resource Specialist.
- If you see something, Say something any type of abuse is still abuse. We have a Elder Abuse Prevention service that will help to answer any questions and/or help point you in the right direction.
- We are here to help out our elders and their families in our community to the best of our abilities.



Contact Us

920-869-2448

Visit us on the Web:

<https://oneidansn.gov/resources/agingdisabilityservices/about/>