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**OUR MISSION:**  
To empower people to make choices  
that result in a life of dignity and  
increased independence.

# AbSSLC News

Abilene SSLC

Week of April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023

## Volunteer Appreciation Week

April 16<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup>

Heartfelt   
**THANKS**  
**TO OUR VOLUNTEERS!**

The Abilene Volunteer Services Council (VSC) has a rich history of service to those that live – and work – at AbSSLC. Founded in 1959, the VSC has been involved in many of the special projects over the years and their work can be seen across campus in numerous areas. They are responsible for the AbSSLC Chapel, Swimming Pool Cover and OWT Lodge, just to name a few. They also assist with many smaller projects that greatly benefit everyone here!

Please take a moment to thank our volunteers as you come across them in your work. Did you know that Glenda's 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition is staffed entirely by volunteers?

**Visit the VSC website! [AbileneVSC.org](http://AbileneVSC.org)**



Click the [link](#) or scan the code to let us know your questions or tell us your ideas and thoughts to make AbSSLC an even better place to live & work!



## COVID19 Testing @ LSCTH

**Tuesday, April 18<sup>th</sup>**  
0530-1130 & 1300-1500

**Make-up Day**  
**Thursday, April 20<sup>th</sup>**  
1300-1500



**Tacolote**  
**Monday 4/17**  
**11:30am-1:30pm**  
**Bill Cain Pavilion**



## Glenda's 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition Needs your Help!

Your donations are critical to the success of Glenda's 2<sup>nd</sup> edition. You probably have stuff around the house you no longer need but others can't wait to buy! All of the proceeds go to the Volunteer Services Council which, in turn, benefits those that live at AbSSLC.

Gently used items (any/all except large appliances, mattresses & TVs) are very much appreciated. You can contact Volunteers @ x3370 or drop of your items @ the 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition. Drop-off info is on the east door.

**Name Badges must be worn (and visible) at all times while on campus**

# Shout Outs!

A big shout out to everyone who participated in Kick Ball on Friday 04-07-2023 with the guys 6500 Plum.

**Dannie Sims** did a great job getting the game organized and kept the sweet chaos under control. **Ramesh Pradhan**, came by and made a few nice home runs for his team. 6500 Home staff **Tyson Washington** was amazing to have on the team and always encouraged participation and used her high-level energy. **Charlie Camp**, who is originally from 5972 Service was there giving everyone moral support during the game and, was in general, always in the way but the game wouldn't have been the same without her! New Employees **Abala Lokendo** and **Kyunda Kimbambo** did a great job learning the game on the fly and interacting with the whole group. **Joey Villarreal** did great as a hind catcher and rabblrouser to keep up the spirit of competition between the teams. This activity was awesome and to see everyone, to include the young men, laughing and having a great time was heart-warming to get to see.

Shout out to Shae and whoever else made the sweet Easter baskets for us on Thursday .. they were appreciated! Thank you ♥

We had a medical transport to HMC-N with **Jeffrey** and **Ruben** to pick up a patient. They were both so nice and professional, very helpful with everything. Just wanted to say how appreciative I was.

I'd like to send a fantastic shout out to the plumbing department, especially **Ricky** and **Seth**. While restoring hot water to the Audiology bathroom, which is cause enough for celebration, they quietly and without fanfare, cleaned up after an individual.

Big thank you SHOUT OUT to **Tyson Washington** at 6500 Plum for letting Audiology know that an appointment needed to be rescheduled. This courtesy is much appreciated!!

Shout out to **Christian Devora** in Vocational Services. He helps at 6500 Plum twice a week and also teaches lawn maintenance to a few of our residents. He is teaching a skill while being patient, enthusiastic, giving guidance and praise consistently.

**Emily Wilkerson** (RN) went to one of the Individuals appointment today and showed a great deal of caring for and knowledge of him. She's only been at 6510 Peach for a relatively short time, but her care for the Individual was evident, and his response to her was heartwarming.

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Assistant Unit Directors pose for a photo before interviewing new applicants for direct support positions. Pictured from left are Kim Rankin, Karen Stone, Ashley Alonzo and Yvonia Paige.

## Our AUDs made the Friday Photos!

### Shout Out!

Have you seen someone do the above & beyond or just want to recognize great work?

It's easy to do a Shout Out!

- "Reply" to any of the update texts you receive through the AskAdmin Text Group
- Email Jeff Goza with their name and your comments
- Text their name and your comments to 325.370.4525

Let's **Shout Out** and recognize others!