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OPEN HOUSE

**Jackson County Health Department
to open new Sexual Health Outreach Office**

Jackson County Health Department (JCHD) will soon open an outreach office at the Eurma C. Hayes building, 441 East Willow Street, in Carbondale, IL.

An open house will be held on March 19, 2024 from 2:00-6:00 p.m. This is also election day, so some additional foot traffic is expected. SIH, Shawnee Health Services and Rainbow Café will also be providing education and services that day. Come and receive your FLU vaccine and updated COVID vaccine (please bring insurance cards). Also offered will be rapid Hepatitis C and HIV testing.

A prize raffle drawing will be held for a \$100 Save-A-Lot gift card.

Although the outreach office will not be able to provide ALL health department services, JCHD staff will be able to meet with community members and refer them for local services they might need. Our main focus for this office is to provide sexual health outreach services. These services will include HIV and Hepatitis C rapid testing, risk reduction services, referrals and client meetings. With syphilis cases on the rise locally and nationally, JCHD hopes to provide additional outreach services to provide testing, notify partners and reduce the spread.

Regular outreach office hours will be Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 1:00- 4:00 p.m.

Stop by to see our new office, meet with staff and see how we can help you live a healthier life!

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