



Perris News

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Prescription Express Comes to Perris December 13

Residents who need help paying for prescription medicines are encouraged to come to Perris Saturday, Dec. 13 when the "Help Is Here Express" makes a stop in Perris.



The Express, sponsored by the Partnership for Prescription Assistance, stops by the Perris Family Care Center at 308 San Jacinto Avenue between 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Syndicated talk show host Montel Williams is the spokesman for the Partnership for Prescription Assistance, which has helped more than two million Americans obtain their medications.

Pastor Carl Wiggins and City Councilwoman Rita Rogers helped bring the national effort to Perris. But the stopover is not limited to just City residents. People from neighboring communities, and indeed all of Riverside County, are invited to attend.

"This is a true blessing for the City and its residents and other people," Rogers said. "There are so many people hurting now because of the economy, especially if they are living on fixed incomes. They have a great need for prescription drugs."

People are advised to bring a list of their prescriptions or their medicine bottles when they stop by Perris. The Help Is Here Express contains computer terminals and mobile telephones to help visitors determine if they are eligible for prescription benefits through any one of 475 public and private assistance programs.

No prescriptions will be filled during the Perris visit.

Wiggins, pastor of Eagles Wings Christian Church, said that some elderly and low-income people are so strapped for cash that they purchase their medications and then take only partial doses to make them last.

"They could be looking at serious medical problems," Wiggins said.

Wiggins asks that anyone with questions contact him at 951-940-5225.

Williams, in a statement on the Partnership for Prescription Assistance website, said the help benefits the needy and deserving.

"I am very proud to partner with the PPA to get patients matched to programs that provide medications at little or no cost," Williams said.

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