#### GOVERNMENT OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS OF THE UNITED STATES

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## **PRESS RELEASE**

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# DHS St. Thomas Offices, Senior Rec center & Head Start closed Thursday due to Downtown Carnival Activities

**U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS** - The Virgin Islands Department of Human Services (VIDHS), is advising the community that all DHS Offices on the island of St. Thomas, will be closed on Thursday, April 13th at 12:00 pm due to STT Carnival Opening Day activities scheduled to take place in downtown Charlotte Amalie. The STRIVE Senior Recreational Center will be closed for the whole day.

In addition, Head Start Centers - Savan, Bergs Home, and Sugar Estate will also be closed at noon on Thursday. Classes will resume on Friday, April 14, 2023.

Please be advised, all appointments scheduled for Thursday afternoon have been cancelled and rescheduled. The department's Meals on Wheels and Home makers programs will continue to operate as normal.

For assistance, please contact the following division staff during this temporary interruption:

Division of Family Assistance: (340)772-7100 ext. 7159

Medicaid - Medical Assistance Program: (340)772-7100-ex.† 7114

Office of Intake and Emergency Services: (340) 772-7119
Office of Childcare and Regulatory Services: (340) 772-7147

Division of Adult Protective Services: (340)642-8820

Family Caregivers: 340-725-4963

The VI Department of Human Services apologizes for any inconvenience this may cause.

For additional information, please visit the Department of Human Services website, www.dhs.gov.vi or on Facebook (https://www.facebook.com/usvidhs) at US Virgin Islands Department of Human Services.

The Department of Human Services (VIDHS) exists to provide social services to members in our community with diverse needs. In times of national uncertainty and hardship we act as a safety-net and exist to inspire hope and empower change through non-judgmental, quality delivery of needed services and resources.