



THE LIGHT

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Christian Clearing House

The light shines in the darkness ... (John 1:5a)

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Daily Acts of Kindness

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At Christian Clearing House (CCH) the staff and volunteers seldom get to see the impact they make in the lives of those we help. Jill (Office Manager) received this email:

I just wanted to say thank you for taking the time to help me earlier this week with the problem I was having regarding my electric bill. I greatly appreciate you taking the time to help me— after hours, to resolve my situation. Sometimes when you are trying to work to provide for your family and can't accommodate an office's schedule, you are unable to get the help you need. Thank you for seeing me and allowing me to continue to provide for my family without interruption. Sometimes something as small as missing out on half an hour of work makes a difference between being able to pay my bills and have enough for gas money and not. I really felt like a person and not a number. So, thank you for allowing me the opportunity to receive your assistance. Without it, I would have gone home to no electricity yesterday. Instead, I went home with my children and made dinner and thought about how truly blessed our community is to have a wonderful and rare organization such as yours. Thank you again!

Again, CCH was honored on September 8, 2017 when Executive Director Tammy Stahl received the Golden Eagle Award at a luncheon hosted by the Dollar Energy Fund. This award was presented to Tammy for her dedication to those that struggle daily with financial hardships. Not only was the award showcasing her love

and compassion for those with needs in our community, but for the work provided by the Board and volunteers that help make CCH such a success in our county.

The Dollar Energy Fund provides the Neighbor to Neighbor program for AEP customers that are facing disconnection of utility

services. This program has been instrumental in providing over \$400,000 in direct aid for clients coming into the CCH office. If you would like to support those facing disconnects, please visit our website at www.cchsupport.org or mail your contribution directly to:

Christian Clearing House
1800 N Blanchard Street. Suite 107
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Your support can really make a huge impact on families. **Thank you!**



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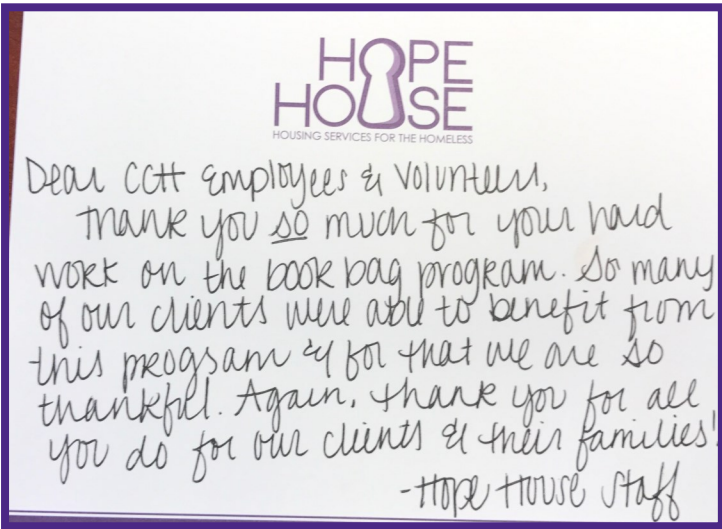
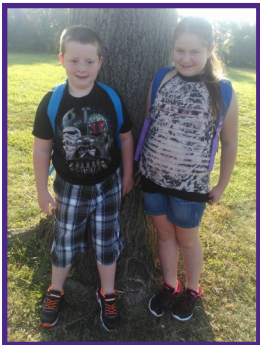
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Thank You For Supporting.....

Stuff The Bus & Project Happy Feet



This fall over 875 backpacks filled with school supplies and 500 Project Happy Feet vouchers were provided to area children. The vouchers for shoes were made possible by a grant from Handbags That Help. WFIN/WKXA, Stonebridge Church, Whirlpool, Marathon Petroleum Company, AEP Electric, Cooper Tire, Millstream Area Credit Union, Walmart and many community donations provided supplies to fill the backpacks. Filled backpacks were disturbed at The Family Center with the help of many, many community volunteers from Stonebridge Church, North View School, CCH and others that worked to make going back to school a success! **Thank you!**



Agency collaboration is a true blessing !

Upcoming Events

- September 28th.....Wine Tasting at Feasel Garden Center, (\$10 tickets, available in the office or at the door).
- December 9th.....Merry Rocking Christmas Concert (details posted on website)
- April 7th & 8th..... 2018 Garage Sale

Caring Cupboard

Caring Cupboard Items Needed

- Toilet paper
- Diapers
- Deodorant
- Feminine products
- Laundry detergent
- Shampoo
- Conditioner
- Tooth paste
- Tooth brushes
- Bath soap (bars)
- Shaving cream
- Dish detergent

Imagine what it would be like to have just changed your baby and using the very last diaper, or having no toilet tissue and stealing from a public facility.....not very pleasant thoughts. Many of the clients Christian Clearing House (CCH) helps face these dilemmas daily. We see clients that have not bathed in days or children elated to receive a toothbrush because they have to share with a sibling. As unfortunate as it sounds, it is the reality that comes to life daily within the CCH office.

Paul and his son Ben came into the office just a few weeks ago with their arms over loaded with bags and bags of items for the cupboard. Paul had to use Christian Clearing House's services in the past and he explained that this was his way of giving back. Paul's wife was a "couponer" and their shelves were over filled. "This is the right thing to do", Paul stated.



As the holidays approach, helping to fill our cupboard with necessary items is a great gift to those in need and also to Christian Clearing House. What a wonderful way to get community groups or church groups to join in and make a difference. Needed items are listed. The biggest demand is for laundry detergent, toilet paper and large (4-6) sized diapers or pull-up.

Why I Volunteer.....

Volunteering at CCH is one way I can fill what I consider a requirement to be able to say "I am a believer in Jesus Christ". He commanded us to help our fellow man. Just believing in Jesus is not enough— He wants us to be His, hands, feet and heart for all.



Jack Cramer ,

Volunteer of 12 Years

A new volunteer training class will be held on September 26th from 10AM until noon. For more information about volunteering at Christian Clearing House call Jill at 419-422-2222.

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www.cchsupport.org
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Our Vision:

Christian Clearing House represents Christ to the community through helping people become self-sustaining.

Our Mission:

To provide non-sustaining, emergency assistance for our neighbors facing financial, emotional, or spiritual needs in Hancock County.

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In Memory of:

Kenneth & Lois Karhoff

Jack & Nancy Veit

Tom Adams

Honor of:

Tammy Stahl

Looking for an easy way to support CCH?

Kroger Community Rewards Enrollment Log into www.krogercommunityrewards.com, type in the CCH enrollment number 84413 or select Hancock Christian Clearing House, and send your Kroger Plus Points our way! After you are enrolled, all you have to do is use your Kroger Plus Card and the points go to CCH, which turns into \$\$ for the agency.

Great Scot Receipts Drop your Great Scot store receipts off at the Christian Clearing House office and 1% of your purchase will be donated to the agency. Every penny adds up.

Gordon Foods At the check out let the cashier know that you want to support Christian Clearing House.



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