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THE GIFT  
OF HOPE

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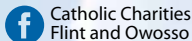
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## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT/CEO

**T**hank you!  
Thank you!  
Thank you!  
As we reflect  
on 2019, and

jump into 2020, we would like to express our gratitude! You work so hard. Whether you realize it or not, everything YOU do makes a difference to someone in need.

It would be easy for us to take all the credit for the good works we do here at Catholic Charities, but the reality is, without YOU, we could never do what we do. It is all because you understand one very important thing...It's better to light a candle than to curse the darkness.

Because of your support, when we see a need in the community, we are able to help provide solutions. With the help of a generous, anonymous donor, we are proud to say that in October we started a new program called the Eastside Rides to Hope. This program helps residents on the east side get to vital locations which provide meals, groceries, medical assistance, clothing, hygiene items, showers and laundry.

In November the Chair-ity event was a huge success! We were overwhelmed by

the support we got from the community and can't thank YOU enough!

December saw more people bringing donations of gifts to the Center for Hope than ever before! One little girl particularly touched our hearts. She was 6 years old and came to the Center on Christmas day. She was clearly excited, but also confused. She didn't know what to do with the package she had received because she had never received a wrapped gift before. If only we could show you the joy on her face as she opened that present.

I would also like to take an opportunity to introduce our new Director of Development, Theresa Hurley. She started on February 10th and we are very excited to have her on board!



Theresa Hurley

*Warm regards and  
blessings to all,*

Vicky L. Schultz  
President/CEO



# Volunteer Appreciation Dinner

## Please join us for this FREE event!

# APRIL 22, 2020 2-4 PM

## Center for Hope Soup Kitchen 812 Root Street, Flint

Without you we could not continue to provide Hope, Help and Healing within our communities. We hope you will join us so we can honor you for your hard work and commitment over the past year!

**RSVP to John Manse on 810.785.6911 or jmanse@ccsgc.org**



# CHAIR(WO)MAN of the BOARD

Catholic Charities is excited to welcome Karen Church, CEO of Elga Credit Union, as its newest Board Chair. She is a leader and believer and truly stands behind the credit union's motto of "People Helping People".

Karen takes pride in developing new leaders, mentoring, coaching, and leading by example. She devotes countless hours of volunteer time to support community events each year. She may stand little more than five feet tall, but she has the heart of a giant! If there is a good cause in Flint, you can be sure she's there; running the 5k race to create awareness, handing out donations to those in need and raising her paddle to support the latest fundraiser.

She and her husband, Duane, even established a charitable fund, providing grants to support literacy programs, initiatives and organizations in Genesee County. They have also designated Catholic Charities for a Legacy Gift.

"I have always known it's important to give back. My husband and I both come from large entrepreneurial families who taught us that the more you give, the more you receive. There's such joy in seeing how your contribution has helped someone else," says Karen.

Catholic Charities is close to her heart for many reasons. "The scope of services the agency provides is unequaled in Genesee County, and I want to be a part of an organization that works so tirelessly to help others," she says.

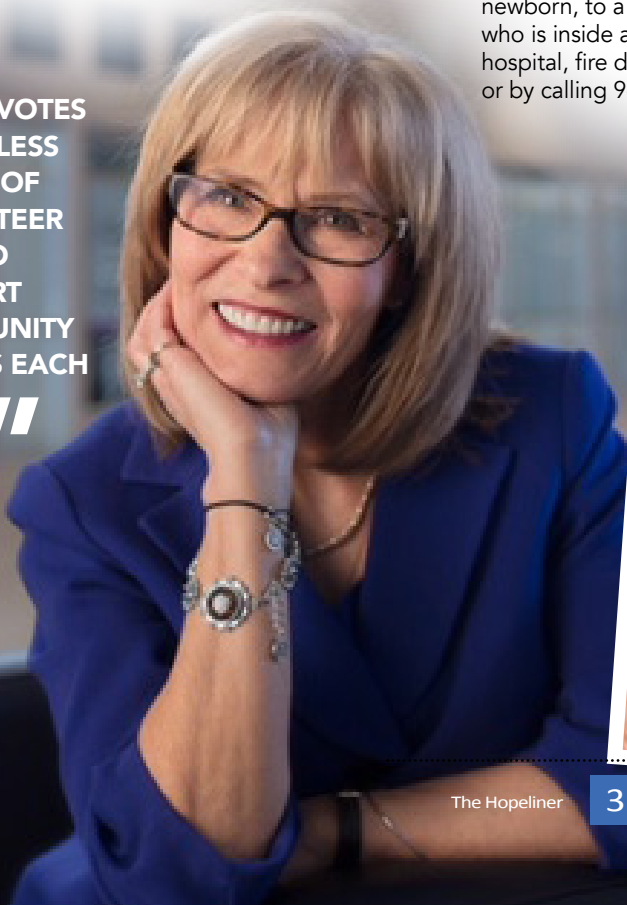
But she also has a very personal connection to Catholic Charities. Between 2016 and 2018 Karen's son Chad, and his wife Christina had multiple miscarriages while trying to start a family. They were beginning to lose hope that they would ever have a family because they believed adoption was financially out of their reach. What they didn't know was that Michigan has a Safe Delivery law which allows parents to safely and legally surrender their newborn, to a uniformed employee who is inside and on duty at any hospital, fire department, police station, or by calling 9-1-1.

Catholic Charities Adoption program was the answer to their prayers. Sometimes it can take a long time to receive a child through the Safe Delivery law and you have to be ready at a moment's notice to become parents. Karen's grandson Wyatt was born on June 21, 2018. Overnight she became a grandmother to a little boy in need of love, and there are no words to describe the joy he has brought to Karen and her family.

Karen's energy is uncontainable, and she takes on her new roll as Board Chair with enthusiasm, saying, "I look forward to learning more about the agencies in Flint and how we can collaborate to serve the community in the best possible way."

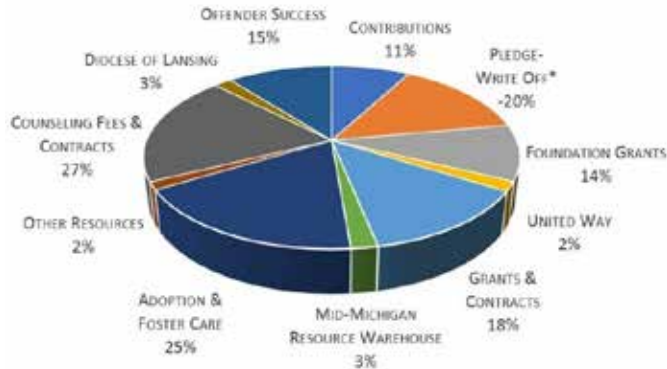
Karen joined ELGA Credit Union in 1978 and has served in the role of CEO since 1993. She has been a Michigan Credit Union League Board Member since 2009, where she currently serves as treasurer. Karen's community affiliations include Community Foundation, Women and Girls Advisory Council, Zonta, and the Literacy Network. Karen is a member of St. Francis Xavier Church, Otisville, where she serves as chairperson of the finance committee.

/// SHE DEVOTES COUNTLESS HOURS OF VOLUNTEER TIME TO SUPPORT COMMUNITY EVENTS EACH YEAR. ///



# Fiscal Year 2018-2019

RESOURCES AND SUPPORT



## Resources and Support

Contributions	\$569,547.73
Pledge-Write Off*	\$(1,000,000.00)
Foundation Grants	\$699,348.16
United Way	\$120,000.00
Grants & Contracts	\$917,515.85
Mid-Michigan Resource Warehouse	\$137,006.71
Adoption & Foster Care	\$1,265,882.51
Other Resources	\$96,226.42
Counseling Fees & Contracts	\$1,383,532.99
Diocese of Lansing	\$128,162.49
Offender Success	<u>\$762,715.38</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$5,079,938.24</b>

EXPENSES



## Expenses

Counseling & Prevention	\$2,594,434.14
Adoption & Foster Care	\$905,176.58
Mid-Michigan Resource Warehouse	\$129,030.21
Meal Programs & Community Services	\$1,663,615.33
Management & General	\$179,590.16
Fund Development	\$197,525.11
Offender Success	<u>\$762,715.38</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$6,432,086.91</b>

\*Private commitment not honored.

## North, South & Center for Hope Soup Kitchens

Hot Meals	112,656
Sack Lunches	55,805
Warming Center Meals	5,504
<b>Total Meals</b>	<b>173,695</b>

## Community Closet & Food Pantries

Number of people served	31,7235
Personal Items Distributed	67,675
Clothes Distributed	394,274
Household Items	62,484
Food Bags (Owosso)	2,662

## Center for Hope

Laundry (loads for 2,784 families)	5,868
Showers	1,128
Warming Center Overnight Stays	16,476

## Volunteering

Volunteers	18,400
Volunteer Hours	63,351

## Outreach Assistance

Rent/Utilities Clients Served	434
St. Christopher Medical Transport	321
<b>Direct Assistance Total</b>	<b>\$219,856</b>

## Adoption & Foster Care

Number of adoptions	5
Children in foster care	109
Total days in care	24,666
Total home visits	942

## Counseling

Genesee		Shiawassee	
Service Hours	5,843	Service Hours	2,077
Clients Served	1,103	Clients Served	711

## Michigan Department of Corrections (MDOC)

Service Hours	2,810	Service Hours	571
Clients Served	491	Clients Served	115

## Prevention & Education

Genesee		Shiawassee	
Service Units	8,915	Service Units	5,292
Clients Served	5,925	Clients Served	7,943

## Kinship Caregivers

Seniors Served	92
Training Service Hours	71
Respite Recipients	28
Respite Service Hours	1,717

## Mr. Gaines Gardening PLUS Program

Youth Employed	51
Garden Sales	\$7099.50





# WAYS to GIVE

PROVIDING HELP. CREATING HOPE.

As a generous benefactor, you have unique gifts and reasons for giving. There are many ways to give, and each gift will be carefully used as directed. Giving is not just about making a donation; it's about making a difference.

**CASH** Cash donations of any size are gratefully accepted. Mail your check to Catholic Charities of Shiawassee & Genesee Counties, 901 Chippewa Street, Flint, MI 48503 or visit catholiccharitiesflint.org.

**CHARITABLE GIFT ANNUITIES** Make a gift and receive steady payments in return. Your annuity payments will not be affected by economic downturns, and will continue for life.

**CORPORATE GIVING** For many companies, giving to Catholic Charities is a compelling way to support the communities where they do business. Make a program grant, sponsor a special event, host a food or clothing drive or volunteer.

**VEHICLE DONATIONS** We accept cars, trucks, boats and RV's. Pick-up is free and we do all the paperwork.

**EVENTS** Become involved in one of our fundraising events as an individual or corporate sponsor, a ticket or table purchaser, a member of a host committee or a volunteer.

**IN-KIND DONATIONS** Bring gently worn clothes, household goods and furniture. We will pick up large donations anywhere in Shiawassee or Genesee Counties. Please call 810 785 6911 to arrange pick up. For all other in-kind donations call Mary Stevenson at the Center for Hope.

**MATCHING GIFTS** Ask your employer if a matching gift program is offered. You may be able to double or triple your generosity with a matching gift.

**ONLINE GIVING** Online giving is safe, secure and fast.

**PLANNED GIFTS** To help future generations, name Catholic Charities as a beneficiary of your will, trust, retirement account or insurance policy. You will become a member of our Legacy Society when you include us in your estate plans.

**STOCKS AND SECURITIES** Gifts of appreciated stock may result in tax savings.

**TRIBUTE GIFTS** You can make a donation in memory of a loved one or celebrate a special occasion.



*“We make a living by what we get.  
We make a life by what we give.”*

*-Winston Churchill*

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# LIVING OUR Faith

**H**ave you ever heard the phrase, “be in the world but not of the world” uttered as if it’s some sort of programmed response for the definition of discipleship? Have you felt yourself nodding, expressing complete agreement: “Of course, live in this world but not be of it.”

But then moments later, the ambiguity of the statement begins to sink in. Thoughts like, “*What does it even mean?*” and, “*Can this seemingly abstract concept apply to my life in a concrete way?*” begin to swirl around in your mind? If this has happened to you, you’re not alone. Believers around the world struggle with the notion of discipleship. Living your faith takes contemplation and intention. It’s very easy to feel alone on this journey.

But a group of parishioners from Owosso may have cracked the code. It started in 2013 when Deacon Ralph Poyo came to speak at St. Paul’s in Owosso. The Deacon, founder of New Evangelization Ministries, challenged participants to take a cold hard look at how they express their faith outside of Sunday Mass.

“It was probably one of the more jarring talks that I had ever listened to as a Catholic. He was directly challenging us to live our faith with the higher level of discipleship. I had a real emotional struggle with that mission because I felt I wasn’t living it,” said George Welte.

In a busy world, we make choices as to which activity, passion, or pursuit we’ll

entertain with our attention. In the midst of this, we often push our faith to the margins of our life—to become something we do on the side, when we’re not focusing on our career or taking care of our family. As a bi-product of that mission series, St. Paul’s formed the E-Team (E for evangelization). If you know many Catholics, evangelization is not a word they are overly comfortable with. Say it out loud and you are likely to find everyone looking at the floor or the ceiling hoping that if they don’t make eye contact, you won’t ask them to become evangelists! So it was with slight apprehension that the E-Team formed, its mission to create a stronger sense of community within the church in the hope that their love of Christ would spill out into the world with greater impact.

**Love should not be something we schedule. Love should be a reflex.**

One group, which still meets twice a month, is comprised of Dennis and Linda Hrccka, Andy and Mary Kay Kenney, Mike and Joanne Buckley, George and Krista Welte, Bud and Beverly Price, Ken and Theresa Robbins and Tommy and Theresa Grant. Most of them are also involved in groups just for men or women.

The intention was simply to talk openly and freely about their faith. What they

thought would be an uncomfortable exercise turned into a spiritual game changer. Over time it made their faith more alive and empowered them to own their faith.

“If you want to know where you are in life, notice what your predominant thoughts are for the day. For me, being involved with these groups has caused me to think about my faith more on a daily basis and what I can do as a response to what Jesus did for us through his pascal mystery,” says Dennis Hrccka.

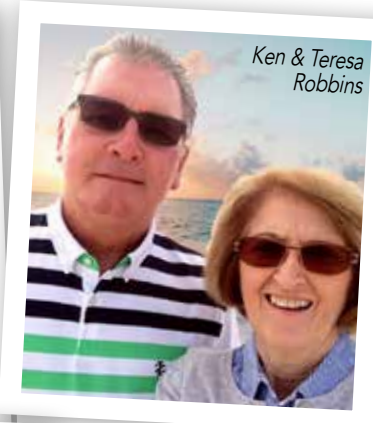
Today, we can be concerned about offending someone or making them feel uncomfortable, but really, that’s our fear speaking louder than our love. We talk about the things we truly love, and if we’re too scared to speak about our faith with those around us, we’ll never let it surface in our daily lives.

“I didn’t know any of the people, except in passing, but now they are my best friends and confidants and people who I walk and live my faith with. A few years ago, I would have said that sounds hokey, but there is such power when you have people praying for you and with you,” says Krista Welte.

Dennis & Linda Hrccka



Ken & Teresa Robbins



Mike & Joanne Buckley



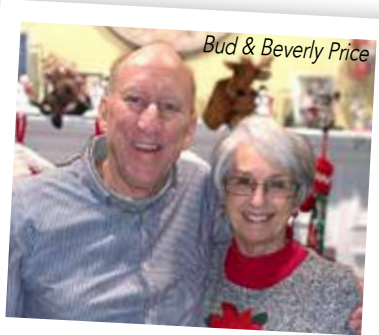
George & Krista Welte







Andy & Mary Kay Kenney



Bud & Beverly Price

The whole group agrees that suddenly they were not alone in their faith. They have each other and a real sense that God is present in their lives. Some of them had known each other since high school but had never talked about their faith or shared ideas. Being part of the faith group has changed their lives in immeasurable ways.

"It's not just changed our lives, we also work on the charitable works of mercy together to help others. Sometimes we take up a collection. We've done physical labor. Created dinners for the homeless shelter. We helped someone once with car repairs. We made a wheelchair ramp for someone who couldn't afford it. Bought a new hot water heater for the Pregnancy Resource Center. Being part of the group has made all those little acts of kindness fun and easier to do," says Linda Hrcka.

This new attitude about expressing their faith has not just affected their group. "A few nights ago a lot of us got together at the church to hold a prayer service for our children and grandchildren. There were about 70 people. No clergy, it was completely driven by the parishioners. I was awe inspired by everyone there that talked. People just called out prayers and it was beautiful. That would have never happened 10 years ago. The people involved are now not afraid to share," says Mike Buckley.

**Creating community is about adding value to people's lives. It recognizes that people are not to be used but loved.**

The group has become so much more than they could have ever anticipated. They have turned from strangers, to friends, to family. In the last 6 months two of the members, Joanne Buckley and Andy Kenney, have passed away and the Faith Group members have jumped in to support each other during a time of crisis and great loss.

Living your faith is not something that is only confined to the four walls of the church, like volunteering in the nursery or leading a Sunday school class. Instead, it's an everyday, outward expression of your love for God and what He is doing in your life. It's a choice that we must make, and it's one that impacts everyone around us.

God has blessed each of us with unique gifts that we can use to make the world a better place. Sometimes, we don't even realize we have those gifts, but they've been given to us for the purpose of living and sharing our faith.

If you are ready to begin living your faith more fully, there are so many ways to donate your time, treasure or talent to Catholic Charities. For more information on the services we provide and how you can get involved, call Kellie on 810-232-9950 ext 709 or visit [www.ccsgc.org](http://www.ccsgc.org).



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**Is Back**

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# Chair-ity A BEAUTIFUL EVENING

On behalf of the entire Catholic Charities' Chair-ity Event Committee, thank you to everyone who contributed to our First Signature Chair-ity Event which was held on November 9th at Genesys Banquet Center.

Your financial support and donations were key to making the evening a huge success. We had a full house, good food, music, lots of Chairs in both the Silent Auction and Live Auction and all of them sold! We had Stephanie K for our Emcee, a brief video highlighting our services and the testimonials from those whose lives we have changed. Raffles,

drinks, and all of our guests made for a wonderful evening. We exceeded our \$50,000 goal for the evening for which we are so grateful.

All proceeds are going to Catholic Charities' Center for Hope so we can continue to provide such basic needs as a Soup Kitchen, the Warming Center, clothing, coats/boots, blanket/sheets, bottled water, toilet paper, laundry soap, shampoo, toothbrushes, diapers, shower and laundry facilities and a Work Ready Room.

We hope that you can join us once again on October 3, 2020 for our second Annual Signature Chair-ity Event.



STEPHAINE K.  
EMCEE FOR CHAIR-ITY



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# HOLIDAY GIVING

## *The Gift of Hope*



The talented students at Cook Elementary in Grand Blanc were hard at work making blankets for our families staying in the Warming Center.



Malia is a Center for Hope volunteer. She brought us bags of personal needs items for our Warming Center and homeless guests.



For the second Christmas in a row, the Alexander family (and their dog Ed) dropped off bags of good things for our homeless visitors.



Ray (right) came in armed with Christmas turkeys, which were gladly accepted by our Center for Hope Soup Kitchen Manager Dan (left).



When Catholic Charities Board Member Ed Benning and his family and friends have a party, they know how to have a good time. A recent holiday party at Ed and Doreen Benning's yielded a surprising amount of toilet paper and personal items for our Center for Hope Personal Needs Room.



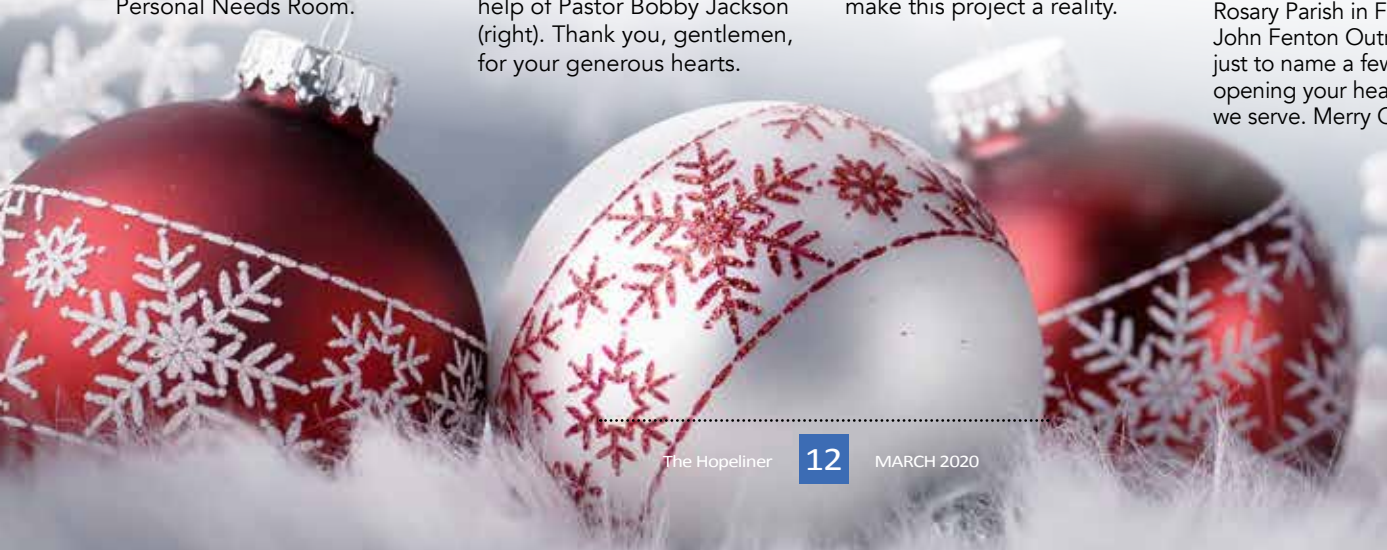
Costco in Auburn Hills has been with us since the beginning of the water crisis. That great connection continued when our friend Pedro from Costco (left) dropped off food and donations to be distributed to Flint families in need with the help of Pastor Bobby Jackson (right). Thank you, gentlemen, for your generous hearts.



They did it! Damion Ketchmark and his fellow Scouts have finished their Warming Center project to provide guests in the Warming Center additional storage space. Our thanks to Damion, his fellow Scouts, Scoutmaster and leaders, along with all the parents who helped make this project a reality.



We have received wondrous gifts from the Genesee County Chapter of AARP; Pastor James Fair and the Northeast Missionary Baptist Church; St. Mary Magdalen Parish in Brighton; Maureen and Peggy, Center for Hope volunteers from Livingston County; East Central Association of Realtors; Holy Rosary Parish in Flint, and St. John Fenton Outreach program, just to name a few. Thank you for opening your hearts to all those we serve. Merry Christmas!!







These bags are the result of Amy Henthorn's past year of travel. Her work for AT&T takes her to countless hotels, where Amy picks up travel-sized hygiene items and brings them home for those who visit our Community Closet Personal Needs Room. Thank you, Amy, for thinking of us!



Jack Stock and the University Advancement team of Kettering University celebrated the holidays today by creating and collecting donations for the Center. They delivered warm clothing, socks and gloves and spent time creating beautiful, warm fleece blankets.



Karen Garland and the Junior Honor Society at Holy Family School in Grand Blanc presented us with a wonderful donation of wrapped Christmas gifts for our Community Closet. The gifts were kindly delivered by teacher Maria Gonzales. Thank you all!



We first met Francisco when he was just 8 years old. On his own, he collected shoes from his family, friends and neighbors to donate to the Center for Hope. Eight years later he is still collecting shoes for the Community Closet - 200 pairs this year.



The kind parishioners of Saints Charles and Helena Parish in Clio collected a mountain of sheets, towels and blankets for those we serve in the Community Closet of the Center for Hope.



Our sincere thanks to the Mid-Michigan District Christian Methodist Episcopal Church Women's Missionary Society. They presented beautiful gifts and donations for the Center for Hope.



The men's ice hockey team from Powers Catholic High School dropped off a big bunch of bears for the families shopping in our Center for Hope Community Closet.



For years Brenda Clack has been donating blankets during the holidays and this year is no different! Thank you so much for everything you do in the community!



On Christmas Day we welcomed Senior Pastor Bruce Garner and volunteers from Faith Tabernacle Church. They arrived before 6am to make a delicious Christmas breakfast for our Warming Center guests. Another crew of volunteers arrived to prepare turkey dinner in the Center for Hope Soup Kitchen, and set up gift-giving in the Community Closet.



Madison, along with other student nurses from UM-Flint, spent several months working/volunteering in the Center for Hope this year. She donated a large bag of handmade Christmas stockings filled with goodies.



Davison's Daughters of Isabella stopped by to drop off a few friends.



John Panos and the wonderful patrons of Liberty Family Dining in Flushing delivered a miracle to the Center for Hope with gifts of food, toys and clothing for families in Flint.





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# meet our staff

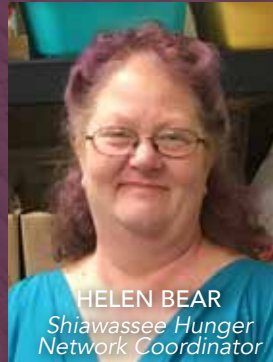
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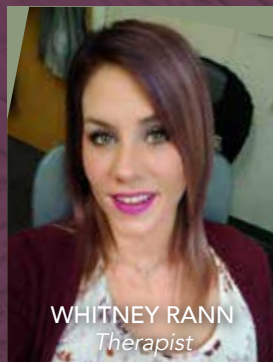


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# MOTORCYCLE RAFFLE *Congratulations!*

**T**hanks to the generosity of donors Mark and Susan, we were able to raffle off this gorgeous bike to raise money for the Sister Claudia Burke Center for Hope! Our lucky winner was Mr Anthony Odom! (pictured

on the right with his nephew) The Center for Hope is the beginning of a new path to hope and healing for the community providing basic needs such as water, food, clothing, household and personal care items, shower and laundry facilities and so much more.



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PUT-DOWN  
SCARED  
INTIMIDATED  
MANIPULATED  
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# ST. PATRICK'S DAY

## Boxed Lunch Sale

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For only **\$8** you can get a great lunch & help someone in need!

PICK UP YOUR LUNCH ON ST. PATRICK'S DAY  
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Lunches include a corned beef & Swiss on rye, chips, coleslaw, pickle and a treat!

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