JUVENILE DETENTION CENTER

JUNE 2023 =

AMAZING THINGS ARE HAPPENING HERE!

THANK YOU BOYERT'S GREENHOUSE & FARM!

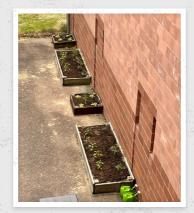
One of our residents asked if we would plant some items in our raised garden beds (we have done this in past years), as he enjoys gardening and his mom was willing to bring in some



seeds and plants. We told him we would. Well, his mom went to Boyert's to purchase the items but when they heard what everything was for they donated everything to us! They gave us carrots, lettuce, tomatoes, peppers, radishes, green beans and onions.

Our kids are currently assisting staff with caring for everything and watching the plants grow. They enjoy measuring the amount of water used and tracking the growth of each plant. Below you can see two of our Honorees helping Sgt. Leann Vandeveer and Assistant Superintendent Millikin planting. Thank you to Mike and Patti Boyert for their generosity! (www.boyerts.com)









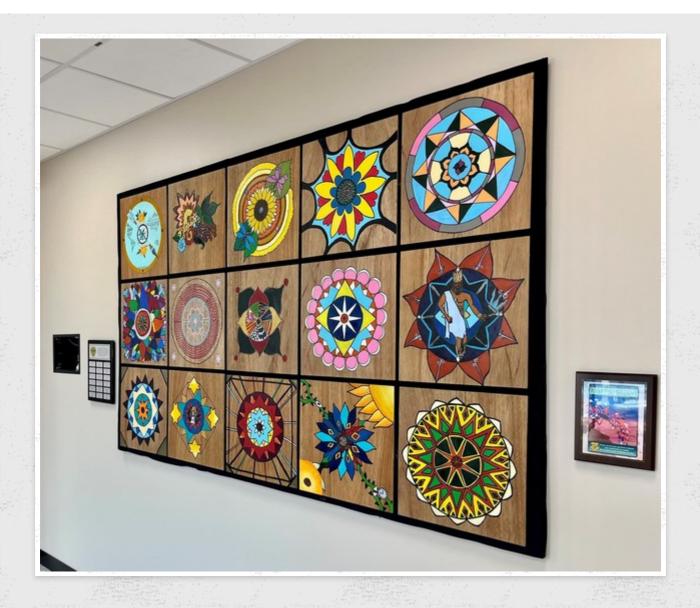




JUVENILE ART AT JUVENILE COURT

Judge Dunn (and lots of others) are settling into the county's new courthouse. As you can see below, Judge Dunn has acquired some of the art that our kids have created over the past few years and has it on display outside of his juvenile courtroom. Doesn't it look great?





MENTAL HEALTH AND OUR KIDS

One of our mental health clinicians, Alexis Lee, spent part of an afternoon leading our kids in a painting project. Our kids almost always enjoy painting or drawing. It helps calm and relax them while at the same time providing them with a positive and productive activity. One youth expressed that she paints at home and is glad to see she can paint here as well. Note that while Ms. Lee might look like she's angry in this pic we assure you she wasn't - it's just not the best pic of her!!







GUITAR CONCERT

One of our 17 year old male residents asked if we would let him play guitar for our kids and staff so we allowed his grandmother to bring in one of his guitars. After "auditioning" for Superintendent Stollar he was given the green light to perform.

Our young man played and sang songs (appropriate of course) from Pearl Jam and Sorority Noise, as well as some of his own originals. Here are the lyrics from one of those. He titled it "Stitches".



I've seen your face even though you've gone away
I heard your voice what seemed like only yesterday
Do you know that I'm more than afraid
Just like an animal but I'm your prey

Are you looking for me in your mind Am I the one that you wanna find Whisper in my ear you're mine It's right in view but I am blind

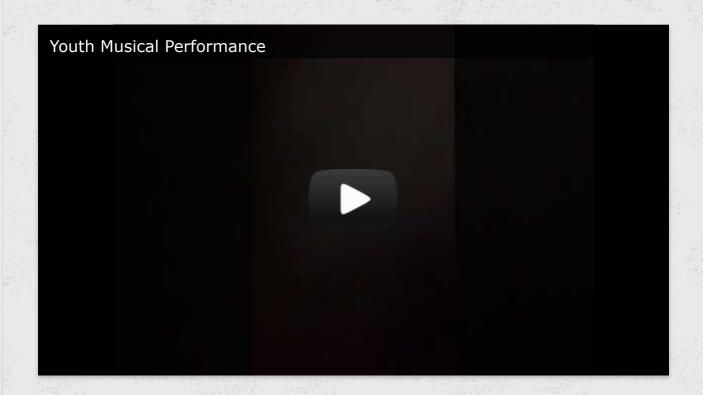
I'm given choice and granted wishes
You cut me open and lace my stitches
You tell me that there's nothing left inside
Leave me open for someone else to find

I see the shadows in the dark follow me
I look around and it's harder to see
There's some things that you wouldn't believe
Just listen to them and I'll help you grieve

Do you wanna go all the way I need some room you won't give me space I'm not okay look at my face

I'm given choice and granted wishes
You cut me open and lace my stitches
You yell me there's nothing left inside
Leave me open for someone else to find

Due to confidentiality, below is a blacked out clip of him warming up.



GIVEAWAYS FOR OUR KIDS

The Medina County Health Department, and Alternative Paths, Inc., gave us dozens and dozens of items to send home with our kids. You can see everything they gave us, which includes coasters, magnets, pens, stress squishies, and more. We try to give our kids as many positive messages as we can while they are with us, as well as after they leave us, no matter how small those messages may seem. Thank you to Jessica Miles and Kristen Hoffert-Leja (ADAMH Board), for getting these items to us! (www.alternativepaths.org) (www.medinahealth.org)



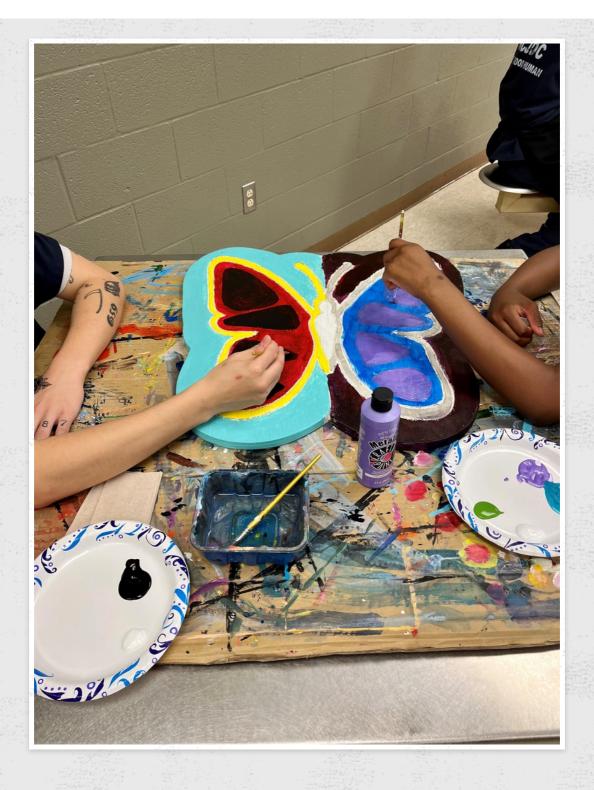






ART TEASER

This summer our long standing partner, Access the Arts, has organized something unique with multiple agencies around the county, which included our kids. Want to know more? Well you will just have to wait until next month's newsletter to see what it is! Cheri Smith (in yellow) from Brush Tips Studio in Wadsworth assisting is the project. (www.brushtips.studio) (www.accessthearts.net)



OUR FIRESTORM PARTNER HAS MOVED!

Dan Stilla, owner of Firestorm Gear, LLC., has been a friend, partner, and supporter of us for several years. He has donated numerous items to us simply because he is a great guy and is community-minded. We appreciate him and just want you to know that he has moved to his new location at 218 North Court street here in Medina. We wish him all the best in his new store!



(www.firestormgear.com)



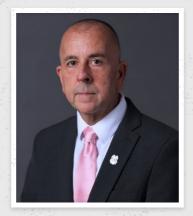
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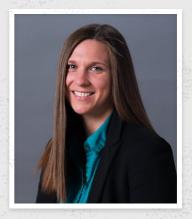
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