#### **JANUARY 2025 VOLUNTEER NEWSLETTER**

The Webster Community Chest is expanding programs to help more in our community. This means we need you even more!

Hello and thank you for offering to volunteer your time with the Webster Community Chest.

This month's newsletter is filled with information about current volunteer opportunities. Our wonderful volunteer coordinator, Mary Kay, would be happy to call you if you have any questions or would like to discuss WCC volunteer opportunities further. Please send an email to <a href="webcommchest@gmail.com">webcommchest@gmail.com</a> with your phone number and any questions and information if you would like her to call you.

#### **CURRENT VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

### We need a Sign Team!

We are looking for three to four volunteers to set up and maintain the Chest's Annual Fund Drive sign. This is a large, metal, three-piece sign that is assembled and placed at the Fireman's Field. Pieces are somewhat heavy. As donations are received, small panels are added to the thermometer that show our progress against goal. Contact <a href="mailto:mgrenier@frontiernet.net">mgrenier@frontiernet.net</a> if you would like to take this on for us. We know that community awareness of the chest is not high and this helps.

### Consider Volunteering to be a Director

We also need a few volunteers to serve on the Board of Directors. The Directors make decisions on spending and aid requests and on special activities. The Board of Directors meets seven times/year (Jan, Feb, Apr, Jun, Sep, Oct, Nov) usually on the third Tuesday and we are looking for anyone interested in joining a fun, friendly board that does great work in our community.

Help the Webster Community Chest continue to help our neighbors. Please contact us by phone at (585) 671-2060 or by email at <a href="webcommchest@gmail.com">webcommchest@gmail.com</a> if you might be interested.

#### Committee Membership

We have several committees supporting the Chest that need volunteers:

**Do you like to write?** Join our marketing and publicity committee and write articles on the Chest's activities for the Webster Herald and the Chamber of Commerce's ebulletin. Produce a short newsletter for our donors. Produce news blurbs for our website and social media.

**Are you artistic?** Help create posters and flyers for events and mailings. Help create postings for our website and social media.

**Can you do data entry?** Fund drive donations are entered into our Excel spreadsheet. No special skill is required, simply take the information on the donation slips and update the information. Some typing required, but not much. It's simple and we'll show you everything you need to know. This would be a great help.

Please contact us by phone at (585) 671-2060 or by email at <a href="webcommchest@gmail.com">webcommchest@gmail.com</a> if you might be interested and a board member will contact you to answer any questions you may have.

## Meal Center: Food Drives & Bags

The food committee will be meeting soon and welcomes anyone who would like to join. This committee is an active one and we ask for monthly participation. We also encourage and consider any suggestions from anyone. Have an idea? Let us know.

Our Meal Center always needs food donations & bags with handles!

Any donations can be brought to our monthly food distributions or dropped off at the Webster Public Library (look for the drop off bin labeled "Webster Community Chest").

If you or someone you know would like to coordinate a food drive for our meal center, please let us know. Thank you!

We would like to hold a "Fill the Van" food drive and we are looking for volunteers interested in working on this event. We have the van, we need the food donations, we just need you to help us make this happen!

Our Meal Center is a perfect location to hold a DRIVE-UP Donation Drive. Would you like to organize one for us? We will supply the place & volunteers to receive the food... we just need YOU or YOUR organization/company/group to organize a drive for us! Let us know if you are interested! For example, Doodlebugs Webster just collected 10 large boxes (decorated by the children) of food for our Meal Center. Thank you, <a href="Doodlebugs!">Doodlebugs!</a> To see our ingredient list, click on this link and scroll down to bottom section of page: <a href="https://webcommchest.org/meal-center">https://webcommchest.org/meal-center</a>

If anyone knows of an additional potential donation drop off place, please let us know. We can always use more.

Do you have ideas for recipes for meals that we can add to our Meal Center repertoire? Please send a list to this email address for us to look into. Thank you!

# Do you crochet?

We are still looking for volunteers to crochet reusable washcloths! We have a pattern and they are very, very simple to make. We want to include them in our upcoming distributions. Please let us know if you are interested in trying some! UPDATE: Did you see the blog that Missy wrote about our Webster YAA (Yarn Artist Army)? <a href="https://websterontheweb.com/2024/11/01/yarn-artists-needed/">https://websterontheweb.com/2024/11/01/yarn-artists-needed/</a>

Thank you for your continued support of the Webster Community Chest and our community.

Thank you!

Your Friends at the Webster Community Chest