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Attention:

*Our Facebook page is currently down.
Please check out our website or our new Instagram account @cwhumanservices.*

HAPPY NEW YEAR

2025

It is hard to believe the holidays have come and gone. It has been a busy quarter here and we have lots to update you on!

Food Outreach Updates

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Food Drives & Fundraisers

- ~Trick or Treat for Food-1,902 items were collected
- ~Pizza For Food (Indian Trail Elementary School) - 485 items were donated
- ~Pumpkins Helping People - \$3,037.40 were raised for our food pantry

Quarterly Stats for The Community Food Pantry & Market Day Programs

- ~We served 2,481 people and provided 26,892 meals.
- ~We gave out 33,033 pounds of food.
- ~We served 51 new households this quarter.

Feeding Our Future (2024-2025 school year)

3,500 Meals Provided to date
128 Average Students Served per Week

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Senior Transportation Outreach Updates

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Giving Tuesday Fundraiser

This year we participated in Giving Tuesday to raise funds for our newly awarded handicap accessible rear load minivan. These funds would cover our cost of this vehicle equipped with features tailored to the needs of our seniors, including easy entry and exit, space for mobility aids, a Q-Straint electric retractable securement system, and graphics. Despite our Facebook page going down during this campaign, our amazing supporters did not let us down! Between the generous matching offer of \$10,000 and our giving community, we were able to raise the \$20,000 needed for this project.

Quarterly Stats for Monday-Friday Transportation & Group Trips

~We provided 1,141 one - way trips.

~We drove 9,587 miles this quarter.

Community Outreach Updates

Adopt A Family



One of our favorite programs is Adopt A Family. The kindness & joy that is seen and experienced during this program is priceless. This year with the help of our adopters and our team of elves, we were able to help 255 people of which 174 were children.

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Senior Outreach Updates

Fall Community Care Day

The Canal Winchester High School golf team and Indian's Club did a wonderful job helping the local senior citizens and Canal Winchester Human Services prepare their yards and garden beds for the winter season. The seniors and students benefit from this program so much and we are fortunate to be able to help make this happen every year.



Senior Fun Trips

We are planning more trips for 2025 but a few have already been posted. More information about our trips can be found on our website, the Canal Winchester Senior Club newsletter, and the Canal Winchester Community Center.

Tuesday Senior Lunch

The 3rd Tuesday of every month, Canal Winchester Human Services prepares and serves the Tuesday Senior Lunch meal. Seniors can take part of this meal by paying \$5.00 or donating the items asked for that month.

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Upcoming Events

SOUPer Bowl XIV (Sunday, February 9th)

It is hard to believe that SOUPer Bowl XIV will be here soon! Please see the flyer attached to this email for more information. We can't wait to see everyone!

One For The Cupboard (TBA)

Every year during Lent, Carm Smith (CornerSmiths) walks from her store to Canal Winchester Human Services. She collects donations (monetary & physical) for the Community Food Pantry. Keep an eye out for more information in the upcoming months.

Community Easter Egg Hunt (Saturday, April 12th)

Canal Winchester Human Services, in cooperation with the City of Canal Winchester will host this free family-friendly event. The hunt will be held at McGill Park (located at 6725 Lithopolis-Winchester Rd) and begins promptly at 10:00am. Please arrive early to visit with the Easter Bunny and scope out the best hunting spot!



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Staff Highlights

We wanted to share why some of our staff members are grateful for their employment with Canal Winchester Human Services.

Aletha (Director)

I am blessed to work with a wonderful staff and giving community. The relationships I have made are invaluable, and it's always fulfilling to bless someone going through a tough time.

Anna (Program Coordinator)

I am incredibly grateful for my job here at Canal Winchester Human Services. Each day, I feel blessed to work alongside amazing coworkers who make this job enjoyable and fulfilling. This position has provided me with the unique opportunity to support individuals in need on many levels, and I am especially thankful for the chance to witness the goodness in people firsthand. In a world where it's easy to focus on negativity, this job serves as a reminder of the kindness and strength that still thrive in our community.

Alannah (Pantry Coordinator)

I am grateful for my position at Canal Winchester Services, as it provides me with the opportunity to assist others in meaningful ways. Observing the significant impact of our Community Food Pantry on individuals and families is truly rewarding. Additionally, this role allows me to positively influence the lives of others and bring a sense of joy during challenging times.

Larry (Driver)

I'm thankful to work at a place where everyone gets along with each other because we are all there to help others.

Greg (Driver)

It gives me great pleasure to be of assistance to those that need it. And I have met so many wonderful, interesting people.