



Volunteer at HHFP!

Would you like to volunteer at Hospitality House? We would love to have you!

To learn more about volunteering: call the Pantry at 248-960-9975 or stop by our website at hhfp.org.

We can do more when we work together.



From the Desk of Donovan Neal, Hospitality House Executive Director



The past 12 months have been truly challenging for us all. With the advent of the coronavirus we have had to make adjustments in nearly every aspect of our lives. Through these monumental changes, you have continued to support Hospitality House. Hospitality House is fortunate to be buoyed by such wonderful benefactors, volunteers and well-wishers. You were not deterred and your efforts has allowed us to weather the brunt of this continuing storm. Because of your generosity and, despite our inability to do event-based fundraising, Hospitality House was relentless in feeding our neighbors. And our ability to service the Lakes Area and beyond was not diminished. This year we have given out more food than ever, while also assisting individuals and families in need of car repairs, temporary shelter and utility assistance. None of it would have happened without the combined efforts of our community and for that we are eternally grateful. As we enter 2021, we enter with hope and the momentum of knowing that not only have we have not closed our doors, or reduced hours, but have positioned Hospitality House for ever more fruitful endeavors moving forward. On behalf of Hospitality House's Board of Directors, clients, staff and volunteers: thank you for ensuring that our struggling neighbors receive assistance. As we celebrate 20 years of service at Hospitality House, we are excited for what the future holds.



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Celebrate for Good!

Is your birthday coming up? Do you have a Facebook account? Celebrate your day by making a difference in the lives of others: create a Facebook fundraiser in support of Hospitality House! Visit facebook.com/fund/hhfoodpantry, select a goal and let Facebook do the rest!



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Celebrating 20 Year of Service to the Lakes Area

February 14, 2021 marks Hospitality House's 20th birthday! We are proud to have served the needs of families in our community for the past 20 years. We know that we don't do this work alone: we are grateful for the support we receive year after year from our volunteers, our donors and our community. We are better able to help the most vulnerable people in our community because of your care and support.



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Santa Shop 2020 Update

Thank you again for making our 2020 Hospitality House Santa Shop possible under such unusual circumstances. The children of over 165 families received holiday gifts through our 2020 Santa Shop.

While we could not host our normal event due to COVID restrictions, we utilized a GoFundMe campaign that helped raise funds to provide gift cards for each child. We are grateful for all of you who supported those online efforts.

We especially want to say thank you to Les and Sandy of Wixom Towing for helping fill stockings, to Laura Strohl and Sarah Carner for handling packing and shopping for stockings, as well as to Ray Sherlock, Peg Slate, Shannon Hughes, Linda Raye and Margaret Hawke, among many others, who made this very special annual event a possibility.



Champions During a Crisis: Thank You For Your Support!



Thank you, Williams International!

Thank you to Williams International employees and family, who recently donated over \$30,000. Williams International's generous support of Hospitality House is



appreciated and admired. Thank you!

Outrun Hunger 2020



Despite challenges from COVID-19, the Outrun Hunger 5K run/walk had a record year, raising more than \$23,000 to support families in the Lakes Area. The event proceeds surpassed their goal of \$20,000, raising \$23,181.37 that was distributed equally between Hospitality House and Open Door Outreach Center.

In 2020, Outrun Hunger raised \$33,877 to benefit both charity partners through pandemic fundraising in June and the 5K charity event. Their fundraising fed 1,693 families!

"I want to personally thank the community for showing up and supporting those in need," Race Director Kari Cotter said. "Whether you joined us in-person, sponsored or donated, you were a huge part of Outrun Hunger's 10th annual charity event's record success."

According to Cotter, this year's event featured 249 racers, 51 volunteers, 113 donors and 12 sponsors.

Donovan Neal, executive director of Hospitality House, remarked on the success of Outrun Hunger. "Outrun Hunger continues to be a stabilizing force during these challenging times. With over \$11,000 raised for Hospitality House, the participants, organizers and sponsors continue to impact the Lakes Area community through this wonderful event. These funds could not have come at a better time; the holiday season is when we typically receive the most cries for help. This year is no different, and Hospitality House expects to distribute turkeys to over 400 households this year. We are forever grateful to Kari Cotter, Grace Church and all those involved in helping to make this year's event a success."



The Student Pantry Finds a New Home

Hospitality House is a proud supporter and partner of the Student Pantry. This past summer, the group officially became a 501c3 organization and moved! The Student Pantry's new headquarters is located at 8318 Cooley Lake Road in Commerce Township.



The Student Pantry launched in 2014 when Sydney Urbaniak, a then-middle school student, realized that many of her classmates were in need of clothes, school supplies and food. "I couldn't believe that there were so many students in Walled Lake who were without food when many families in the same area are so wealthy. We have been growing since 2014 but the COVID-19 pandemic accelerated the need. We outgrew my garage and had to find a larger space," said Urbaniak, now a senior at Walled Lake Central High School.

2020: Hospitality House's Year in Review

- Provided 4 months of emergency housing to Oakland County families
 - Distributed nearly 52,000 pounds of food per month
 - Provided food assistance to 516 new families
- Distributed over \$5,000 in utility assistance to qualifying Oakland County residents
- Backpacks and school supplies provided to over 100 children
- Doubled the number of individuals assisted via Pit Stop, Hospitality House's auto repair program
- Santa Shop, Hospitality House's holiday program, provided holiday gifts to the children of 165 client families
- Hired three additional temporary employees through the Oakland Together Community Response and Recovery Fund, established by the Oakland County Executive and Board of Commissioners and administered by United Way for Southeastern Michigan
- Provided clients with a total of 621,683 pounds of food: the most in the organization's 20 year history!



Western Oakland Transportation Authority Delivery Partnership

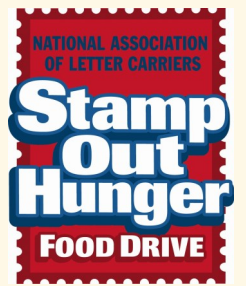
Hospitality House, Western Oakland Transportation Authority (WOTA) and Open Door Outreach Center recently announced their collaboration to provide monthly food delivery service for clients in need.

WOTA provides transportation to seniors (55 and older) and disabled adults (18 and older) who are residents of Highland, Walled Lake, Waterford and White Lake. Open Door Outreach Center and Hospitality House provide food and financial assistance to the most vulnerable in these communities.

Hospitality House clients living in the city of Walled Lake can now sign up to have food delivered to their door. It's a wonderful new collaboration and we are elated to be a part of it!

Event Calendar

May 8, 2021
Stamp Out Hunger



May 31, 2021
City of Walled Lake
Memorial Day Parade



August 30, 2021
5th Annual Hospitality House
Golf Outing at
Edgewood Country Club

