



#### **ACCOUNTABILITY IN ACTION**

Responsibility is a signature sign of success. As Earl gives case manager Carina his rent check he demonstrates great strides toward self-sufficiency. Congrats, Earl!



#### **REBUILDING LIVES**

Amanda (L) and Janice (R) are joined by their Women's Housing case manager, Samantha (center) during their internship service in the kitchen. With goals established, both are working to rebuild their lives one day at a time.



# FAITHFUL SUPPORTER IN ACTION

Kitchen manager, Cathy, welcomes Merle Bergsten as he delivers food to be served by our Board at lunch. Merle is the father of CP Board director, Lesly Couper. He faithfully shops and delivers meal items.



#### **ACTIONS SPEAK LOUDER THAN WORDS**

Faithfulness, joyfulness and kindness are virtues our volunteer, Jane, demonstrates beautifully. With a cheerful smile and loving heart she has done guests' laundry every Friday for 14 years!



# **WARM HEARTS, WARM FEET**

The snow came in January and our boot stock went to zero. Through the love and generosity of community members, many guests received boots, and we continue to provide to more each day.





#### **KEYS TO SUCCESS**

Connie & Brent are ready to set off on their new bikes. Transportation is critical for success.



#### **ARTISTIC EXPRESSION**

Our art room is the perfect place for guests to express their thoughts and feelings creatively.

# **COMMUNITY SUPPORT**

Rock Valley College professor, Dr. Matt Oakes, delivers sack lunches prepared for our guests by RVC faculty during their January conference. Community outreach is an admirable hallmark of Rock Valley College!

# DURING JANUARY 8 GUESTS SECURED FULL-TIME JOBS

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#### COFFEE POT DONATION

Riverside Community Church heard our need for a new coffee pot and generously donated funds to purchase one. Kitchen manager, PREPARATION IS KEY Cathy, is deeply grateful. She knows hot coffee is appreciated by our guests on cold mornings.



#### IN-KIND DONATION

Paper products donated by Winnebago United Methodist Church were gratefully received by our guests.



#### **GENEROUS HEARTS**

Kathy, Nicole and Noah Villarreal provided and served breakfast to our guests. It's wonderful when kindness is a family affair.



Chris (top), Tom (bottom), & Nick (R) completed mock interviews with CP employment program volunteers. They are now set for the real thing! Good luck with your job search.



#### COMMUNITY PARTNERS

Case manager, Emily, is happy to collect the socks from the donation bin at Dr. Schmidt's office. Our community partners make life better for our guests every day.



# YOUNG HEARTS GIVING BACK

Rockford Christian student, Kylie, knit scarves and collected back packs for the women of CP housing. Talent and kindness is a powerful combination!



### **STEPS TO SUCCESS**

Congratulations to Marc for his successful completion of the Rosecrance Flourish Group.

- BUTTER OR MARGARINE
- HOT SAUCE
- POWDER DRINK MIXES
- CAN OPENERS
- SHOWER CURTAINS
- MEN'S JEANS SIZES 28 TO 34 WAIST

Donations can be dropped off at Carpenter's Place Mon - Fri: 8:30am - 4pm. Or, call Stacy to make special arrangements: 815-964-4105. Thanks!

## PIZZA! PIZZA!

Patty Powers brought miles of smiles to those at CP as she provided pizza for lunch.



#### **USEFUL SKILLS LEARNED**

Tiara has purpose! She's working in our internship program, completed mock interviews, and knows a job is in her future.



# INTERN OF THE MONTH

Tom brought hard work and dedication to the internship program. His determination is valued and appreciated!

