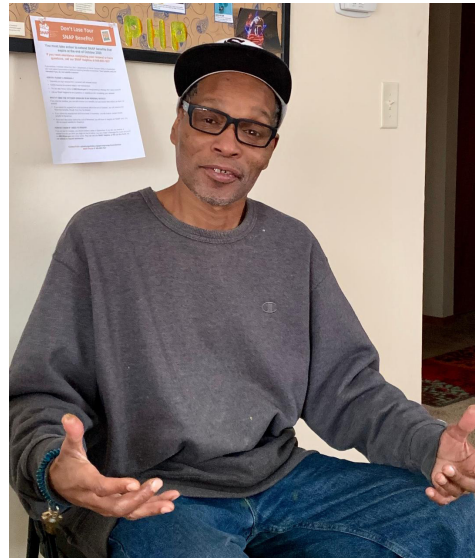


2021

FEBRUARY

CARPENTER'S PLACE MONTH IN REVIEW



THE GIFT OF SIGHT

With his new stylish glasses, Dana is very happy to be able to see! Vision services are made possible through special grants.



BOUNTIFUL VALENTINE'S BUFFET

Sheralyn stands next to the bountiful Valentine's buffet provided by Kay and Pat of Womanspace for the Women's Housing Program.



SUCCESS HOUSE VALENTINE'S DAY PARTY

Case Manager Tina (left) and the case manager team arranged a lovely Valentine's party for Success House residents who appreciated and enjoyed the fun!



TWICE BLESSED WITH NURSING STUDENTS

We had the pleasure of hosting two NIU Nursing Students at Carpenter's Place. They worked in our Homeless Guest Services area. Pictured are Kirsten, (left) and Macy (right) with Rebecca, a CP Case Manager in the middle. The two young women are scheduled to graduate with their Bachelor's Degree in Nursing December 2021.



VISIT FROM A LONG-TIME FRIEND

We were thrilled with a visit from Mike, the first Veteran to enter our Veterans Housing Program (VHP) in June 2008! Mike, a US Air Force Veteran is pictured with Rebecca, our VHP Case Manager. We are so proud of Mike! His life is going great! We celebrate his success and thank him for his service to our country.



PIZZA PARTY FOR V-DAY >>>

Residents of our Permanent Housing Program enjoyed a Valentine's Day pizza party with festive treats and gifts.

FEBRUARY MILESTONES

Homeless adults in our Case Management Program achieved the following milestones in February:



7 guests obtained housing



2 guest secured employment
(1 full-time)

OPEN MEAL DATES FOR APRIL



We serve breakfast and lunch to our guests Monday through Friday. We have many openings in April! To inquire about a specific date, connect with Patti.

EMAIL: Patti at CPengagement@carpentersplace.org
PHONE: 815-964-4105 x216



GAME DAY BINGO

CP guests were treated to a Super Bowl game day complete with Bingo and Treats! Crystal, Director of Guest Services was MC, Case Manager Jenny helped organize the fun, and intern Sheralyn prepared treats!



SPECIAL VALENTINE'S DAY PACKAGES FOR FAMILY SERVICES PROGRAM

CP Family Services Case Managers, Jo Ann and Brianna, sit with the gifts they prepared to deliver to our families (33 parents and 61 children) for Valentine's Day to "share the love" and celebrate the tradition of caring. On the right is one of the adorable kiddos in our program checking out his special Valentine.



WELCOMING BACK VOLUNTEERS

Day by cautious day, CP is making adjustments to welcome back volunteers. Among the firsts are Devotion Leaders, like Mike Hendryx pictured here. It's great to get back to our community connections and celebrating Our Father.



V-DAY FOR VETS

Reggie from our Veterans Housing Program was grateful to receive Valentine gifts from CP.



BEHIND THE SCENES

Housing Case Manager, Jenny prepares for a Valentine's gathering for the residents of her Permanent Housing Program. Celebrations are fun and build community.

HAND-MADE MASK DONATION

Sarah Meyer attends Lee University. For her school-required service hours, she and her mom, Catherine, made masks for CP. Such a blessing!

CRITICAL NEEDS FOR MARCH

CLEANING SUPPLIES

- Bleach
- Pine Sol
- Dryer Sheets (for Family Services)



KITCHEN

- Coffee stir sticks – 5 inch
- Individual creamer
- Individual sugar packets
- Sandwich bags (don't need to be zip lock)
- Bottled water

MISC.

- Kids plastic plates and tumblers (for Family Services)
- Individual size shampoo and conditioner



YOUNG PROFESSIONALS BOARD PROVIDES PIZZA LUNCH

Andrea of our CP Young Professionals Board (YPB) was grateful Karl and Richard helped carry in the pizza, cookies, and beverages she delivered on behalf of YPB for our guests' lunch. If you are interested in learning more about our YPB, please contact Aaron Vaiden at aaronvaiden@gmail.com. New members are always welcome and appreciated.

For a complete list of needs visit www.carpentersplace.org/donations/critical-needs-list/

Mail-in donations are always wonderful. If you plan to deliver in-person, please coordinate with Patti: 815-964-4105 ext. 216 CPengagement@carpentersplace.org



FAMILY SERVICES PROGRAM UPDATE FOR FEBRUARY

- » 28 Families were served (33 adults, 70 children, 3 unborn)
- » 2 Families obtained housing (2 adults, 6 children)
- » 3 Heads of household secured employment (2 full-time)