

2023



CARPENTER'S PLACE™

PROVIDING THE TOOLS FOR REBUILDING LIVES™

JULY

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MEET TWO GREAT HOUSING GUESTS

Anyone walking through the doors of Carpenter's Place will see our guests helping volunteers, donors, and staff in various ways. Two special men in our Success House Program have gone above and beyond: Tim and Abner. Tim helps keep our donation room organized and clean, which allows our case managers to continue to give needed items to those we serve. Abner has been an enormous help in bringing in donations and recently has become a part of our kitchen staff. Both these men give of their time while learning new skills as they begin to rebuild their lives. Our staff is extremely grateful for their help and support!



Tim



Abner

A CLOSER LOOK: FAMILY SERVICES PROGRAM

In May 2018, Carpenter's Place launched our Family Services Program to meet the needs of our community. This program is based on accountability and full engagement of the family in rebuilding their lives. The immediate goal is to make every attempt to address any crisis situation, especially where safety is involved; the intermediate goal is to identify and access services needed to help the family gain stability; and the long-term goal is to have families be self-supporting, contributing members of our community. This work is done through our comprehensive, intensive case management program addressing 16 areas of life for parents and children. Ultimately, resolution of need may require additional referrals, telephone advocacy, or by accompanying families to their appointments with other community agencies.



BIG ACHIEVEMENTS, SMALL PACKAGES



Ja'Siaah and Roger are all smiles as they celebrate their pre-K graduations. No matter the age, we love to celebrate all the milestones of those in our Family Services program. We are so proud of our little graduates!



WHO WE SERVE

CP has been providing services to homeless adults for over 23 years!

- An average of **80** adults coming to our Railroad location each day;
- In June 2023, we had **70** new homeless adults walk through our doors;
- We can house **21** adults in our transitional housing program, and **12** adults in our permanent supportive program.

In May 2018, we expanded our services to working with families in crisis. We currently have:

- **22** families
- **24** adults and **55** children.

MEETING THE NEED

GET TO KNOW...CRYSTAL



Crystal Walker is our Director of Family Services. Her work with the agency began in 2015 and she returned to Carpenter's Place in 2020 as the Director of Guests Service before taking a leap of faith to lead the Family Services program. Crystal is a Rockford native

and is very passionate about her work in the community. She is a dedicated agent of change, whose faith and compassion to see God's work in the lives of those we serve is what drives her each and every day.

JULY NEEDS

- Men's Jeans/Shorts: Waist sizes 28-38
- Women's Shorts: All Sizes
- Adult Backpacks
- Bath Towels
- 8 oz Disposable Cups
- Sugar
- Garbage Bags (33 and 55 gal sizes)

If you have any questions regarding our in-kind needs, please do not hesitate to reach out to Mandy at MandyB@carpentersplace.org.

OPEN MEALS

AUGUST:

BREAKFAST: 1, 4, 7, 9, 14, 15, 16, 21, 23, 29, 30

LUNCH: 2, 3, 7, 8, 15, 16, 29, 30, 31

TO SECURE A DATE:

Email

MandyB@carpentersplace.org

or call Mandy at 779-210-2975.

To make a **DONATION**, visit:
<http://weblink.donorperfect.com/CPonlinedonation>.

Become a Monthly Donor

Join REBUILD! The REBUILD donation program is a community of monthly supporters committed to caring for individuals and families experiencing homelessness. Monthly donors are the backbone of Carpenter's Place, making it possible for us to plan, budget, and make decisions based on our available resources, ensuring we can continue rebuilding the lives of our guests. As a REBUILD member, you will make a meaningful impact on someone's life and provide hope and the tools for a better tomorrow.

With a few simple steps, you can set up automatic monthly donations. When setting up your account, indicate how you wish to make your donation, by credit card or through your bank account, by clicking the appropriate button on the form. Set up your account at:

<http://weblink.donorperfect.com/CPmonthlygiving>



NEWS AND EVENTS



This program sponsored in part by
 ROCKFORD PARK DISTRICT

Carpenter's Place was awarded a grant from the Rockford Park District, which enables our guests to partake in various Park District programs. Recently the Birds of Prey program came to CP, allowing our guests to hear and learn about various birds. The trainer shared that all the birds in the program suffered from previous ailments and can no longer survive on their own in the wild.

CELEBRATE SUCCESS

Please join us in celebration of 23 years of service and success, changed lives, and the extraordinary partnerships helping open doors as our guests make their journey forward.

Wednesday, August 23 • 11:00 am – 1:00 pm
Tebala Event Center

7910 Newburg Road, Rockford, IL 61107

Doors Open at 11:00 am • Program Starts at 11:30 am

Individual Ticket \$45 • Table of Eight \$360
Table Sponsorship \$500

Reserve your tickets online at www.carpentersplace.org



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