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~ THE END IS IN SIGHT ~

There are only a couple of weeks left until we announce how much the community has invested into our 2019 Campaign! We still have about 20% of our goal to raise - that's about \$240,000. This means it's crunch time! As our Campaign Celebration approaches, ask yourself:



- * Have I submitted my 2019 Contribution? Due: January 20th
- * Did I share the "I gave... Did you?" badge on my social media?
 ~ Download: www.uwstclair.org/I_Gave_Did_You
- * Have I asked my family and friends to share my support? We can make a greater impact together! www.uwstclair.org/WhyGive
- * Did I RSVP for the Campaign Celebration event? Due: January 17th
 ~ Register: www.uwstclair.org/Calendar
- * Am I able to Give A Little Bit more to help us reach our goal?
 ~ Call our office to increase your pledge: 810.985.8169 ext. 117
 ~ Make a separate one-time contribution: www.uwstclair.org/Contribute

\$1,208,000



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THANK you

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An example of the wonders that your generosity supports:
 Presented by:
 Cypress Place
 Street Outreach Drop-in Center . . .

WHY GIVE?

A 16 year old male struggling with potential homelessness due to threats of being kicked-out of his home participates at Cypress Place to utilize its services. This youth does not have regular access to laundry facilities or showers so he comes in every week to do his laundry and take a shower on the days we are open.



Cypress Place has been able to provide him with hygiene, clothes, and food while at the program. He enjoys vegan food, which the center is able to provide, and playing video games with other clients. The youth has participated in life skills groups held at the center such as budgeting, career readiness, and proper personal hygiene. One of our staff also provided him with one-on-one career planning. He continues to be a valued client that utilizes services at Cypress Place.



From our:
Teaching Youth Life Skills
 Impact Area



~ TIS THE SEASON FOR LOVE ~



How do you spread holiday cheer?



We caught wind of something some of our supporters did and wanted to share this happy tale...

~ GOOD TIDINGS OF GREAT JOY ~

Lakestone Bank and a local family heard through the grape vine of another family nearby that was really struggling this past month. Their compassion propelled them to join forces and anonymously adopt this family for the holiday season. Hopes of filling the family's home with excitement and wonder for the children on Christmas morning were fulfilled. The family was delighted by the kindness and generosity they received as a Christmas surprise!

So many residents of our county share this philanthropic nature and spread cheer in this heartwarming way. Thank you for lifting up our neighbors and being a shining light in their darkness!

LABORS OF LOVE

Looking to do more ~ beyond your contribution?

Discover **Care Kits** for each of our Impact Areas ↓

uwstclair.org/ImpactAreas



DO YOU HAVE TIME TO VOLUNTEER?

We have many volunteer opportunities available throughout the year! Whether you are looking to volunteer for a couple of hours, days, weeks, months, or an annual commitment, we have something for you! Our volunteer opportunities range from yard and maintenance work, to office administration projects, to committees. Contact our Volunteer Coordinator, Julie, if you are interested!

CURRENTLY SEEKING:

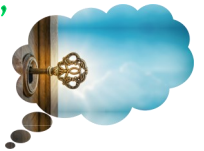
Household Handy Person Volunteer

- * Light household repairs & maintenance
- * Basic yardwork
- * Medical Loan Closet organization



GIVE A LITTLE BIT OF YOUR TIME, TREASURE, AND TALENT...

and unlock the way to new possibilities



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LIVE UNITED



Don't miss out on events!

Keep up-to-date with our online calendar: www.uwstclair.org/Calendar
Online registration will be available for our events unless otherwise noted.

DATES TO REMEMBER

* Stay tuned for details.

Campaign Celebration
January 29th

St. Patrick's Day Breakfast
March 17th

Annual Meeting
April 30th

Freighter Trip Raffle
April 30th



~ EMERGENCY FOOD & SHELTER PROGRAM ~

The Federal Emergency Food and Shelter Program (EFSP) provides funding for agencies delivering basic human service needs to victims of personal crisis and unemployment.

We have identified food and shelter community needs and are providing assistance in coordinating and collaborating resources to fulfill these needs. The management and accountability we provide through our local EFSP Board Organization are necessary to increase government funding for St. Clair County. This past year, \$165,944 (Phase 35 & 36) was distributed throughout the county to approved service providers.

Organizations that have recently received EFSP funding include Blue Water Safe Horizons, The Harbor, Salvation Army, Downriver Helping Hands, Downriver Bread of Life Nutrition Center, Blue Water Community Food Depot (Port Huron), Harbor Impact Ministries, Trinity United Methodist Food Pantry (Algonac), SOS Marysville Food Pantry, Blue Water Area Rescue Mission, Detroit Rescue Mission (Port Huron Pathway Shelter), Mid City Nutrition, and the C3 Connection.



United Way of St. Clair County's Mission is...

to mobilize the community of St. Clair County to raise funds and/or resources to meet identified human service needs with the highest level of accountability and community involvement.