



Central Avenue Center of Hope Newsletter

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A Place Where All are Welcome

Summer 2022

Greetings from the Site Director:

Hope this finds you all staying cool and out of the heat. First of all, I want to thank you all for your faithful donations and support. You have been so great in helping this ministry to continue to help those in need.

Things have been busy at the Center over the last couple of months. We have been serving 25 to 30 lunches a day. There has been more shoppers in the thrift store with warmer weather.



We have things coming up soon at the Center. July 1st we will have 2 Ser-Job people to help us again. It's been 2 years since they have been at the Center. It will take a couple of weeks to get them trained again.

We hope to re-open the Center mid-July. Serving lunch inside, offering showers, and the doors will be open for shoppers with no limits. We are looking for groups, congregations, and individuals that would be willing to come cook, serve the meal, or just help with everyday things. If anyone is interested please call me or come visit the Center for details.

We have a couple of collection drives starting soon. We will have our Christmas in July toy and games drive. We are trying to get a head start on the Holiday Season. We will have our Paper Goods Drive August 28th through October 9th. Good luck to all the congregations that work for the most items donated.

Thank you again for your generous giving. Please remember the Center's staff in your prayers during the summer months and the heat.

Blessings
Marsha

Things go faster serving more people and the numbers will continue to go up during the summer months. Here's a list of items we can always use:

Lunches & Kitchen & Pantry: Pudding cups, snack items, water, fruit cups, slice cheese, dill pickles, ranch & Italian dressings (for pasta salads), cookies, sandwich bags, toilet tissue, dish soap, toothpaste

Hygiene bags: Razors, deodorant, sm. pkg. hand wipes

Thrift Store: clothes, household items (kitchen, linens, decors, nic nacs), hardware, shop items, garden items, furniture we take almost anything

If you have a question about donations call me. We don't have enough people to pick-up items.

Marsha Nave 913-233-2511 M-F 8am to 12pm

Postal Food Drive May 14th, 2022

In May we were blessed with receiving the food from the Postal Food Drive. We picked up food from 3 Post Offices, Wyandotte West KCKS, Roberts KCKS, and one in Olathe KS. We had 16,647 pounds of food. We are still sorting the can goods, we have to check the dates and sort it by types of food. Unfortunately lots of it was out dated. We still have over 4,000 pounds that have good dates. The Kansas Health Dept. will not allow us to hand out or use out dated food.

Thank you to people from First People Community of Christ and the Highlands Community of Christ for coming and helping sort it out. Thank you to Terry Allen, Kerry Lukenbill, Francisco, and Mike Nave for using your trucks to pick up the items. There were 16 pick-up loads of food. Thank you to the Minthorn Family, Hnatyshyn Family, some Renfest volunteers who came to help unload on May 14th. We could not have done this without all of your help!



CHRISTMAS

IN

JULY!

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Toys for our Christmas store which allows parents and grandparents to shop for one toy for each child. These children will not receive a present Christmas morning without your generosity. We need clean, unwrapped new or gently used **TOYS** of all kinds.

ART
SUPPLIES

Books, Coloring Books
& Art Supplies

DOLLS

& Dollhouses

BABY

Baby Toys

Sports games

Ride-on
Toys



Cars, Trucks
& Trains



Games



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Thank you to all who help with this ministry! We couldn't do it without you.

Upcoming Events:

Christmas in July Toy Drive

Thanksgiving Meal November 24th

School Supply Drive in August

Christmas Store and Meal December 23rd

Paper Drive in August 28th-Oct 9th

**Appreciation Dinner September 17th
@Highlands Community of Christ Church**