



# Central Avenue Center of Hope Newsletter

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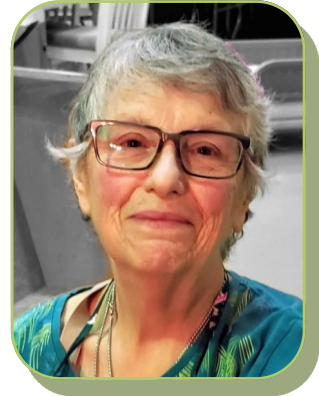


**A Place Where All are Welcome**

**Winter 2022**

Greetings from the Site Director:

Things are going well in this new year so far. Our Christmas programs were very successfully. We helped 17 families with gifts for the children in their lives. We handed out 24 Elderly Food Baskets. We had over 50 meals for our Christmas meal plus everyone got a gift. We let the clients take what they needed with the leftover toys, children items and the holiday items left in the store. Everyone enjoyed and appreciated the Center's Christmas. Thank you all for your support, prayers and donations for making Christmas special for many people.



We are hoping that the COVID Viruses calm down soon so we can re-open to a new normal. We want to start groups coming back to help cook the lunch time meal (even if we are still serving out the window) maybe in March when weather won't be an issue. **If you have a group or an individual interested in doing that let me know. The Center will have the menu and food to prepare the meal.**

I'm proud of our dedicated Volunteers: Lisa, Francisco, Mike, Jeri Lynn and Duke. There are days it's nonstop for them and they still keep coming back. Since we are shorthanded, we are looking for volunteers to come and help with donation drop offs, making school supplies bags and hygiene bags for a day or two. We need help with vacuuming, sweeping and mopping now and then until our Ser-Job people are back with us. If you want to help let me know. We never know what kind of day we'll have until it comes.—Marsha Nave

## **List of items we use all the time:**

**Kitchen:** bottled water, fruit cups, snacks, chips, sliced cheese, sandwich bags, lunch bags, To go containers, trash bags (35-55 gal) toilet tissue, bleach

**Pantry:** canned vegetables, canned fruit, soups, tuna, chicken, ravioli, canned & dry beans, rice, pasta, side dishes, crackers, cereal, oatmeal, peanut butter, jelly, catsup, mustard

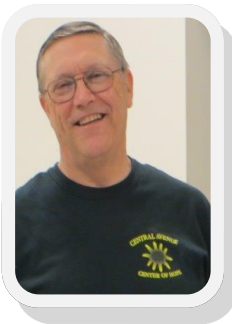
**Hygiene Bags:** shampoo, lotion, razors, toothpaste, toothbrushes, combs, female hygiene items

**Homeless:** coats, hats, gloves, boots, blankets

**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**



Central Avenue Center of Hope has been richly blessed during these hard times and especially during our Holiday season of 2021. We were able to give meals to our senior neighbors for Thanksgiving and Christmas this year.

Many of these seniors have worked all their lives and due to inflation and high costs now, are not able to have a holiday meal. Your generosity has provided not only a special meal, but gives our seniors dignity and hope.

We provided parents and grandparents a chance to provide their children presents, many of which would not have received without your donations of new and gently used toys.

Holiday meals were served to all who attended the Thanksgiving and Christmas dinners and they were given a gifts you donated as they finished their Christmas meal, which could be the only gift they will get.

We have been open during the pandemic and have had to limit our thrift store shoppers to 4 people at a time and we have a steady flow of needy shoppers almost all days we are open. This allows us to provide low cost or free household items and clothing for those who are in need.

We hope to open our showers, inside dining, and thrift store as soon as we know it is safe to do so.

We were able to replace our kitchen exhaust fan and ducts this year as well as finish our last half of the roof coating which will fix the leaks in the roof and provide a cooler roof to help with the building heat during the summer.

We are so grateful for your gifts of money, household items for the thrift store, Christmas items, pantry items, and all your prayers and support as we minister to the homeless, the needy, and the underemployed. -Kerry Lukenbill



Participated in the Elderly Meal Program  
& the Christmas Hope Program

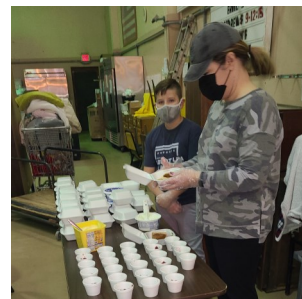


## 2021 Thanksgiving & Christmas Dinners & Christmas Gifts

Thank you to everyone that was able to be at the Thanksgiving and Christmas meals.

I am so fortunate to have good friends, family, and Chiropractic offices that are willing to come and serve.

-Missy Shields





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