

Grace Center Inc.'s mission is: providing nutritious food and promoting social interaction with commitment and grace to our rural community.

The Grace Gazette

SEPTEMBER 2011



Grace Center

701 W. Popcorn Rd.

Harrodsburg, Indiana

812-824-5595

OUR PANTRY HOURS

Pantry Hours:
Tuesdays
10:00 am-12:00 pm
Thursdays
5:00pm-7:00pm
 (Located in back of Community Hardware)
Serving Clear Creek, Indian Creek, and Polk Townships

WISH LIST GOAL:

Pop-tarts, Oatmeal, Cereal Bars, Lunch Meats, String Cheese, Chips, Fresh Fruit, Laundry Soap, Shampoo

CAN YOU HELP?

Kroger Gift Card Reload Update

Grace Center is \$3,345 away from Kroger writing us another check. Keep reloading those cards. Use your card to buy **groceries and gas!** What a great way to help Grace Center without spending any extra money!



Who can come to the Community Dinner?

EVERYONE!

How Grace Center helped the Community in July

- 288 Adults served
- 151 Children helped
- 140 Families helped
- 349 Bags of Food given
- 6 New Families Helped

Board Members:

Tina Baugh, President
 Debbie Woodward, Vice President
 Steve Fichtner, Treasurer
 Linda Brammer, Secretary
 Jim Baugh, Incorporator/Member at Large
 Clarissa Hawk, Mem. at Large

HAPPY FIFTH ANNIVERSARY GRACE CENTER

Five years ago, Grace Center, Inc. (a 100% volunteer not-for-profit organization) opened its doors to assist the people of Clear Creek, Indian Creek and Polk townships. In that time, there have been many people sharing their time, talents, effort, food, and money to help others. At this appropriate time, we wish to say thank you to any and all who have been involved in the past or present. We greatly appreciate those who have assisted patrons, stocked shelves, examined cans, recorded freezer temperatures, served on the board of directors, wrote or assembled newsletters, folded and stamped newsletters, planned fundraisers, organized food drives, shared produce, donated food or money, shopped, prepared food, cleaned, or otherwise helped in any way.



Your efforts have not been in vain. The first month the doors were open, Grace Center served 10 families. Last month, 162 families were served. In 2010, 24,869 pounds of food was purchased from or given by the Hoosier Hills Food Bank and distributed in the three southern most townships of Monroe County by Grace Center volunteers. This could not have been accomplished if not for the tireless hours sacrificed by the caring individuals of our community.



In closing, again we would like to take this opportunity to say a heartfelt thank you and we look forward to working with many of you in the future.



Harrodsburg United Methodist Church was the proud winner of the \$25 Outback gift card for donations given in July. HUMC would kindly like to 'pay it forward'. So...anyone donating during the month of September will be eligible for a \$25 Outback gift card. A name will be drawn October 3rd and listed in the November Newsletter.

Thank you donors, you are appreciated.



Would you like to see a picture of your business here? Consider donating a gift card or other items to be given away next month! Call 824-7171 for info.

Grace Center purchases the majority of the food for the pantry from Hoosier Hills Food Bank for \$.14 per pound. \$10.00 will purchase 71 pounds of food for the pantry! This is considerably less than what it would cost at a typical grocery store. If you are interested in giving a monetary donation please send it to:

Grace Center, Inc.
PO Box 5
Harrodsburg, IN 47434

WHO DOES GRACE CENTER FOOD PANTRY HELP?

Who are Indiana's Hungry? Working Poor, Newly Unemployed, Single Parent Families, Homeless, Victims of Abuse, Children, and the Elderly

Who Receives Food Assistance?

According to the Feeding America Hunger in America Executive Summary 2010, it is estimated that the emergency programs receiving food from Hoosier Hills Food Bank provide food assistance to 7,500 different people each week and 25,800 different people each year. There has been a significant increase in pounds of food distributed in the last four years suggesting growth of clients served. In 2006 Hoosier Hills Food Bank distributed 1,620,911 pounds, while from July 2008 to June 2009, Hoosier Hills Food Bank distributed 2,619,680 pounds of food.

Demographic Profile of Food Clients

- 60% emergency pantry clients are female

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Community Center Activity Calendar

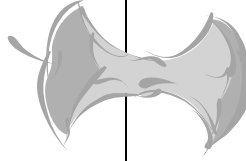
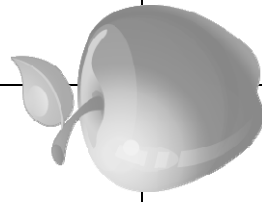
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www.gracecenterindiana.org email: gracecenterinc@gmail.com

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Food Pantry 5:00pm-7:00pm Harrodsburg Lions Club 6:30pm	2	3
4 Indian Creek Firefighters Pancake Breakfast 8 am-Noon 8019 S. Rockport Rd.	5	6 Food Pantry 10:00am-12:00pm NO Grace Center Board Meeting	7	8 Food Pantry 5:00pm-7:00pm	9	10
11	12	13 Food Pantry 10:00am-12:00pm Euchre 12:30pm-2:30pm	14	15	16	17 ★ Indian Creek Firefighters Dinner 4pm-8pm 8019 S. Rockport Rd.
18	19 Ladies Craft Night Smithville Com. Center, 6:30 Contact Patty, 824-2611	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27 Food Pantry 10am-12noon Euchre 12:30-2:30pm Community Dinner 5:30pm-7:00	28 Indian Creek Lions Club 7pm Call Lloyd at 824-9771 for location	29 Valley Mission Church of the Nazarene Free Lunch Noon-1pm Food Pantry 5:00pm-7:00pm	30	

SMITHVILLE Farmer's Market

8am-Noon



GRACE CENTER SENDS THANK YOU'S TO:

- 🍏 Riley Chaney for transporting bread donated from Kroger each week.
- 🍏 Southern Hills Church of Christ for donating 19 pounds of condiments, canned peaches, pasta and 5 canvas bags.
- 🍏 Harrodsburg United Methodist Church for donating beans and other veggie's from their community garden, plus 10 pounds of cups with lids, 51 pounds of produce and canned goods and 5 pounds of produce and household items.
- 🍏 Smithville Farmers Market for donating 102 pounds of produce, homemade bread and pies.
- 🍏 Pam Patton for donating 5 pounds of shampoo and miscellaneous items.
- 🍏 Jerry Baugh for donating 4 pounds of green beans.
- 🍏 Steve Fichtner for donating 7 pounds of miscellaneous food.
- 🍏 Jellystone Park for donating 42 pounds of bread, cooking oil, and misc. items.
- 🍏 Chuck Newton for donating 59 pounds of cucumbers from his garden.
- 🍏 Jan Brand for donating a table service for 5.
- 🍏 Daryl Anderson for donating canned goods and 87 pounds of milk.
- 🍏 Harrodsburg Assembly of God for donating 5 pounds of cucumbers.
- 🍏 Jessica Watson for donating 8 pounds of fresh produce.
- 🍏 Laura Stull for donating 7 pounds of fresh eggs.
- 🍏 Glenn Teague for donating 127 pounds of fresh produce.
- 🍏 Chris Spires for donating 22 pounds of fresh produce.
- 🍏 South Union Christian Church for donating 26 pounds of canned goods.
- 🍏 Dennis and Marnise Miller for donating 18 pounds of juice.
- 🍏 Everyone who gave monetarily.
- 🍏 All our volunteers, shoppers and helpers.

GREEN BEANS WITH CHERRY TOMATOES

1 1/2 pounds green beans, trimmed and cut into 2 inch pieces
 1 1/2 cups water
 1/4 cup butter
 1 Tablespoon sugar
 3/4 teaspoon garlic salt
 1/4 teaspoon pepper
 1 1/2 teaspoon chopped fresh basil
 2 cups cherry tomato halves

Place beans and water in a large saucepan, cover and bring to a boil. Set heat to low and simmer until tender, about 10 minutes. Drain off water and set beans aside. Melt butter in a skillet over medium heat. Stir in sugar, garlic salt, pepper and basil. Add tomatoes and cook stirring gently just until soft. Pour the tomato mixture over green beans and toss gently to blend.



...Indiana's Hungry Continued

- 56% emergency kitchen clients are male.
 - 100% of clients at emergency food programs are US citizens.
 - 56% of emergency food clients in Hoosier Hills service are registered voters.
 - 5% of emergency food clients are homeless.
- Multigenerational and Single Parent Families are Common**
- 20% of households with children under 18 are headed by single parents.
 - 12% of households have a member 65 or older.
 - 5% of households have a grandparent providing basic needs for a grandchild.
 - 18% of households have a non family member.

ADDRESS LABEL

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 Harrodsburg, IN 47434
 Return Service Requested