

NORTH RIDGEVILLE

THE COMMUNITY THAT CARES...

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Ready to Serve!

The North Ridgeville Fire Dept. A-shift had ice rescue training at South Central Park on Feb. 5. All week, Assistant Chief Jon Graf had all shifts in the water. AC



Graf is constantly challenging the department and finding new and improved ways to keep them the best. AC "Graf just doesn't tell us what to do, he also is side by side with us the whole time. During the ice rescue training he is the victim in the water we have to rescue."



Commissioner Michelle Hung Creates Veteran's Commission



See page 2 for Commissioner Hung's letter to residents.

Bryan Morgan Takes Helm as Head Ridgeville Football Coach

On January 19, 2021, Bryan Morgan became the new North Ridgeville High School head varsity football coach after Board of Education approval. Morgan replaces Luke Durbin who stepped down in November 2020 after coaching for seven years.

"I am very excited for this new chapter in my coaching career. This will give me an opportunity to have an impact on a larger part of the North Ridgeville community," Morgan said. "My staff and I are going to work to ensure a positive culture that is full of enthusiasm and commitment. The last nine years as the head varsity basketball coach has been a great experience and I had the chance to work with amazing colleagues. I appreciate the North Ridgeville City Schools for giving me the opportunity to lead the varsity basketball program."

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- Head Coach Bryan Morgan

Morgan currently works at North Ridgeville High School teaching physical education and health. He has been working for the North Ridgeville City Schools for 11 years.

Morgan has ties to the NRHS football program when he coached wide receivers for the varsity team for one season. He also has coaching and playing experience at the collegiate level.

At Baldwin Wallace University, Morgan played quarterback on the JV team as a freshman and was a backup quarterback on the varsity team as a sophomore. For two seasons,

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Sunday, February 28**

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view the auction and register for events
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Commissioner Michelle Hung Creates Veteran's Commission

Dear North Ridgeville residents,

The first 6 weeks as Lorain County Commissioner and President of the Board have been busy and exciting. I am pleased to announce after reviewing the CARES Act expenditures spreadsheet, I noticed that there were significant allocations made to the Veterans, but the payments had not been made. After investigating the matter, it was found that the previous Board pulled the money back from the Veteran's. Upon review, the CARES Act money was still available to the Veterans Commission and I created a resolution to distribute the funds. Checks for a total of \$288K will be going out to the Veteran's Commission in the next 2 weeks that can be used for the services they provide.

We have a history of providing our Veteran's Commission with the funds they need that provide critical services for them in Lorain County. A few of the things they provide is helping Veteran's get to medical appointments such as dialysis, heart procedures and routine care. They employ several drivers who provide rides and stay and wait with them while they are at their appointments. The Veteran's Commission provides transportation, financial assistance, housing assistance, grocery voucher assistance and gasoline voucher assistance for Veteran's seeking employment. The Lorain County Veterans Service office also has computers available for Veteran's to work on their resume and job placement assistance.

The 3-year approved budget history of our Lorain County Veterans Service Commission is as follows: 2018- \$2,503,700.00 2019- \$2,458,200.00 2020- \$2,583,200.00

For 2020, the Veteran's received a budget of \$2,583,200.00 and the additional \$288K of CARES Act Funds, for a grand total of over \$2,871,200.00. In Lorain County, we have, and always will take care of our Veterans.

Sincerely,

Michelle Hung Lorain County Commissioner



Bryan Morgan Takes Helm as Head Ridgeville Football Coach

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Morgan was a student-assistant and coached the JV running backs, quarterbacks, and wide receivers. Additionally, Morgan spent one season as the JV offensive coordinator for Baldwin Wallace.

Morgan coached at Black River High School for five seasons where he was the offensive coordinator, defensive coordinator, special teams coordinator, and quarterbacks coach. Morgan also spent one season as the offensive coordinator at Brooklyn High School.

"After evaluating candidates for the head coaching posi-

tion, Bryan met the qualities we were seeking," North Ridgeville City Schools Athletic Director Don Sparks said. "I look forward to the 2021 football season."

"I was impressed by Mr. Morgan's football resume. I also saw firsthand his ability to grow a successful program that is grounded in a positive culture that leads to overall development of well-rounded student-athletes," Superintendent Roxann Ramsey-Caserio said. "I thank Mr. Morgan for his tenure as the head varsity basketball coach and I wish him the best of luck as he begins a new journey as the leader of our football program."

Explore the Skilled Trades in an Eight-Week Session at Lorain County Community College

Learn about the variety of skilled trades in an eight-week introductory experience at Lorain County Community College.

The eight-week session runs from March 22 through May 14 and includes two courses delivered in an "online live" format. This means you can complete coursework on your own time with one scheduled in-person class per week and earn four college credits.

During these in-class sessions industry experts will demonstrate trades and answer questions on careers as boilermakers, plumbers, bricklayers, electricians and more. Other engineering technology career paths will also be discussed.

The courses will cover available apprenticeships, cer-

tificates and degrees that can prepare you for a career in a skilled trade.

To learn more about this opportunity join us for an online information session on one of these dates: Thursday, February 18, 4 p.m.; Tuesday, February 23, 4 p.m.; Tuesday, March 2, 4 p.m.

Register for an information session at www.lorainccc.edu/skilledtrades.

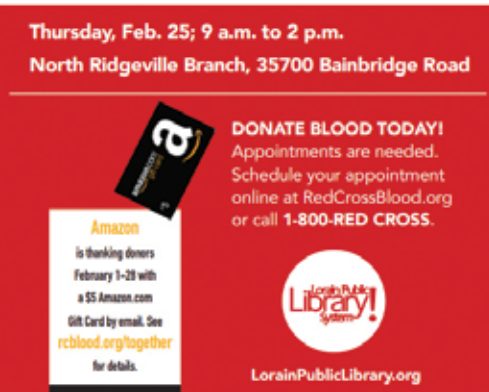
For additional information contact the LCCC Workforce Hotline at (440) 366-4856 or at workforce@lorainccc.edu.



AARP Tax Preparation Appointments - Curbside Drop Off & Pick Up By Appointment Only

AARP Tax Prep Aide, IRS-trained and certified volunteers prepare federal and state taxes at the Senior Center on Tuesdays beginning February 2 through April 13, 2021 from 9:00 AM-2:00 PM. **Please Note: This will be curbside drop off and pick up by APPOINTMENT ONLY.** You will not be permitted into the building for any reason. Please have your cell phone with you so the tax prep volunteers can contact you to let you know they are finished with your return. Appointments will be taken beginning January 4, 2021. Call the Senior Center at (440) 353-0828 to schedule your appointment. If you get voice mail, please leave your name and phone number and a staff member will call you back to schedule your appointment.

This free service is provided for middle to low income taxpayers, with special attention to those age 60 and older. Tax deadline is April 15, 2021.



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Thank You, Lt. Bob Knowlton

After a long and unforgettable career, North Ridgeville Fire Lieutenant Bob Knowlton has retired with 28 years of dedication to the City of North Ridgeville and its residents. It goes without saying to those at the Fire Department that Bob has certainly created a lasting legacy. Not only has he created a legacy here, but within his family as well. His brothers Dave (Elyria) and Rick (North Ridgeville), as well as his sons Patrick (Mentor) and Calvin (Fairview Park) are all firefighters. Bob will be missed by everyone at the North Ridgeville Fire Department, but we're glad to see him have more time to ride his motorcycle and more importantly spend time with his family, especially his grandkids! Good luck in retirement Bob, we miss you already!

Photo Credit to Rick Valentik



Happy Anniversary Chief Graf



North Ridgeville Assistant Chief Mike Uhnak is celebrating his 25th anniversary with the Department this month. AC Uhnak is responsible for the Fire Prevention Bureau and performs all necessary fire inspections in the entire city. If you see him out, please wish him a HAPPY ANNIVERSARY.

Lorain County Emergency Alert Registration

The City of North Ridgeville entered into contract with Lorain County Commissioners, administered by Lorain County Office of Emergency Management and Homeland Security, to provide the city and county with a robust, cost-effective emergency notification system and general messaging services. The service is free to residents to subscribe to receive messages by way of voice, text, and/or e-mail. To subscribe visit: https://entry.inspironlogistics.com/lorain_oh/wens.cfm.

Promoted

The North Ridgeville Firedepartment held a small ceremony for Firefighter Mark Carbone as he was promoted to the position of Lieutenant last week. He'll start work at his new rank next week. Congrats Mark and good luck!




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Lorain Public Library – North Ridgeville Branch

Sat., Feb. 20, 2 p.m. - 3 p.m. *Virtual African Drum and Dance* (Prerecorded Program) Come enjoy an engaging afternoon with West African drummer Sogbety Dimonade. This interactive performance will provide a glimpse into West African rhythms, songs and dance.

Mon., Feb. 22, March 1, 8 15, 22 & 29, 10:30 a.m. - 11 a.m. *Story Stop* (Facebook Live) Caregivers with children of all ages are invited to join us as we live stream story time! Enjoy stories, songs and activities from the comfort of your own home. To join the fun visit us online at www.facebook.com/LorainPublicLibrarySystem. Our songs may feature shaky eggs, rhythm sticks, or scarves. There's a lot of things around your home that you can use to sing and dance. Our storytellers will even recommend some easy and accessible props.

Tues., Feb. 23, 6:30 p.m. - 7:45 p.m. *LPLS Zoom Writers Group* (Zoom) Adult writers are invited to join us via Zoom to write and discuss together. Registrants are asked to include their email addresses so that Zoom invitations can be sent for this event. Preregistration required.

Tues., Feb. 23, March 2, 9 16, 23 & 30, 6:30 p.m. - 7 p.m. *Story Stop* (Facebook Live) Caregivers with children of all ages are invited to join us as we live stream story time! Enjoy stories, songs and activities from the comfort of your own home. To join the fun visit us online at www.facebook.com/LorainPublicLibrarySystem. Our songs may feature shaky eggs, rhythm sticks, or scarves. There's a lot of things around your home that you can use to sing and dance. Our storytellers will even recommend some easy and accessible props.

Thurs., Feb. 25, March 4, 11, 18 & 25, 10:30 a.m. - 11 a.m. *Baby and Me Story Time* (Facebook Live) Bounce, wiggle and play as we live stream baby story time! This story time is intended for babies birth through 18 months, or early walkers, with their caregivers. To join the fun from the comfort of your own home, visit us online at www.facebook.com/LorainPublicLibrarySystem.

Thurs., Feb. 25, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. *American Red Cross Blood Drive* Call for availability. Donate blood today! Appointments are needed. Schedule your appointment online at RedCrossBlood.org or call 1-800-RED CROSS.



NORTH RIDGEVILLE PARKS & REC

Tots T-Ball Program
This five-week program is designed to teach boys and girls the basic fundamentals such as throwing, catching and hitting. The kids will have fun while learning the fundamentals of baseball through basic stations and non-competitive ball games. Sign up online or in-person before April 23 to receive our early bird rate. After April 23 program fee increases by \$10.

Youth Baseball-Softball Program
Have a son or daughter that is ready to play ball? Here is your chance to sign them up. Make sure that your son and daughter have a spot in this year's leagues by signing them up early. Players' not registered last season must bring a birth certificate or other proof of birth date with them. Teams are drawn in late March with practices beginning in April. Opening Day is scheduled for Saturday, May 15. Season slated to end by Mid-July. We will be partnering with surrounding communities to improve the quality of our baseball/softball program. Sign up online or in-person before March 5 to receive our early bird rate. After March 5 the program fee increases by \$10.

Valentine's Sweet Treat Cooking Class
We had a sweet time last week at our North Ridgeville Heart and Sole Valentine's Sweet Treat Cooking Class making fruit nachos and pizza!

Mayor: Kevin Corcoran

F&R Director: Kevin M. Fougereousse

• COME ONE, COME Y'ALL! •

Spring Fling

Parent/Child Dance

COUNTRY WESTERN HOEDOWN

April 24, 2021

2:00-4:00PM

Fee: \$30.00 Resident / \$35.00 Non-Resident (This is per couple)

Location: Shady Dr. Complex Parking Lot 37077 Shady Dr.

Grades: K- 5th Grade

North Ridgeville Parks & Rec has a new annual tradition of family fun! Fathers and daughters, mothers and sons and all parents and children are invited for an outside event dressed up with your special boy or girl. Have fun dancing and playing games with our DJ. There will be plenty of dancing and a photographer to capture the event full of memories.

Register online: www.nrldgeville.org/parksandrec

OR

North Ridgeville Parks and Rec Office 7327 Aron Belden Rd

• MEMORIES AND DANCING HERE! •

Northridge Health Center Residents and Staff Recieve Second Vaccine Shot

January 20 was an exciting day at The Northridge! Both residents and staff received their second dose of the COVID vaccine. Thank you to the wonderful staff from Walgreens for the part you played in all of this.



In these unprecedented times stress accumulates rapidly, especially when you are caring for multiple generations or those that are ill. That is why The Northridge Health Center is here for you and offering Respite Stays.

- Brief stays that are a break for both you and the person you are caring for.
- Well-trained staff at The Northridge provides 24/7 nursing care
- 3 well balanced meals approved by a dietitian
- Personalized activities
- All in a safe and secure environment.

Call today to see how we can help fight the stress, strain and caregiver fatigue you are dealing with.

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North Ridgeville Schools Ranger Round-Up

www.NRCS.net



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@NRCSRangers

Message from Superintendent, February 12, 2021

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Last Friday the North Ridgeville City Schools distributed a survey to families and staff in order to receive feedback about the current and potential future learning formats as we consider the remainder of the school year. I appreciate you taking the time to submit the survey; we were pleased with the number of responses.

We will review the information provided by families and staff members and will communicate with you on the next steps as soon as possible. No decisions about potential changes to our learning format have been made.

As a reminder Monday, February 15 is President's Day and there will be no in-person or online classes for students.

I hope you and your family have a safe and enjoyable weekend!

Sincerely, Roxann Ramsey-Caserio



Wrestling Senior Night

By vnnuser464588, rangersathletics.com

The North Ridgeville team had a successful senior night taking down both Medina and Lorain in a hard fought tri match. Congrats to seniors Shane Adams and Chris Douglas.



NRCS Hosting Virtual Teacher Job Fair

The North Ridgeville City Schools are hosting a teacher job fair via Zoom on March 10, 2021, from 3-7 p.m. You must register to attend. Visit: <http://bit.ly/3rAFuHt> to sign up for the virtual job fair



North Ridgeville City Schools Virtual Job Fair

Great teaching opportunities for a great school district!

MARCH 10, 2021 | 3:00 - 7:00 PM
THE JOB FAIR WILL BE CONDUCTED VIA ZOOM

SIGN UP ON THE NRCS HUMAN RESOURCE PAGE
NRCS.NET/HUMANRESOURCES.ASPX

Questions? Email Dawn Fitz at dawnfitz@nrcs.net



Eighth Grade Parent Night

Eighth Grade Parent Night at North Ridgeville High School will be held via a Zoom seminar on Feb. 22, 2021, at 6:30 p.m.

In order to join the meeting on Feb. 22, visit: <https://zoom.us/j/95125772197?pwd=VlVxL05nS3dpWnI3b1hqcllsYXkzZz09#success>

The goal of the evening is to present information about the following of areas:

1. Information about the transition to high school
2. Information about how to be a successful high school student
3. How to plan the courses students will take over their four years of high school

There will be an opportunity for parents to ask questions. Also, the meeting will be recorded and posted on the NRHS website if you are unable to attend.

Please feel free to contact NRHS Principal Tom Szendrey via email at tomszendrey@nrns.net or by phone at (440) 327-3681 if you have any questions.

Girls Basketball advance in OHSAA Tournament

By vnnuser464588, rangersathletics.com/

The North Ridgeville Girls basketball team picked up a first round win on Saturday over Elyria.

The Rangers now move onto face Barberton at home on Thursday 2/18. 7 PM tip, Good Luck Ladies.



Free Breakfast and Lunch

Any student who wishes to receive breakfast and/or lunch can do so at no cost. Families still have the option to send students with packed meals, but the district encourages everyone to take advantage of this opportunity.

The district will have meal pick up on Tuesdays and Thursdays in front of North Ridgeville High School between 8:30 am -10:30 am. Your student does not need to be present to pick up the meals.

Students that are enrolled in the hybrid learning option now have the opportunity to take home meals at the end of the school day. Meals will be provided to take home on Tuesdays for Group A students, Wednesdays for high school students, and Fridays for Group B students.

If you qualify or think you may qualify for free or reduced lunch, please still apply to the program. Information about free and reduced lunch can be found on the food service page on the district website. If families need assistance accessing or completing this application, please reach out to the Operations Department at 440-353-1109.

Swimmers Advance to Districts at Bowling Green



By vnnuser464588, rangersathletics.com/

Congratulations to the boys swimmers who advanced to Districts next Saturday at Bowling Green.

Andrew Margolin: 50 free

Andrew Margolin: 100 fly

Boys 200 Medley Relay: Stephen Watt, Aaron Dunstan, Andrew Margolin, Ian Knapp

Boys 200 Free Relay: Andrew Margolin, Ian Knapp, Aaron Dunstan, Stephen Watt

Congratulations to the following female swimmers who advanced to Districts next Saturday at Bowling Green.

Lauren Steinbrunner: 50 free

Girls 200 Medley Relay: Madison Groppe, Larisa Indries, Lauren Steinbrunner, Jenna Steinbrunner

Girls 200 Free Relay: Jenna Steinbrunner, Ally Poltrone, Madison Groppe, Lauren Steinbrunner
Great Job Ladies! Good Luck!

Twitter Round-Up

Our crew consisting of @grizzer21 and Anah, Ava, and Hailey of @NRHSGirlsBball manning our @BoxCast livestream for the @NRBoysB-BALL games today. Love seeing our Rangers supporting their fellow Rangers! - Mr. Roshong, @MrRoshongNRHS, English & Broadcast Journalism Teacher, Football Coach, JCU
You left yourself out of the picture @Mr-RoshongNRHS, but I can't say enough about the talented young adults we have helping out with the livestreams. We have a top-notch team on every stream! #RangerPride @NRCSRangers @NRHSRangers - Dave Grendzynski, @grizzer21



Great to see the bowling team in action today! @NR_Rangers Senior night for bowling. Congratulations to Brandon and Elizabeth! - Tom Szendrey, @NRHSRangers, High School Principal



Today (Feb. 11) on zoom we dissected a seed! During our lifecycle PBL we are learning about parts of a seed to prepare to plant and take care of our own gardens. The learners loved investigating the seed and finding out what was inside! @NRCSstem @NRCSRangers @OSLN - Coach Samoson & Coach Simon, @RHTASTEM3, 3rd Grade Coaches at Ranger High-Tech Academy

Lorain County Clerk of Court Partners with Ohio History Connection in Transfer of Naturalization Records

Tom Orlando, the Lorain County Clerk of Court, is pleased to announce the Clerk's office has transferred its collection of immigration and naturalization records to the Ohio History Connection State Archives in Columbus. The records include declarations of intention, naturalization petitions, and indices thereto filed locally with the common pleas court dating back to 1853 in some cases. The State Archives holds and preserves records on a diverse range of topics from all 88 Ohio counties.

For more information, including contact information for the Ohio History Connection State Archives, please visit our website at: www.loraincounty.us/clerk/naturalization-records.

New Crosswalk Features at Bainbridge Road Increases Pedestrian Safety

North Ridgeville residents may have noticed new crosswalk features on Bainbridge Road between the library and the Senior Center. New lights and paint make it easier and safer for pedestrians to get to South Central Park from the City Municipal Complex and library.

The North Ridgeville Heart and Sole Collaborative and the City of North Ridgeville funded this improved crosswalk. Heart and Sole focuses on improving chronic disease in the City of North Ridgeville by encouraging active living and healthy eating. United Way of Greater Lorain County funds Heart and Sole, and Lorain County Public Health leads it.

Keep active outdoors this winter and visit the fitness trail at South Central Park. This winter, North Ridgeville Parks and Recreation Department will clear the trail of ice and snow for your safety.

South Central Park is located at 7565 Avon Belden Road in North Ridgeville.

Later this spring, adults with a Lorain Public Library System library card can check out a bike for a day. The Bike Share Program is supported through Heart and Sole, in partnership with the Lorain Public Library System.

To learn more about North Ridgeville Heart and Sole, follow us on Facebook or call 440-284-3217.



Is it Possible to Move to a Senior Living Community During a Pandemic?

Transitioning yourself or a loved one to a senior living community is a major decision regardless of the circumstances. Add on the challenges of one of the most trying times in our country's history, and it's hard to know where to turn for answers. COVID-19 has changed life as we know it, including assisted living communities.

So is it possible to move to a senior living community in the midst of a pandemic? And should you?

At North Ridgeville Danbury, COVID-19 has presented some challenges, but it has not put a stop to quality, compassionate care. Danbury Senior Living at North Ridgeville continues to work conscientiously

to provide a clean and disinfected facility, safety protocols, and all possible preventive measures to avoid the spread of the virus.

But what about the emotional and social challenges that come with a pandemic? How is North Ridgeville at Danbury working to ensure seniors feel connected and not alone?

Thanks to the amazing staff at North Ridgeville the residents not only feel safe and comfortable but are reminded that they will get through this unusual time. Staff members have been committed to providing social lifelines to the residents allowing them to communicate with their family members through Zoom, FaceTime, Skype,

etc. They have created an environment regardless of this pandemic where residents can laugh, smile, and safely enjoy life enrichment activities. Danbury has proven that life does not stop during a pandemic; it just looks different.

If you or a loved one have determined that this is the right time to make the move, you can rest assured that not only will health and safety be at the forefront, but positive relationships and experiences as well. Come learn all about the Danbury Difference. If you would like more information please visit www.Danburyseniorliving.com or call 440-596-3797.

Covid-19 Vaccine Shots

Danbury North Ridgeville staff and residents received our first dose of the Covid-19 vaccine on Jan. 29! Our first step in the fight against Covid!



"Our Danbury Story, Hope from Within"

Danbury Senior Living proudly announces a three-part video series, "Our Danbury Story, Hope from Within."

Learn more about our Staff, Resident and Family experiences. WATCH: <http://ow.ly/l85K50DbHrX>

As everyone has continued to navigate through the COVID-19 pandemic, Danbury invites you to take a glimpse of the day-to-day experiences from our residents, families, and staff, in their words, their stories. Our three-part series is a special look at how our communities have continued to thrive during these challenging times.



TASTE the Danbury Difference

Awesome server, Marla from Danbury North Ridgeville knocked it out of the park with this scrumptious dessert for residents!

All of our locations around Ohio, offer exceptional dining experiences with 5-star Chef-prepared meals!



Winter Savings

It can be difficult to consider a move during the winter months and a pandemic. You may have concerns about the moving process and expenses associated with a move. Danbury understands this can be overwhelming. We would like to help make this transition as simple and safe as possible.

Call our admissions team to learn more about our Winter Savings Program!

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A COMMUNITY OF CARING



Our mission is to care for the less fortunate of North Ridgeville, Ohio to the best of our ability based on resources made available to us. We will always strive to preserve human dignity, offer assistance and referrals, in whatever area of true concern our clients bring to us.

Contact Us: CEO, Heather A. Kaesgen - Heather@nrcommcare.org • Assistant Director, Daphne Fuertes-Yost - NrcCare1@gmail.com
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COVID-19 Food Distribution Hours of Operation: We are closed in observance of U.S. holidays and when North Ridgeville schools are closed due to inclement weather • Monday and Tuesday 9:30 am - 1:30 pm • Thursday 3:00 - 6:00 pm



NR Community Care Social Media Round-up

[f / North-Ridgeville-Community-Care-181863864403/](https://www.facebook.com/North-Ridgeville-Community-Care-181863864403/)

We are looking for a few people to send us videos/pictures on why it is important to help our neighbors and donate to Community Care? We are compiling a video to be played during our fundraiser next week. If you would like to submit a video and/or picture please do by February 20th. Please send to heather@nrcommcare.org #whyidonatetonnrc

We are looking for auction items for our fundraiser! Nothing is too small. We will put with other items! Please let us know if you can help us out! The need is greater than ever in our community. Thank you for always being a community that cares!

SOUP FOR THE SPIRIT

This year may look different but the need is real. Please consider being a sponsor! Dinners for Diamond & Platinum sponsors will be a pick-up from Bistro 83!

Now, more than ever, we need your help. Funds raised will go directly to our client programs such as food, utilities, and rent. The need for our services has increased during COVID-19, your participation will help with our increased number of clients.

You do not need a ticket to participate in the event, but you must register to participate in the silent auction!

If you would like to make a donation in the form of a ticket purchase you will receive an exclusive soup bowl with our logo on it, and a gift certificate for soup from Bistro 83!

Schedule of Events: All live events will be on FaceBook

Thurs., Feb. 25 @ Noon Live Kick-Off - Auction Starts

Sat., Feb. 27 - 7 - 8 pm Live - Join us for a program to share updates from Community Care

Sun., Feb. 28 @ Noon Live - Join us for a closing of Soup for the Spirit 2021 and see raffle drawings live from Community Care - Pick up of items won from 1-4 at Community Care

Visit nrcommcare.org to view the auction and register for events.

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A Note from our CEO:

As the health and safety for our volunteers and clients is paramount we have made the difficult decision to change the way we will be serving our clients.

We will be open, but we will not have any volunteers at the center. Therefore, all food distribution will be a pass through at our side door.

If you are a client and are home bound or feel it is unsafe to leave your home, please call the center and we will make arrangements for you. 440-353-9716.

As another precaution, for the time being we will only accept monetary and food donations: canned, fresh, frozen.

We are also accepting essentials items: shampoo, toilet paper, paper towels, hand soap, etc.

We thank you for your patience and understanding during this difficult time.

- Heather A. Kaesgen, CEO

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We provide these programs to a range of clients including singles, families and seniors. Once approved, based on guidelines of household size and income, the following programs become available to them at no cost to the client.

Food Pantry: Part of our facility is our food pantry which provides complete and balanced meals to our clients with sufficient food to accommodate all persons living in the home. It is our philosophy that regardless of parental lifestyle, if there are planned meals in the home the children will not go hungry and may also benefit in other ways from the familial value of an organized mealtime. If someone is in immediate need of food and they are not one of our pre-approved clients, our policy is to give them "emergency food" from the food pantry and have them complete an application form for future needs.

Clothing and Household Items: We provide our clients with gently used clothing, laundered by our volunteers, and made available on a daily basis. The clothing is donated by persons in our community. Household items are also donated, and special needs are met whenever possible such as requests for beds, cribs, household furniture, etc.

Utility and Housing Assistance: In order to provide our clients another opportunity to maintain reasonable living accommodations, we assist with utility and rent payments. Clients are allotted \$100 per calendar year toward rent/mortgage payments after providing proof that they have received no financial assistance from any church, governmental agency, charitable institution or relative for at least four months. They are also allotted \$100 towards utility assistance (i.e. electricity and/or gas) per calendar year. When a client requests assistance, we are able to send the necessary funds directly to utility companies and/or landlords to ease the economic burden that many families have had to shoulder in recent years. We have been proud to pioneer this unique service for clients which, since 1989, has prevented countless utility shut-offs and evictions. New clients are eligible for this program after one month.

Dairy: We provide milk, eggs and butter to our clients. The essential nutrition of dairy products is especially needed for the development of our young children.

Layette: When a baby is born to one of our clients, the parent is presented with a layette of personally purchased items including diapers, "onesies", booties, a sweater set, blankets, bottles, a baby toy, a stuffed animal, and baby hygiene products.

Summer Lunches: Five lunches per week are offered for school age children who have been on a government funded school program which ends with the school year. Their eligibility is qualified by the North Ridgeville City Schools. Food is purchased in bulk and then packaged and distributed by volunteers.

School Supplies: Required school supplies are purchased and distributed to school age children. We feel it is important for all children to begin the school year on an equal footing with their classmates, and to better enable them to focus on their studies in the year ahead, dignity intact.

Easter Baskets: Easter Baskets full of candy and small toys for children 10 and younger are distributed to our client families along with a box of food for Easter dinner, including a ham, spring vegetables, sweet potatoes, pie, and eggs for coloring.

Thanksgiving Baskets: Each Thanksgiving we

receive donations of turkeys and other food items for Thanksgiving. The week before the holiday, we offer baskets containing an entire meal complete with a turkey.

Christmas Store and Adopt-A-Child Program: Every Christmas we request donations from the community for new gift items: brand new toys, clothes, games, etc. We place all of these items by category in our specially designated "gift shop" area and, prior to Christmas, invite our clients to shop (with no money) for their family members and loved ones. We also ask our clients to fill out Wish Lists which we pass on to people in our community who would like to "adopt" a child or family for Christmas. Each year we make every effort to ensure that every client with a Wish List receives gifts for Christmas.

Emergency Prescription Financial Assistance: With the prescription expertise of a local pharmacist, we can offer immediate and/or temporary medication. Sometimes there is an urgent need that cannot wait on a free clinic and must be addressed immediately.

Essentials: Twice a month items that are needed on a daily basis, which are taxable but not covered by Food Stamps, are offered to our clients. These essentials include personal and hygiene products such as toothpaste, soap, shampoo, laundry detergent and cleaning supplies as well as paper products like towels, Saran wrap, aluminum foil and toilet paper.

Community Care Garden: Volunteer men and women from the community, with the help of a local farmer and his wife, have coordinated local plots of land throughout the city in order to grow produce to donate and distribute to our clients. We believe it is a great blessing to be able to offer fresh, in-season vegetables to our clients

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