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## The People Behind the Stove

By John Moses, CEO

Khalil Gibran, the Lebanese poet, said “Bread baked without love is a bitter bread that feeds but half a man’s hunger.” That is certainly not the case for our Winter Freeze Shelter guests.

We are fortunate to provide a warm meal each night because people in our community make feeding the hungry their act of love. Irene Harvey and her friends prepared hams at Christmas. The Ohio County Democratic Women prepare one meal a month. Local restaurants give their time, talents and resources to feed our folks on a regular basis. These are but a few examples.

Special thanks to the loving hands of dozens of volunteers from the Vineyard Church. Like last year, they have prepared 50 meals for our guests. The testimony of their

### Vineyard Meal Prep By the #s

**500** lbs. of Beef

**10** Turkeys

**43** Meals

**40** Volunteers

skill behind the stove is that there aren’t any leftovers.

A hot meal like Mom used to make doesn’t just feed the body but also the soul. Before entering our doors at night, our guests may have been working all day, or out in the elements, or walking from place to place just to keep moving, or hunkering down in a tent or another place of shelter. They often are bone weary. Most crave food, rest and fellowship, not necessarily in that order.

Mother Teresa said: “There are many in the world dying for a piece of bread, but there are many more dying for a little love.” At the

Winter Freeze Shelter, we offer both.

*Anyone interested in donating food is asked to make arrangements with Holly Fox, 304-218-2847.*

## A Loving 'Experience'

In addition to holding a Stuff the Truck event at Walmart at the Highlands in November, The Experience Church recently held a donation drive for the Winter Freeze Shelter. Delivering the fruits of that effort are, from left, Kayla Dixon, Tasha Bosley and Jacqueline Thomas.



## Hamming It Up



Delivering holiday hams for the Freeze Shelter guests are, from left, Amy Pyle, Irene Harvey and Temple Miller. On hand to help receive them were Susan Brossman, second from right, and Lynn Kettler, otherwise known as the Street MOMs. Not pictured is Velvet Elkins.



## LEAP DAY WINTER WALK

Project Hope, our partners led by YSS board member Dr. William C. Mercer, will host a 1-mile Winter Walk at 8 a.m. Feb. 29 starting at the Soup Kitchen of Greater Wheeling, 1610 Eoff St., and stopping at several points to learn about the struggles faced by those living on the margins in our community.

Pre- and post-walk musical entertainment will be provided by YSS board member Robert J. Gaudio.

## Sweet Drinks

Central Elementary School Kind Club students adorned cups with loving, hopeful, supportive messages and filled them with packets of hot chocolate.





# Kids Know Kindness Matters

Central Elementary School Kind Club held a donation drive. 📁



Wheeling Country Day School second-graders made cards and assembled care packages. 📁

📁 St. Michael Parish Preschool collected items.



Ohio County 4-H Shooting Club purchased items to donate. 📁



# 210

Number of unduplicated individuals who have been guests at the Winter Freeze Shelter since Nov. 15, 2019.



Anthony Pitts was our guest earlier this season and is now living in an apartment. He was featured in a special report Feb. 3 on WOTO-TV 9.

He said:

“I just try to keep in mind that I have worth. I’m not worthless because I’m homeless. Homeless doesn’t mean helpless to me. It just means that you don’t have a place to stay at that time.”

To watch the report, visit [www.youthservicesystem.org](http://www.youthservicesystem.org), go to News, then go to Area News.

Thank you for your support of the Winter Freeze Shelter & our guests.

*Be our Guest at the annual*

# SOUP SOCIAL

Tuesday, March 24, 2020  
5:30PM  
Rivereity Banquet Hall  
1400 Main Street  
Wheeling, WV



RSVP TO HOLLY FOX AT (304) 218-2847 OR HFOX@YSSWV.COM

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THE PUBLIC**  
Noon-2 p.m.  
Wednesdays  
& Fridays.  
All welcome!



Donations of household goods & clothing accepted M-F  
8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., 87 15th St., Wheeling

## Monetary Donations Always Welcome

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