As summer comes to an end, here's some news on what we've accomplished, plus some fun stuff yet to come!

**Hooks for Hunger**

Another successful year – in fact it was record-breaking! Thanks to all the hard work of the Hooks for Hunger team, and the support of the participants, corporate sponsors and individual donors, CRS was blessed to receive a check in the amount of $24,000 from this year’s event! We are so very grateful to live in such a generous community, and thank you all for everything you do to help local residents when they need a hand.

**Back to School**

Thank you to everyone who made donations in support of our Back-to-School Readiness program. On August 1st and 2nd, we were able to distribute a total of 220 backpacks and school supplies to the kids here in Avon and Avon Lake. They also received gift cards to Old Navy and Walmart for school clothing and incidental...
A huge shoutout to all the volunteers who were on hand to help with event, including the corporate team from Lowe's and Joanna, Jessica and Emily Olson – pictured here.

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**Eat Your Fruits and Veggies**

Thanks to our partnership with Second Harvest Food Bank, CRS is able to offer Farmers' Markets each summer for our clients. The first one of the season was held on Tuesday, August 8th.

We were so grateful that these awesome volunteers from Athleta in Crocker Park were on hand to help pass out all the fruits and vegetables! Thank you so much for your help!

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**Eagle Run**

Thank you to the members of the Eagle Run Committee for their on-going support. CRS was a presented with a check in the amount of $3,000 from the proceeds of this popular Memorial Day run/walk. We’re so very grateful for this generous donation, and to be part of such a great community-wide event!

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**Are You Ready for Some Football?**

Join us in support of the SOUPer Bowl Food Drive!
Membership on the CRS Board

CRS would like to welcome DeeDee Alvelo as its newest Board member. DeeDee is a resident of Avon and works for First Federal of Lakewood as a full-time sales manager. She first learned about CRS through her involvement with the North Coast Rotary Club, and is excited about the opportunity to help people in her community. Welcome aboard DeeDee!

CRS is always looking for community members interested in serving on our Board of Directors. Anyone interested, please contact Susan at 933-5639 ext. 202 or spoole@aalcrs.org for more detail.

Eyring Movers Commits to Fighting Hunger

Eyring Movers, a premier relocation company located in Avon Lake, has committed to fighting hunger in their community by partnering with the national hunger relief organization, Move For Hunger. As part of their national network, to date their combined forces have delivered more than 7 million pounds of food – 6 million meals – to local food banks throughout the U.S. and Canada.

When people move, they often throw out a good deal of "stuff." Unfortunately,
much of this stuff is non-perishable food that could be delivered to a family in need rather than just left behind. The crew of Eyring Movers will now be collecting those food items from their customers and delivering them directly to CRS.

On behalf of everyone at CRS, we’re thrilled to be Eyring Movers’ designated donation site. Thanks for doing your part to help get food into the hands of people struggling with food insecurity.

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**Office Hours**

The CRS Office will resume regular office hours starting on Friday, September 8th. We will be open Monday through Friday, 10 am to 2 pm.

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**Community Donations**

CRS has truly been blessed this month with many donations of non-perishable items for our food pantry and school supplies for our Back to School Readiness program.

Thank you to the following businesses and organizations:

- Avon Lake Presbyterian Church
- Avon Lake Public Library
- Avon Lake Soccer Team
- Avon Lake United Church of Christ
- Concrete & More
- Avon Lake CVS
- Girl Scout Troop #50384
- The Scrap Picker Upper
This is in addition to the many individuals who bring donations to the CRS office on a daily basis. We are so very grateful for all of the donations that help keep our food pantry well stocked and that help us continue making a difference - right here at home!