



CRS COMMUNITY RESOURCE SERVICES

Making a difference. Right here at home.



Avon/Avon Lake Community Resource Services Newsletter
October, 2019



Kelsey Elizabeth Cakes Cupcake Donations

Special thanks to Kelsey Elizabeth Cakes in Avon Lake for donating their unsold cupcakes to us! It's a special treat for our clients to get a



Avon Lake Scouting for Food

On Saturday, November 3rd, the Avon Lake Girl Scouts will be collecting non-perishable food and paper products to be donated to the CRS food pantry. Be on the lookout for a flyer that will be delivered to your Avon Lake home. This flyer will have instructions on how to participate in the collection. For more information please

few delicious cupcakes to share with their families!

call Sheila Roth at CRS.



CRS CHARITY BALL
Save the Date!
January 25, 2020

Mark your calendar for the 31st Annual CRS Charity Ball on Saturday, January 25, 2020 at LaCentre Conference & Banquet Facility in Westlake. This year's theme is "**Strong Hearts, Strong Community.**"

This event is our largest fundraiser! In 2019 we raised over \$82,000 with 407 guests in attendance. The Charity Ball is black-tie optional and features an open bar, sit-down dinner, live music and dancing, auctions, raffles and many more ways to support CRS.

We are currently looking for Charity Ball sponsors as well as donors to the auction. Please call Sheila Roth at the CRS office for more information.

Empty Bowls by the Lake



SANTA'S WORKSHOP

Would you like to get involved in our Holiday Assistance Program? Here's how:

Santa's Workshop provides a wonderful Christmas for our CRS families. Mom and/or Dad will be able to choose three things (a coat, pajamas, and a toy or wish list item) for each child in their family.

We also provide a Family Basket to each family in an effort to provide them with items they can use (a Cleaning Basket or Personal Hygiene Basket) or would enjoy (a Family Game Night Basket or Kitchen Basket). We'd love to expand this program and provide more useful items instead of more "stuff." These baskets are such a treat to our families and are more in line with the mission of CRS to provide basic needs assistance.

This program is donor driven, made possible by the generosity of community members, groups, churches, and businesses. The Workshop is stocked from items donated through toy drives, coat drives, and individual donors.

Need donation ideas? Check out our website (What We Do/Seasonal tab) for a complete list of great ideas including our teens who can be so challenging to buy for!

All donations for Christmas should be made by Monday, December 12th. It's always helpful when we know what you would like to donate, so please call the CRS office in advance to let us know. Arrangements can be made for you to drop



The Empty Bowls by the Lake Event was held earlier this month and was a huge success! Special thanks to Laura Kirchner who works so hard to make sure every detail is perfect! We would also like to thank all of the restaurants that provided the delicious soups, the donors to the silent auction, the dozens of volunteers, and of course to the hundreds of attendees who came to the event!

off your donation at our Christmas location at your convenience. This year our Santa's Workshop will be held at 457 Avon-Belden Road in The Landings at the corner of 83 and Walker Road in Avon Lake.

If you have any questions regarding Santa's Workshop or any other holiday programs, please contact Amy at the CRS office. Our office hours are Monday - Friday from 10 AM to 2 PM. Our phone number is 440-933-5639.

Thank you!



COMMUNITY THANKS

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 Backpack Program.

Thank you to the following businesses and organizations: Avon Garden Club, Avon Lake Community Garden, Avon Lake Garden Club, Eyring Movers, and Holy Spirit Church.

Special thanks to the Spirnak Family of Avon Lake for bringing in 452 pounds of toiletries and paper goods from their Christmas in July drive at St. Joseph Catholic Church.

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 our mission of People Helping People!

Avon/Avon Lake Community Resource Services

Our Mission: Community Resource Services is a responsive, community-based organization whose mission is to diminish the effects of poverty in Avon and Avon Lake. We provide basic needs assistance and individualized resource and referral services in a compassionate and confidential manner.

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