



Week 3 @ C3—Addressing Needs in 2022 *submitted by Char Zoet*

January & February: Collected nonperishable items respectively, for both White Lake UMC's Free Store in Whitehall and for the People Center in Spring Lake. Both of these groups requested items not generally available with SNAP cards.

April: Gifted tools and other things useful for gardening and harvesting to MLK and Edgewood schools in the MHPSAS for their at-school gardens.

May: Gifts of cash (\$1850) for "Food for Ukraine" were funneled through World Central Kitchen, universal humanitarian, non-profit organization based in New York City.

June: Every Women's Place in Muskegon received kitchen and bathroom cleaning supplies – approximately sixty items.

August: "Back to School" for MLK and Edgewood Schools of the MHPSAS. \$1000 worth of school supplies were delivered to MHPSAS office.

September & October: 57 kits for "Dignity Kits – Keeping Girls in School," a program offering sustainable hygiene support for women and girls, were assembled by C3 members for distribution by MCC (Mennonite Central Committee) in Goshen, Indiana. Cash value \$1,995.

November: Collected new clothing and blankets for the people of Ottawa and Allegan counties for the Ottawa/Allegan United Way's "United for Warmth" program.

December: "Seasonal Card Blizzard" C3 members, adults and children, prepared greeting cards for residents at Riverside Nursing & Rehab, Medilodge at the Lakeshore, Christian Haven Home and North Ottawa Care Center – all local care agencies. 300 cards were delivered in time for Christmas Day. Rebecca, the activities director of NOCC remarked, "These are the only cards some of our people will get." Value of this effort – "Priceless."

Watch for the New Year 2023 to bring new and exciting ways to do what we can as Week 3@C3 to address needs locally, nationally and worldwide.

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