



News Around the Corner

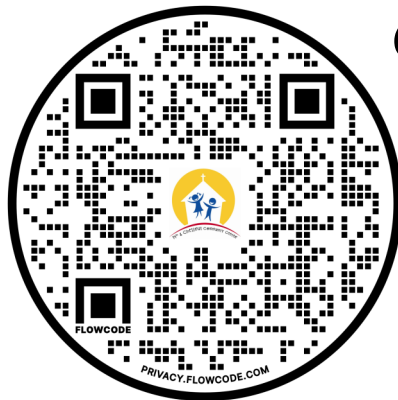
April 2023

THE 14TH AND CHESTNUT COMMUNITY CENTER'S MISSION IS TO BE A PARTNER WITH AND PROVIDE MINISTRY TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD AROUND THE CENTER IN ORDER TO ASSIST WITH A VARIETY OF SPIRITUAL, PHYSICAL, AND EDUCATIONAL NEEDS.

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18th Annual 14th & Chestnut Community Center



Use this QR Code to RSVP online for the banquet.

Gifts From The Heart Banquet

Come join us for an evening to see how God is moving at the Center

THURSDAY, April 13, 2023

Reception & Silent Auction—6:00 pm

Dinner—6:30 pm

ISU Hulman Memorial Student Union

Sycamore Banquet Center

550 Chestnut Street, Terre Haute IN

Raise The Roof

Please come join us for a night to celebrate how God is moving at 14th and Chestnut. This will be a great opportunity to hear how staff and volunteers at 14th and Chestnut are impacting youth in our community. This is a free event to attend but there will be an ask at the end of the night of an offering. All proceeds from the night will be going towards putting a new roof on our building. This will be an \$85,000 project, so we are hoping to see God move in big ways as we look to “raise the roof”.

There will also be a silent auction so come ready to make some bids. Choices for meals are spaghetti squash or chicken bruschetta. Both meals can be gluten free, circle your choice after the gluten free box. You can register for yourself or multiple people. Just make sure in the box under quantity there is a clear number. That is how many people we will be planning to be at your table.

Reservations requested by April 5th, 2023.

Call 812-232-3126 or email connorscanlon81@gmail.com to check for late availability.

Verse of the Month:

Matthew 28:6

“He is not here; He has risen, just as He said. Come and see the place where He lay.”

Staff Spotlight: Graduating College Students



We would like to say a GREAT BIG, GIGANTIC, ENTHUSIASTIC CONGRATULATIONS to our four staff who are graduating college this Spring! Aitana Fernandez, Dawson Payton, Grecia Garcia and Laresha Johnson are all soon-to-be college graduates, and we are so proud!



Aitana, Grecia, and Laresha are all graduating from Indiana State University, and Dawson is graduating from Ivy Tech. Aitana and Grecia are both planning to further their education in graduate school. Dawson is planning to continue in the work force and use his Human Services education to continue to impact lives. Laresha is currently the Assistant Director at 14th and Chestnut and will continue with us here.



We cannot emphasize enough the impact these students have on our children here at the Center. They are pouring into these kids every day, building relationships and setting an amazing example of how God can use their lives to do BIG THINGS! Their kindness, compassion, creativity and drive to succeed are such wonderful things that are rubbing off on the children who are blessed to be with them every day.



Aitana, Dawson, Grecia, and Laresha, we are SO PROUD OF YOU!!! And we cannot wait to see what you are going to do next!!!

April 2023 NEEDS LIST

14th and Chestnut Community Center

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Email: 14th.chestnut@gmail.com

Visit our Website! 14thandchestnut.weebly.com

Find us on Facebook! Search 14th and Chestnut Community Center.

Thank You for your ongoing support of the work we do at the Center! God is using you to make a big difference in the children, their families, and even the staff and volunteers that come through our doors. We couldn't do any of it without you!

PRAY for all of the children and families we serve, that God will continue to move and change lives!

BIGGEST NEEDS

These are the areas where we could use the most help in the month of April and looking toward summer:

Food Pantry—We are in need of any staple foods such as boxed pastas, rice, canned goods, canned meats, etc. to keep our pantry stocked and ready to serve those in need in our community.

Kitchen— We are looking for a Kitchen Coordinator to assist with reaching out and scheduling volunteers and helping with planning for our three big family meals each year. Call the office for more information.

Summer Items— We are beginning to collect beach towels and swimsuits to prepare for summer field trips. We are also in need of Pirate Themed crafts or games. Please call the office for more information.

Field Trip Drivers—We are in need of drivers age 25 or older to assist with driving for Friday field trips this summer. We leave the Center around 10am and return by 2pm. If you're interested in more information or would be willing to help, please call the office.

GRUMBLING TUMMIES CAFÉ

Serving daily snack and dinner throughout the school year. Help us keep their bellies full!

Our biggest need for the kitchen is meat and fresh fruits and vegetables

We would also appreciate gift cards to purchase items in order to complete meals and to purchase the fresh produce and milk we need each week.

We are also accepting any donations of canned or boxed food as well as main staples like bread and sugar.

MERIT MART REWARDS STORE

Help us reward our kids for good behavior! The store is where children can spend the play money they earn on hygiene products, toys, books, crafts, school supplies, etc.

We accept donations of new or gently used items for the Merit Mart.

Our biggest need is hygiene products especially for boys, such as deodorant, body wash, shaving cream, etc.

We also accept toys, school supplies, jewelry, and candy for the children.

MOTHER HUBBARD'S PANTRY

Please help us keep our emergency pantry stocked to help people in our community in an extreme time of need.

Our biggest need for the food pantry is meat like hot dogs, spam, tuna to make a complete meal and any staple items such as peanut butter, cereal, pasta, rice, beans.

We are also accepting donations of canned and boxed goods as well as supplies for babies such as diapers, wipes, and jars of baby food.

CLOTHES CLOSETS

Once a week, any of our registered children can go to the clothes closet and get NEW OR GENTLY USED clothing to keep them clean and warm. All donations are appreciated!

Our biggest need is new underwear and new boxers for our kids in any sizes.

We are also in need of clothes from size 5 to 12 for both girls and boys.

We accept clothes for kids from size 5 up to adult XL.

MOMS MATTER

Where mothers can get together and encourage each other through their daily parenting struggles.

Each mom in attendance is given a small gift. Help us encourage them!

Gift baskets, lotions, bath items, candles, picture frames, and any other gift a mom might like

Gift cards for gas, dining out, or local grocery stores

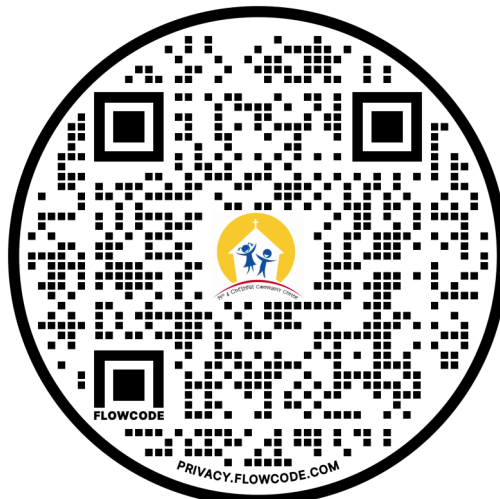
BUILDING & GROUNDS

Cleaning supplies—Pledge, liquid pump hand soap, toilet paper, toilet bowl cleaner, Ajax detergent, Spic and Span

Old cell phones or old printer cartridges

Thank you for your continued prayers and support!

If you would like to give a monetary donation online, scan the QR code below. You can give a one-time gift or sign up for a monthly donation.



Silly Safari



One of our very favorite days at the Center is when we get to have the Silly Safari! This year, Rainforest Randy brought all kinds of creatures and told us how God made each animal special and gave them talents and abilities. The sanctuary was filled with the sounds of surprise, some fear, and lots of laughs as each animal was brought out. The kids got to learn about tarantulas, opossums, frogs, bunnies, tortoises, alligators, pigeons, crows and snakes! After the presentation, each child had the chance to go up and pet a few of the different creatures. It was a great way to enjoy the gloomy weather outside with such fun inside! Thank you, Rainforest Randy, for helping our kiddos make such great memories!

Party Time!



There was much to celebrate in March, and one of the best ways to celebrate is with a party! We were blessed with two amazing groups throwing parties for us.

The Newcomers group came and threw a St. Patrick's Day party for the children, leading them through a variety of relay races and bringing cupcakes, ice cream and party favors for the children to enjoy.

We then got to celebrate all of our March birthdays with our monthly birthday party. Seelyville United Methodist Church sponsored the party, bringing bracelet kits for the children to make, setting up corn hole to play, and providing cupcakes, ice cream, juice and treat bags.

We truly appreciate all of our party sponsors who dedicate time and resources to helping our kiddos feel special and valued. Thank you!

If you have a group interested in sponsoring a monthly birthday party, please call the office at 812-232-3126 and see what months we have available.



Missionary Visit

We had some special visitors this month at the Center. Silas and Rahab Waweru are pastors from Nairobi that are currently in Terre Haute visiting World Gospel Church. They wanted to come to the Center to learn about what we are doing and to share about their ministry in Kenya.

Silas and Rahab serve with One Mission Society, helping to plant and develop churches in Kenya. They also teach and equip local pastors through Equip and Release Africa. The couple also provide children and adult Bible programs, teaching all ages about Jesus and stories from the Bible. It was wonderful to sit and share stories about what God is doing here and across the world.



Summer Interns Wanted!

We are beginning to plan for our summer program and are looking for high school juniors and seniors and college-age students to join our summer staff! The summer program will run from May 30—August 4, Monday through Friday from 8am-2pm.

The first week is training, and then we have nine weeks of programming where interns work with one of our groups of kids leading games, crafts, life skills, reading, etc.


If you or someone you know is interested in applying to work with us this summer, please call the office at 812-232-3126 or come by and talk with Connor or Amanda! We're excited to see the team God is going to put together and how He is going to use them to change lives this summer!






Our 6th grade and older kids and their leaders got to visit the African American Culture Center to hear about Rosa Parks and all of her contributions to fight for equal rights for affordable, reliable transportation for all Americans. They then went on a ride on the ISU Campus bus for the “Roses for Rosa” event, placing roses on a bench decorated and reserved for her. We’d like to say a special thanks to Ms. Valerie Craig for taking the time to talk to our kids!


Women's HISTORY MONTH




AMELIA EARHART



SUSAN B. ANTHONY



ELEANOR ROOSEVELT



HARRIET TUBMAN

Stand for something or you will fall for anything. Today's mighty oak is yesterday's nut that held its ground.
- Rosa Parks

I had rather make history than write it.
- Susan B. Anthony

No one can make you feel inferior without your consent.
-Eleanor Roosevelt


Alone we can do so little, together we can do so much.
- Helen Keller

Don't follow the path. Go where there is no path and begin the trail.
- Ruby Bridges


But what do dreams know of boundaries?
- Amelia Earhart

I had reasoned this out in my mind; there was one of two things I had a right to, liberty or death; if I could not have one, I would have the other.
- Harriet Tubman


All adventures, especially into new territory, are scary.
- Sally Ride




HELEN KELLER



ROSA PARKS



SALLY RIDE



RUBY BRIDGES

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Help make a Difference in a Child's Life

Here are some ways you can help out at the Center:

Wills and Bequests—Gifts will be invested to insure quality services for youth in the future. Gifts can last a lifetime. Please consider us when making your final requests.

Memorial/Honor Gifts—Gifts made in memory of a deceased loved one or in honor of a family member or friend.

Miranda Harper Scholarship—Donations can be made to our Scholarship fund to help our students with college expenses.

In-kind Gifts—Gifts such as clothing, toiletries and household items can also be donated. For current list of needs, see pages 3 and 4.

Monetary Donations—Checks made payable to: 14th and Chestnut Community Center, 1403 Chestnut St., Terre Haute, IN 47807.

Endowment Fund—If you would like to contribute to our Endowment Fund through the Wabash Valley Community Foundation, contact the Center at 812-232-3126.

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After School Program Monday—Friday

3:00 pm—6:00 pm
Snack served at 3:00 pm
Dinner served at 5:30 pm

Food Pantry
Tuesdays 9:00 am—12:00 pm

Executive Directors

Amanda Otieno
Connor Scanlon

Assistant Director

Laresha Johnson