

News Around the Corner

April 2024

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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Verse of the Month: Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. John 14: 6



19th Annual 14th & Chestnut Community Center Gifts From The Heart Banquet

THURSDAY, April 18, 2024 Doors Open– 6 pm Dinner—6:30 pm Maryland Community Church 46 campus 4700 IN-46, Terre Haute, IN 47802

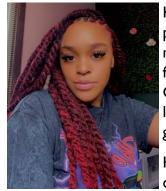
MULTIPLYING

Please come join us for a night to celebrate how God has and is moving at 14th and Chestnut. This will be a great opportunity to hear how staff and volunteers, past and present, 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 our costs to pay for summer staff. This is a little over 10% of our budget every year. We are praying you will considering giving a 1 time gift or coming on as a monthly giver at a financial amount you feel comfortable at. Our hope is with such a large amount of people coming on at monthly giving we will be able to raise the funds we need for our summer staff. We are still raising funds for the roof but feel confident we will be able to get grants this year to finish that project!

Reservations requested by April 4th, 2024.

Call 812-232-3126 or email connorscanlon81@gmail.com to register for the banquet. We will have room for registrations after April 4th but we need that deadline for our food vendors.

Staff Spotlight College Senior Edition



Hi!! I'm Lonyse Miller i am majoring in Human Development and Family Science. I plan to graduate May 2024. After graduation, I plan to hopefully spend my last summer here at 14th and Chestnut and then go to my hometown, Indianapolis, and to find a job at my old high school mentoring young adolescents. I have been at 14th CCC since 2019 and it was truly a blessing being able to be a light in these children's lives. I love the center and everything they do for their community thank you for a great college career!

Hello, I am Dayjah and I am obtaining my Bachelors in Social Work and minoring in Counseling. I am going on to pursue my license as a license Bachelor of Social Work

(LBSW) and work as a medical social worker/care coordinator at Eskenazi Hospital and IPS schools. My favorite memory at the center was working with K-2 boys teaching the life skill about how to tie their shoes; the kiddos left that day knowing how to tie their shoes and learned a independent life skill of being able to do that on their own. It had been a great experience !





Hi,my name is Priscela and I am a psychology major with a criminal justice minor and I am graduating this

summer. My favorite memory at the center would have to be playing just dance with the K-2 boys. After school I am moving to Indianapolis and will work as a registered behavioral technician.

Hey, I am Karsen and I am majoring in Human Development and Family Science

with a minor in Counseling. After graduation, I hope to become a child therapist or a school counselor! I have been so grateful to have this opportunity to do my internship here at 14th & Chestnut. I have loved working with the children, and seeing the impact

we all have on their lives. I have had the chance to bond and create new



friendships with the other interns as well, and that's something I'll forever be appreciative of!

Volunteer Spotlight

Shout out to our newest pantry men volunteers. We have four newer men, Cotton, Jeff, Randy, and Gary (not pictured). Cotton has been with us for about a year, Jeff about six months and Randy and Gary about four months. These men are kind, hardworking, ready to help and have a good sense of humor. Each of them bringing something unique to our pantry family. We don't know what we would do without any of our wonderful men helping us out. THANK YOU!!

April 2024 NEEDS LIST 14th and Chestnut Community Center

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Visit our Website! 14thandchestnut.weebly.com

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

<u>Thank You</u> 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!

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

BIGGEST NEEDS

Grumbling Tummies Café — We are in need of a meat slicer.

Food Pantry- Cereal, pasta sauces, potatoes, hamburger helper meals

Homework Room– We are in need of consistent homework help volunteers. If you or anyone else is able to help give us a call at 812-232-3126.

Clothes Closet—The weather is changing and our clothes closet is looking a bit empty. We need **boy** sizes **6-14 sweat pants, jeans, and long sleeve shirts** and **PJs 10-14**. We also need **girl sizes small– large leggings**, **shirts sizes 6-16, underwear** for sizes **14-18**. We could also use **adult women sizes 5-7** and all size Pjs.

Merit Mart—We are in need of toys such as cars, action figures, **art/craft sets**, dolls, Lego sets, as well as jewelry, **room decorations, perfumes and body products, watches, sports equipment**, etc. to stock our Merit Mart. This is a way we can reward our kids for good behavior, so we could use your help to get it restocked for the school year.

Building & Grounds— We could use some bulletin board letters and bulletin board paper.

GRUMBLING TUMMIES CAFÉ

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

We would 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.

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 items for middle and high school children such as room decorations, jewelry (boys or girls), Small Lego sets, lotions, perfumes/ colognes, paints and canvases, squishmellows and keychains. 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 needs for the food pantry are potatoes- mashed, scalloped etc., peanut butter, pasta and pasta sauces- spaghetti, alfredo, etc., cereal, canned peaches or fruit, canned carrots, peas and beans, and canned meat- tuna, chicken, salmon.

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 but our k-5 kids utilize our clothes closet the most so our younger sizes go quickly!

We need **boys sizes 6-14 graphic tees, long sleeves, jeans and sweatpants**. We could also use boys PJs sizes 10-14. For the **girls** we need **sizes 6-16/18 leggings, shirts and PJs.** The girls also need **adult sizes 5-8 clothing and girls underwear sizes 14-18.**

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, cooking supplies or and any other gift a mom might like. Gift cards for dining out, or local grocery stores.

BUILDING & GROUNDS

Cleaning supplies—Pledge, Spic and Span, Lysol Wipes

Gift wrap— Tissue paper, gift bags, wrapping paper, tape

Bulletin board paper and letters

Thank you for your continued prayers and support! If you would like to give a monetary donation online, scan the QR code. You can give a one-time gift or sign

up for a monthly donation.





Custodial Position Available

14 and Chestnut is on the hunt for a skilled custodian with abundant energy and thrives working alone. This job looks like 20 hours a week Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The custodian is

responsible for a variety of maintenance, cleaning, and sanitation within the center and our pantry. Some job responsibilities include but are not limited to: sweeping, vacuuming, taking trash out, restocking/ cleaning bathrooms and mopping. There are various small or odd jobs that may come up throughout the year at different times like changing clock times, or lightbulbs or shoveling/ maintaining the grounds outside. We are looking for someone who takes pleasure in cleaning and can be attentive to the cleanliness of our organization. For more information please feel free to reach out to us at 812-232-3126!

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 28– August 2, 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. 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!

Second Cook

At the end of April, we will have a cook position open. We are looking for someone who can work well with a partner and volunteers. We want someone with experience cooking for crowds and has a passion for cooking. This jobs looks like prepping snack and cooking dinner during the school year and breakfast and lunch during the summer. This position is about 25 hours during the school year (1pm-6pm) and 30 hours during the summer (7:30am-1:30pm) and closed the month of August. The cook is also responsible for the cleaning and sanitation of the kitchen, laundry, planning a monthly menu and milk inventory. We follow the Child and Adult Care Food Program so being familiar with those guidelines is preferred but not required. If interested or want more information, give us a call!

CLUB 22:6

"Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it" Proverbs 22:6

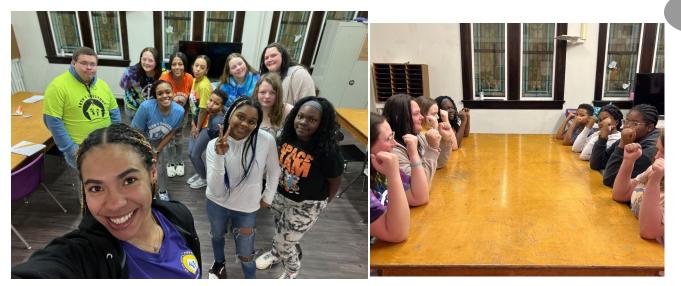
At the end of January, Laresha revamped and started our 6th and Up group again. This was an existing program called "Against the Flow" that hasn't been available to our older kids since COVID-19. While planning to bring this program back, the kids helped choose the name of program and gave feedback on what they would like to get from it. The vision of this program is to provide a space that promotes growth within spiritual and work readiness skills and having fun while doing so. Each club meeting we focus on an engaging Bible study to help nurture their growth. This program aims to help promote empowerment, constructive use of time, positive values, social competencies, and positive identity in our 6th grade and older kids that will hopefully stay with them throughout their lives.

Some things that they've done in the past couple of months include a day of drama and group building activities with our favorite drama lady, Jessica. For Black History Month, they got in groups and did a short research activity over an influential Black person they looked up to and the next meeting they did a Disney Lip Sync Battle. On March 15, Laresha took eight kids to see Drum Tao performing arts show at Rose Hulman. The kids were mesmerized by the performance and loved the experience. Thanks to Jessica and the Rose Hulman Theater Department, they got to experience something they've never seen before.

For the month of February they talked about God's Love and how it is never ending, unwavering, and unconditional. They learned that agape love is God's unconditional love for us regardless of our situation or circumstance and that you can only receive this kind of love from Him. In March they talked about Anger. They learned how we respond in our anger is what matters. The story came from when Jonah was angry that God was going to show grace and compassion toward the people of Ninevah. It reminded us that that no one deserves His grace and compassion and that God has concern for those who are lost and those who follow Him. God has concern for people because He is a loving God and because He is the Creator.



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Riley Racers Penny War

HUGE THANK YOU to the students and staff at Riley Elementary for all their hard work and time collecting and counting the money they raised for the center. They were able to raise \$1,437.81 in ONE week!





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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.

Kroger Community Rewards- go online to krogercommunityrewards.com and register your Kroger Plus card with our organization.

14th and Chestnut **Community Center** 1403 Chestnut St. Terre Haute, IN 47807 812-232-3126 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 Director** Connor Scanlon **Director of Operations** Laresha Johnson **Director of Programming** Ella Houvenagle