



# News Around the Corner

July 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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## Field Trip Fun!

Every summer, we do everything we can to help our children create lasting memories. One of our favorite ways to do this each week is with field trips!



We started the summer with a Carnival at the Center. We had lots of carnival games for the children to play, prizes to win, snow cones to enjoy, and even a dunk tank where they could dunk some of their favorite leaders! We were also blessed to have a group of Terre Haute Police Officers come with their SWAT vehicle, as well as a group of Terre Haute Fire Fighters with a fire truck. It was a great day for everyone!

Our first official field trip was to Splash Island in Plainfield. We took a group to the water park to enjoy swimming, diving, water slides, a lazy river, obstacles and more!

Other field trips we have planned include going to the movies, going bowling, swimming, going to the YMCA the Bouncin Barn!

## Verse of the Month:

**Psalm 119:105**

**“Your word is a lamp for my feet, a light on my path.”**

## Staff Spotlight



Lonyse Miller is one of our AMAZING leaders for our 6th grade and older girls group. Lonyse is an absolute light at the Center, bringing the energy through creative games and activities she plans, the singing and dance moves for chapel time, and the overall positivity and leadership she shows.

Lonyse does such a wonderful job working with teenage girls, which is not always an easy task. But she is an incredible role model, she builds relationships with the girls, and she helps lead and guide them toward the amazing people God has created them to be.

Lonyse is currently entering her senior year at ISU. We love having her as a part of our team at 14th and Chestnut, and we hope to keep her around as long as we can!!! But we know she will be a light and an asset anywhere she goes!

## Volunteer Spotlight



Ms. Jane Tennis came into the Center this past Spring wanting to volunteer. As a retired 4th grade teacher, she came in wanting to help with homework help or tutoring. After talking more, we came up with a plan for her to come and play math games with our kiddos, helping them to learn in a fun way. Ms. Jane comes twice a week and works with all of our groups, playing games, giving prizes, and expanding our kiddos' minds.

We were not sure what to expect or how it would go, but the children and their leaders LOVE having Ms. Jane come! She brings so much energy and joy with her to the Center! Her approach to learning through playing games helps the children to engage without feeling like they are in a classroom. They simply have a good time! Thank you so much, Ms. Jane, for the time you dedicate to our children. We appreciate you so very much!

## Room Spotlight

The Sanctuary is a very important part of our program at 14th and Chestnut. Every morning during the school year we gather in the Sanctuary for chapel time, learning weekly memory verses, hearing stories and lessons from the Bible, and singing songs together. We also use the Sanctuary for many other activities. When we have guest speakers like the Gideons or ISU Football players, they meet here. We also use the Sanctuary for games of Jeopardy, watching movies, completing Crew Challenges, and much more. It is a great space where everyone can be together.

This summer, our Sanctuary is decorated to match our theme of a Treasure Hunt on Adventure Island. We have island décor, pirates, a pirate ship, and Pirate Crew Flags made by each of our groups. We are having a great time learning about the best treasure of all, Jesus!



# July 2023 NEEDS LIST

## 14<sup>th</sup> and Chestnut Community Center

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Visit our Website! [14thandchestnut.weebly.com](http://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 July during the summer program:**

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

**Kitchen**— We are in need of breakfast foods such as eggs, sausage, and milk as well as any meats, vegetables or fruits to serve for lunches.

**Summer Items**— We are in need of beach towels and swimsuits for summer field trips. We are also in need of bottles of water. Please call the office for more information.

**Clothes Closet**—We are in need of shorts and t-shirts for all ages of children, but especially sizes 5-14. We could also use new packages of socks and underwear for children of all ages.

**Volunteers**—We have opportunities to serve in our kitchen, in Clothes Closet, driving for field trips, and in our food pantry. Call the office for more information.

### GRUMBLING TUMMIES CAFÉ

Serving daily breakfast and lunch throughout the summer. 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 items for older children such as room decorations, jewelry (boys or girls), small lego sets, lotions, 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

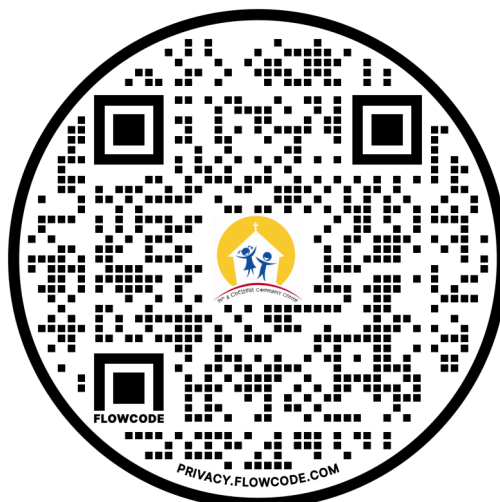
## BUILDING & GROUNDS

Cleaning supplies—Pledge, Spic and Span, Lysol Wipes

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.**



# Summer Fun!

This summer is full of amazing opportunities for our children! We've had the chance to do so many different activities. Our older groups have been taking trips to World Gospel to learn about gardening. Our older boys got to visit ISU's campus, tour the facilities and talk with some of the student athletes. Our 3rd-5th graders are working with Purdue Extension each week about how to run a Lemonade Stand. All of our groups have the opportunity to go and enjoy free summer movies in Paris or Brazil.

We also have lots of other crafts, games, activities and learning opportunities happening that keep our children engaged and having fun this summer. Thank you for supporting the Center and helping to make these opportunities available!



## Special Groups

We have been very blessed by different groups from the community who have taken their time to come and share with our children. So far this summer we've had the Gideons who came and shared the Gospel and provided each child with a Bible. We also enjoyed a visit from the ISU Freshman Football team, who came and shared with the children and then stayed to spend time with them. We had a great group of ladies from Union Baptist Church who came and put on our June Birthday party as well, providing cookies and ice cream and a fun craft!

We couldn't do what we do without the support of such an amazing community. Thank you! If you have a group that would like to get involved, please call the office at 812-232-3126.



We are preparing for our Back to School Blast on August 4th, where we provide a new pair of shoes and a backpack full of school supplies to each of our regularly-attending children. Here are the items we are collecting:

### **2023 School Supply List for 14th and Chestnut Community Center**

Scissors (Pointed Metal)	Rulers (Inches and Metric)
#2 Pencils	Markers
Erasers	Highlighters
Pencil Boxes (Carrying Cases)	Colored Pencils
Wide- Ruled Spiral Bound Notebooks	Dry Erase Markers
1 inch 3-Ring Binders	24-Pack Crayons
Folders w/ Pockets	Ball Point Pens (Blue or Black Ink)
Glue (Bottle and Stick)	Backpacks (especially for teens)

We would like to have all items or donations in by Friday, July 28th to be ready for our Back to School Blast on August 4th. Please call the office and speak with Connor or Amanda if you would like to know what items we are still needing.

## **14<sup>th</sup> & Chestnut Community Center Golf Scramble**

**Join us on Friday, August 25th for our annual golf scramble as we hit the links to support 14<sup>th</sup> and Chestnut.**

**Date: Friday, August 25<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

**Where: Idle Creek Golf Course**

**Time:**

**Registration: starts at 7:15 a.m.**

**Tee-off: 8:00 a.m. with lunch to follow.**

**Cost: \$75/golfer or \$300/foursome (includes 18 holes with cart & lunch)**

**To Sign Up**

**Text 14CCC GOLF to 812-593-6266**

**Email: [connorscanlon81@gmail.com](mailto:connorscanlon81@gmail.com)**

**Call the center office 812-232-3126**

Payments via cash or check can be made the day of the outing or before.

Payments can be mailed to 1403 Chestnut Street Terre Haute, IN 47807.

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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

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**Assistant Director**  
Laresha Johnson