OPPORTUNITY HOUSE

empowering people with developmental disabilities

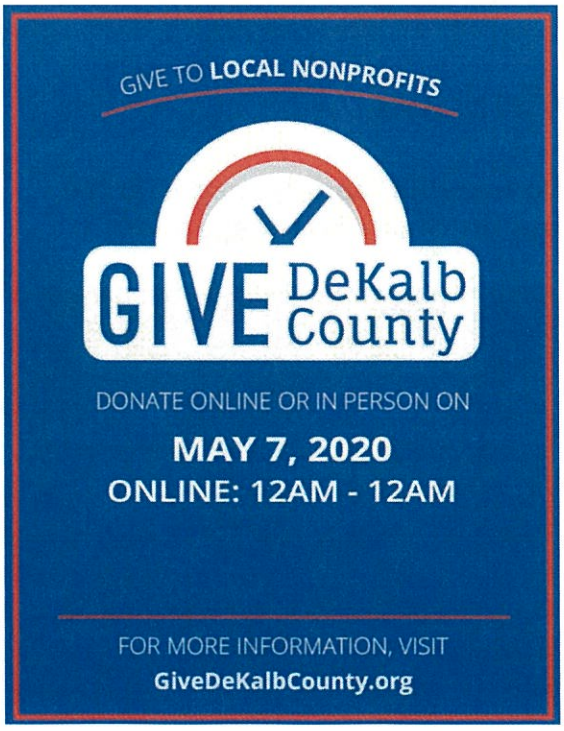
May 2020

Coping With COVID-19

Opportunity House takes the health and safety of our clients and staff seriously. During this public health crisis of COVID-19, we are vigilant in cleaning, sanitizing, adhering to strict social distancing practices and the use of masks in all of our group homes. Thank you to all our superhero staff who make sure we are safe, wear our masks, social distance, zoom friends, and stay connected to family.

We also want to thank the community for their support and continued commitment to ensure we have the food and supplies needed to keep staff and clients safe and healthy. THANK YOU.

Give DeKalb County
May 7, 2020

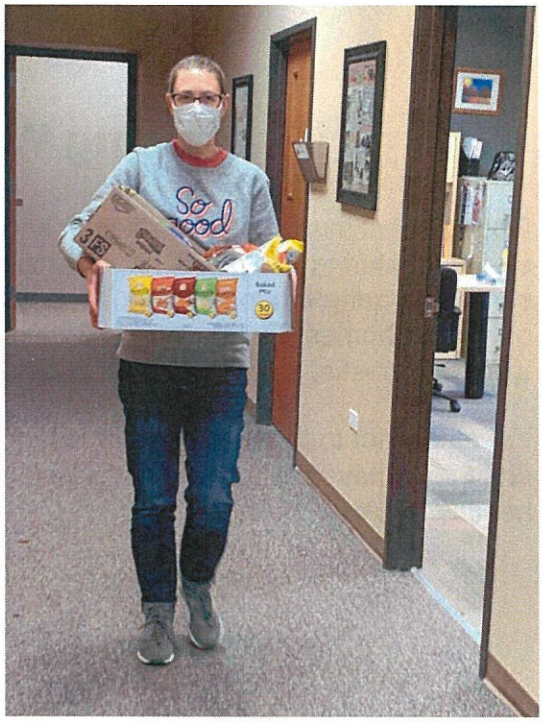


Give on May 7!

DeKalb County Community Gardens Supports Opportunity House

Thank you to DeKalb County Community Gardens for donating fresh produce to distribute among our group homes. James, Case Manager at our CLF home, helps separate the produce as Nikki, Residential Director, makes deliveries.

James Jackson, Case Manager at CLF



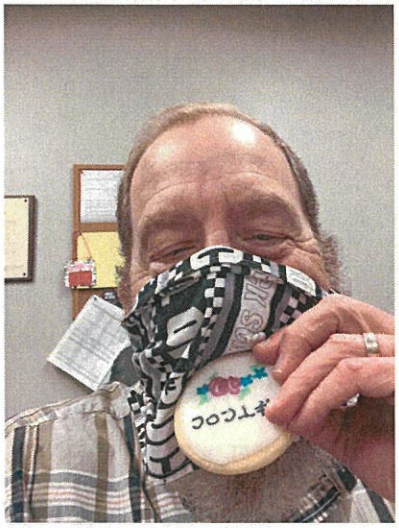
Nikki Safford, Residential Director

Thankful Windows

Together staff and clients create some beautiful spring images in the windows of our group homes in support of our first-responders.

Thank You to Taking Care of Our Caretakers DeKalb County

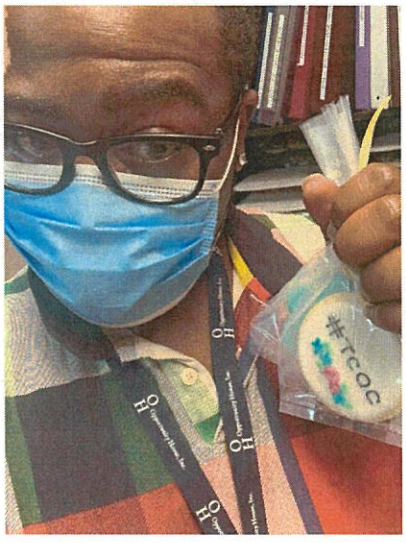
Taking Care of Our Caretakers DeKalb County treated each of our 137 staff members to Sweet Dreams cookies. As you can see we loved the cookies and we appreciate the recognition! Thank you!



Ken Safford, Director of Operations

Tricia Nicolay, Nurse

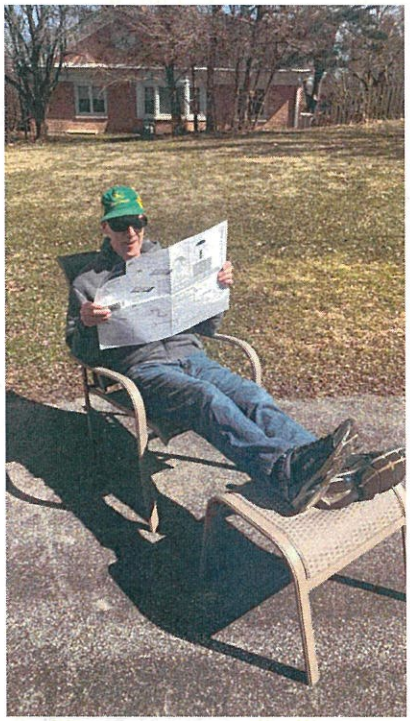
Kelsey Quinn, Recreation Coordinator



James Jackson, Case Manager at CLF

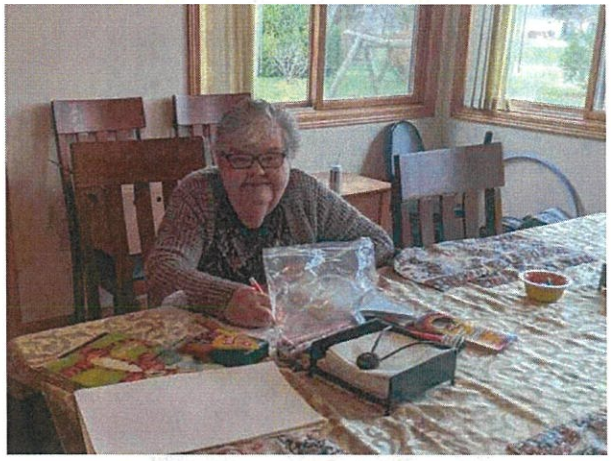
Staying Safe at Home

A big thank you to our amazing staff who are keeping us safe and helping us adjust to a new normal.



Mark enjoys time outside reading the paper.

Sharp soccer skills David!



Laurel works on craft projects.

Sheila stays in touch with her family daily.

Sam kept busy by making a coconut cream pie to share with her housemates after dinner. She even toasted the coconut for the top!

Staff organize a Zoom meeting to help us stay in touch with our friends! We had a great conversation and enjoyed seeing each other.

Thank You to All Our Donors

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Tributes

In Honor of Mary Jo Johnson
Betty Johnson

In Honor of Kristine Lindstrom
Walter & Janet Raisch

In Honor of Stacy Rummel
Cheryl Ross

Ribeye Steaks, Hamburgers and Beef Stew Meat

Fire up the grill! Thank you to Helen Tralia for the donation of steaks, beef stew meat and hamburger to our group homes. Bring on the nice weather!

Gift Card Donations

Thank you to the Poorten family for gift cards that allow our group homes to utilize drive through dining. It's a nice break from all the extra cooking and cleaning that needs to be done during this time.

Upcoming Events

Give DeKalb County
Click Here to Give
Thursday, May 7, 2020
12 AM to 12 AM

Memorial Day
Opportunity House Closed
Monday, May 25, 2020

Independence Day
Opportunity House Closed
Friday, July 3, 2020

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