

# Catholic Charities Connections Spring 2022

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Hello {First Name},

With the winter weather behind us, we are looking forward to sunny days as we forge ahead on some exciting things for 2022. We'll be kicking off the Jackson County Child Advocacy Center expansion project any day now. Our Lenawee Children's Trauma Assessment Center is up and running, helping kids who have experienced trauma. With so much of our work focused on kids, there is always more to be done and we continue expanding and improving our services to help meet the needs before us.

With our recent Box Lunch event for St. Patrick's Day, we are once again reminded just how blessed we are... blessed by the community we serve, the volunteers who step up to help, and the generous donors, sponsors and partners who make it possible.

Don't forget to connect with us on social media throughout the year for all the latest news. Links at the bottom of this newsletter will help you find us.

## Updates

#### Thank you! We couldn't do it without you.



Thanks to you - our donors - we were able to surpass our fundraising goal for our Christmas appeal campaign. We also had a very successful St. Patrick's Day Box Lunch fundraiser, all due to our generous sponsors, volunteers, and donors.



#### Roadmap to Graduation Success Story

Our former Roadmap to Graduation student Ashley Miner went on to Nursing School at Lourdes College after high school. In December, she received her R.N. pin during the school's pinning ceremony.

Way to go, Ashley! We are proud of your success.

Find out more about our Roadmap program at www.catholiccharitiesjlhc.org/roadmap-tograduation.



## **Program News**

We are in great need of additional foster homes. If you have ever considered the journey of fostering, now is the time to step up and help provide a child with a secure and loving home. Call us at (517) 295-3334 to get started. Help a Child. Become a Foster Parent.

#### April is National Child Abuse Awareness & Prevention Month

Working *together,* we help children transforms lives and futures. We would like to highlight the importance of collaboration in supporting child abuse victims and preventing future harm by taking a look at the Child Advocacy Model. CCJLHC has two Child Advocacy Center programs; one in Jackson and one in Lenawee. CACs were born from the belief that we could do more to help a child if everyone involved in child maltreatment investigations worked together. <u>READ MORE</u>

At Catholic Charities, children are served through our CACs, our Foster Care & Adoption programs, our Counseling program and more. We work to improve the lives of children every day.





Our CACs are hosting events to raise awareness of the problem of child abuse. Find out about the **Truck-A-Palooza** event on *SATURDAY, APRIL 2nd* and register for our event with nationally renowned filmmaker **Sasha Neulinger** <u>HERE</u>.



Remembering Our Loved Ones

Our ADAM program is offering a way to honor your loved one with our butterfly plaque wall. Find out more <u>here.</u>

#### Volunteer Corner

### **Our Volunteers Make a Difference**



Each year, we count on a large number of volunteers to make our St. Patrick's Day Box Lunch event happen. We couldn't do it without the many hands, diligent work, strong backs, and countless hours.

Thank you to each and every volunteer who pitched in! You are a blessing to us.

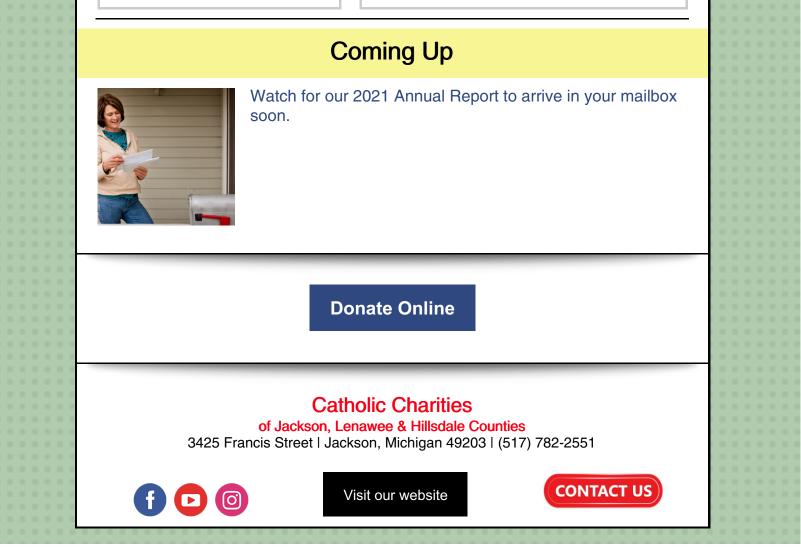
Want to see some photos from our St. Patrick's Day event? Click <u>HERE</u>.











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