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Hello Bea,

Can you believe it? It is once again time for our St. Patrick's Day lunch event. Time flies! Our year is off to a good start.

Lent provides us a great opportunity to reflect on the work of the Church, the work we do every day at Catholic Charities. We ask that you continue to keep our agency, our clients, our staff and volunteers all in your prayers throughout this time of year in particular. We couldn't do all we do without the guidance of the Holy Spirit and prayers of our faithful supporters.

Enjoy this issue of *Catholic Charities Connections*!

What's New?

Do More Through Legacy Giving

Legacy giving - often called planned giving - is a broad term used for a variety of ways one can help support a nonprofit in a very meaningful manner, while still ensuring their family is cared for after they are gone. We have a new brochure which helps identify ways you could leave a legacy gift to Catholic Charities of Jackson, Lenawee and Hillsdale Counties. The brochure can be downloaded [here](#). To receive a printed copy, or to set up a personal conversation, please contact our Development Director Bea Cuthbertson at [517.879.0599](tel:517.879.0599) or email development@CatholicCharitiesJLHC.org.



Thank you!

A recent grant award from the **Consumers Energy Foundation** will be used to help offset overage costs on our Jackson Child Advocacy Center location. The CAC had their expansion project completed and hosted an open house to show how our donor dollars are making an impact for the children in our community.

Gratitude

A caregiver who recently brought a young girl in for an interview at our Children's Advocacy Center of South Central Michigan sent a note of appreciation that we wanted to share with you. After their visit is complete, each child is offered a special "Comfort Quilt" to take home with them, reminding them their community cares about them. Our amazing and generous quilting volunteers are making a difference for these kids and we cannot thank them enough for stepping up with their talents.

She writes:

"(The client) has been thoroughly enjoying hers since the day she got it. She wore it out of the building like a hooded cape and then she wanted it that night in bed. We roll it up and she sleeps with it next to her, kind of like a body pillow. Please share our thanks with the volunteers.

It was definitely the sunny/bright spot on an otherwise gloomy day the day she received it. Thank you again."

A little gift goes a long way for those who are healing. If you want to get involved, contact Bea at [517.879.0599](tel:517.879.0599).



**Gold
Transparency
2024**

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We recently earned our 2024 Candid Gold Seal of Transparency! Check out our nonprofit profile to keep up to date with our impact. Find it at:

<https://www.guidestar.org/profile/38-1818593>

Upcoming Events

St. Patrick's Day Box Lunch Event

It's time for our 13th annual Box Lunch fundraising event. With your order, you help us make a difference in the lives of those who come to our doors each week. For just \$15 each, your lunch includes a delicious corned beef and Swiss sandwich, homemade coleslaw, chips, cookie and pickle spear.

*Have lunch on Thursday, March 14th and make a difference!
Order today to be sure we don't run out.*

We are in need of volunteers to help make our lunch on Wednesday, March 13th. Sign up at [HERE](#) or call Ken at [517.262.0466](tel:517.262.0466) to join the fun!

Don't miss out!

Order your St. Patrick's Day Box Lunch today.



www.CatholicCharitiesJLHC.org/Get-Involved

Volunteer Corner

Thanks to our Queen's Ladies

We want to give a nice 'shout out' to the group of dedicated volunteers we know as the "Queen's Ladies". As members of Queen of the Miraculous Medal parish, these gals are a constant presence in our community, helping any where they can serve. Fortunate for Catholic Charities, they always rise to the occasion when we need a hand. Whether preparing for an event, stuffing envelopes, or helping with one of our programs, their willingness and diligence are always appreciated. Thank you, Volunteers!



Volunteers Needed

Are you interested in helping? Here are a few ways you can get involved:

- Our **Senior Transportation** program needs drivers! Contact Kristen at [517.783.6102](tel:517.783.6102).
- We are looking for volunteers to help with our **St. Patrick's Day Box Lunch event**. Please contact Ken at 517.262.0466 to find out more or sign up [HERE](#).
- Are you a quilter? We are always looking for help with our **Comfort Quilts** project for our Child Advocacy Centers. Call Bea for information at [517.879.0599](tel:517.879.0599).
- We often need help with light maintenance, yard work, or light office work. Contact [Kristen](#) for more information.

Find other ways to help at www.catholiccharitiesjlhc.org/get-involved/.

We are always looking for amazing people to join our team of dedicated professionals. See our list of open positions on our [Careers](#) page and check back often.

Join our team!

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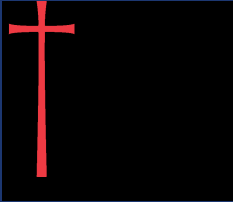
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Show your company support as a Community Partner. Your partnership will mean you are showcased as a sponsor for any - or all - of our events, featured listings in our newsletters, social media, website, and more. This simplified connection brings a one-time ask for a full year of impact, providing your business with greater exposure and helping impact our community in a bigger way.



Sound interesting? Call Ken at [517.782.2551](tel:517.782.2551) for your packet of information.

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