

Hopeful Horizons

Cross-Lines Community Outreach Monthly Update



December 2024

Hello Susila,

As the holiday season surrounds us with its glow, we are filled with gratitude for the warmth of your support. Your generosity lights the way for so many in need, offering hope and comfort during these chilly months.

Together, we're creating brighter horizons and ensuring that no one faces this season alone.

Thank you for being part of our Cross-Lines community!

With heartfelt appreciation,

Kelly and the Cross-Lines Team

P.S. Our Directors are looking for opportunities to speak to the community! We'd love to come out and tell your workplace, school, church, or neighborhood group more about Cross-Lines! If you'd like a member of our team to set up a time to visit, please reach out to Director of Development, Kelly Gough Moran: Kelly@cross-lines.org

Questions? Reply to this email or reach out to kelly@cross-lines.org

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October Service Numbers



YMSL



Market Visits: 1,365
Households served: 1,237



Meals served: 5,705



Bills Paid: \$17,400
Outreach Contacts: 72
People Housed: 2



Volunteer Hours: 1,496
Labor Value: \$47,588

December Volunteer Spotlight

Leydi Roa
Market



Hello, Leydi!

We are SO thankful for our Market Volunteers! From stocking the shelves, to assisting shoppers, to helping clean, we really couldn't run the Market without them!

How did you start/long have you been volunteering at Cross-Lines?

I've been volunteering for about eight months. I started coming because of Ms. Silvia, she invited me to come volunteer with her when she comes.

What do you love most about volunteering at Cross-Lines?

I love all the parts of Cross-Lines. I enjoy being a volunteer because it helps me pass the time and I get to be helpful, it's very pleasant and I feel comfortable.

Where can we usually find you volunteering?

I only volunteer at Cross-Lines, helping out the Market staff.

What is your favorite thing to bake or cook?

I love to cook everything. Some of my favorite things to make are tacos, mole, salads and enchiladas.

Thank you, Leydi!

If you are interested in volunteering, please visit <https://www.cross-lines.org/how-to-help/volunteer.html>

Bingo Bonanza at Hamburger Mary's!



On November 20th, Hamburger Mary's was the place to be as supporters gathered for an unforgettable evening of Ham-Bingo in support of Cross-Lines Community Outreach.

The sold-out event brought the house down with 10 thrilling rounds of bingo, a lively 50/50 raffle, and an electrifying drag performance that had everyone on their feet. It was a joyous occasion to see so many people pack the restaurant in support of our community.

Adding to the fun, the Cross-Lines staff joined the action with a little on-stage

entertainment, showcasing their enthusiasm and gratitude for the incredible turnout.

Together, we raised over \$3,000 to support Cross-Lines' life-saving mission, making a real impact for those in need in our community.

A huge thank-you to everyone who attended, cheered, and gave generously! Your support makes all the difference.

Stay tuned to our updates for the next Ham-Bingo event!

Cross-Lines Christmas Store: Bringing Joy and Hope to Families in Need



CHRISTMAS STORE WEEK: DEC 2nd-6th

Every holiday season, the Cross-Lines Christmas Store opens its doors to serve up to 400 Wyandotte County families with children, offering a dignified and joyful shopping experience. Volunteers have been working hard to prepare for the 2024 holiday season!

Accepted after applying online and scheduling their shopping time, families can select from toys for children and teens, household items, and supplemental groceries to help prepare holiday meals. **The Christmas Store provides much-needed relief during what can be a financially stressful time, ensuring that children wake up to gifts and families can enjoy a festive meal together.**

This annual effort is made possible through the generosity of local congregations, community members, and volunteers who come together to support our neighbors.

Thank you to all of our amazing volunteers and supporters who have helped make the Christmas Store magical again this year! With your help, we continue to spread joy and hope this holiday season!

Holiday Closures 2024

Cierres por días festivos

November 27th

All Services CLOSED CERRADO at Noon
Lunch available at Central United Methodist

November 28th & 29th

All Services CLOSED CERRADO

December 2nd - 6th

Community Market CLOSED
Dispensa de alimentos CERRADO

December 24th - Jan 1st

Services CLOSED - CERRADO
Sack Lunches Served at Kitchen
11 am - 1 pm Thurs 12/26, Tues 12/31

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