

THE HAMPDEN FAMILY CENTER

Dear Friend,

Join us in letting the community know *'We are still here for you'.*

We are thankful for each of you who joined us this year – facing the challenges, serving our neighbors, lending creative ideas, and simply not giving up!

Over the years, the Center has grown to be an anchor in Hampden: a place where people of all ages, needs, and backgrounds can access key services on their path to a better life. Especially as the need increases during COVID, we have been humbled by the number of clients who have referred others to us.

As we begin our next 25 years of service, our work is now more critical than ever. The Center's programs not only fill a void, but also open doors. We are here to empower our neighbors to break through the boundaries that lay around them – boundaries like poverty, substance abuse, and lack of educational support.

On days this year when the mission seemed daunting, we were consistently reminded of why we are all here. Reminders came from a breakthrough with a client, an outpouring of support for our distribution days, a volunteer's kind words and bright smile.

The pandemic has given us the opportunity to evaluate how we are serving Hampden. What's working well? What can be approached differently? How can we keep evolving to better meet the community's needs?

These are not easy questions, but they inform our path forward. The answers have been and will be life changing for thousands of individuals and families.

The journey has begun. Will you join us?

Please consider a gift this holiday season, which allows clients access to the essential resources many of us take for granted.

OUR MISSION

To enrich the lives of Hampden residents through education and professional support and to encourage individual growth and community fellowship.

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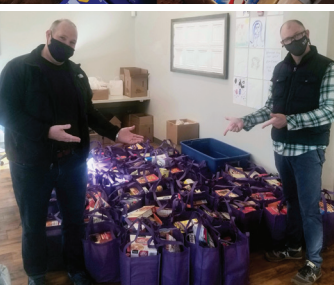
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Support, Comfort & Hope
FOR HAMPDEN RESIDENTS.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS! YOUR GENEROSITY IS GREATLY APPRECIATED.

PROGRAM & SERVICE HIGHLIGHTS

Through all the challenges that 2020 presented, The Hampden Family Center has continued to serve the community, providing support, comfort, and hope to the people who need it most.



COVID SUPPORT

LAUNCHED WEEKLY DISTRIBUTIONS OF FOOD, HEALTH, AND HYGIENE ITEMS

- Every Friday since May 8, we have held a distribution that serves 30-40 households
- Ensures clients have access to fresh, nutritious food and PPE

CONTINUED CUSTOMIZED CASE MANAGEMENT

Connecting clients to income supporting programs such as:

- Medical Assistance
- Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)
- Utility Assistance
- WIC (Women, Infants and Children)
- Economic Impact Payments

PROVIDED A MAILING ADDRESS FOR CLIENTS EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS

- Mail distribution has continued throughout the pandemic
- Over 50 clients utilize the service

CENSUS ENUMERATOR

- On September 24, a census enumerator was on-site to ensure our clients were counted regardless of current housing situation

COUNSELING SERVICES IN PARTNERSHIP WITH SPRINGBOARD COMMUNITY SERVICES

HOLIDAY SUPPORT

THANKSGIVING BASKETS

- 83 households (totaling more than 300 people) received Thanksgiving baskets

THANKSGIVING DAY MEAL

- We prepared hot meals for our clients in need on Thanksgiving Day

CHRISTMAS ANGELS

- More than 100 children were adopted this year and provided gifts on their wish list

WINTER GEAR FOR ADULTS & COATS FOR KIDS

YOUTH PROGRAMS

ADAPTED AFTER-SCHOOL ENRICHMENT PROGRAM

We adapted our After-School Enrichment Program for virtual learning, so students are still able to stay connected and engaged despite the distance:

- Art with a Heart weekly art activities
- Check-In Time with Ms. Dana
- Code In the Schools live coding instruction
- Spanish and French lessons from JHU Sharing Languages
- TasteWise Kids nutritional activity guides

*Coming Soon lessons with Hampden Dance Arts!

EVENT RECAP

Hats Off To Hampden

25TH ANNIVERSARY GALA TURNED VIRTUAL!

When COVID hit in March, we had to completely re-imagine our 400 person 25th Anniversary Celebration. Between stellar event chairs Dorothy and Paul Wolman, an incredible committee and dedicated staff we transformed Hats Off into a live virtual event complete with "Celebration Boxes" for each guest. The Modest Florist created beautiful centerpieces and The Wine Source provided champagne for our guests to toast in celebration. **Here's to the next 25!**

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