

WARM

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Restoring dignity and hope by  
offering a Hand Up, not a Hand Out.

## The gift of a WARM touch ...



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In the beginning of the holiday season, my husband, who is a dialysis patient at the Fresenius Westerville location, asked his social worker if she could help find our sons some Christmas gifts for the upcoming holiday. Unbeknownst to us, our social worker got us a referral and contacted WARM for us. Within a week, they gave us food for two weeks and signed us up for a Bob Evans Christmas Box for our Christmas dinner.

For the next two years, WARM truly lived up to their acronym; each staff person from the front desk to the warehouse personnel showed our entire family warmth, care, compassion and understanding. As the months went by, WARM's resources and food pantry helped our family of five maintain our monthly food supply which indirectly helped

with our financial situation. Over the course of that first year with the help of WARM's financial coach, we were able to get on a budget, learn to prioritize our bills and pay them on time. This enabled us to begin using their strategy towards self-sufficiency for our family. WARM's job coach and skills assessor empowered me to restart my job hunting endeavor. She encouraged me mentally and spiritually to apply for my own social work license. She literally cried with me, prayed and held my hand through countless situations in our family's life. Her selfless acts of service gave me hope once again so that I could continue making wise choices for myself, my disabled husband and our three sons as we tried to rebuild our lives.

**MY COACH EMPOWERED ME, ENCOURAGED ME, CRIED WITH ME AND PRAYED WITH ME. SHE GAVE ME HOPE ONCE AGAIN SO I COULD MAKE WISE CHOICES.**

I could continue writing about WARM, but there is not enough time nor space. Moreover, our family's relationship with WARM is a priceless treasure that has a rare value for us. Subsequently, we know that when God looks at WARM, He will only see a direct reflection of Himself at work within the lives of His people for His people. WARM is God sent! Therefore, may God continue to shine His face upon you and give you His peace.

*Abundant Thanks and Forever Love, The Williams Family*

# WARM ways

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Westerville Area Resource  
Ministry, Westerville, Ohio.



## NEW TO WARM?

Call for a tour and experience  
how we strive to provide a  
Hand Up!

## CONNECT WITH US

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**By Cheryl Wooten - Editor**  
Dear Reader:

As summer approaches and we jump right from winter into 80+ humid degrees, our minds turn toward vacation, relaxing and taking a break from everyday concerns. The days off are well-deserved and most likely long overdue. We feel the sand on our toes or, for some of us, a staycation is just the ticket to recharge.

For WARM clients and neighbors who work at surviving, summer adds other worries. There is no time-off from juggling bills, medicine and nutrition. There is no planning long vacations, and relaxation seems very much for other people.

Yet, you who support WARM help to offer brighter days and hope for a better tomorrow. Your donations help produce Westerville Area Kids Lunch Club, a place where children ages 1-18 can find a nutritious meal, lots of interactive activities and a summer of positive, safe alternatives. There is fresh produce the whole family can enjoy. There are activities that remind us that summer is a time to explore, create and yes, relax.

When you plan your summer, we ask that you do not forget your place at WARM's table. Please consider a financial donation to help pantry services, work initiatives and Westerville Area Kids Lunch Club thrive during this season.

With WARM Appreciation,  
Cheryl, Director, Development and Communications



## Servant Leaders *Serve the Lord with gladness. Psalm 100:2*

So far, 109 groups have served in some capacity at WARM in 2018. Here are just a few.

**1.** Huntington National Bank checked expiration dates on donations and prepared product for WARM's inventory process. **2.** Olentangy Orange Middle School showed their care for the community by sorting donations and packaging meals for Share Bac A Pac. **3.** In lieu of gifts, Alayna asked her friends and family to bring donations for WARM to her birthday party. *Follow us on Facebook and Instagram for more.*

*If you are interested in being a servant leader contact Taylor Owens at 614-899-0196 X211 or [taylor@warmwesterville.org](mailto:taylor@warmwesterville.org).*



### Westerville Area Kids Lunch Club



The Westerville Area Kids Lunch Clubs is a **FREE** program that provides children 1-18 with nutritious meals and coordinated enrichment activities throughout the summer when school is not in session.

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**614-899-0196 X218**

*This institution is an equal opportunity provider.*



## May 29 - August 10 Outdoors, rain or shine.

The Kids Lunch Club will serve on weekdays at the following locations:

### Abbey Lane Apartments

4301 Goldengate Oval  
 Columbus, OH 43224  
 11:30am-12:15pm

### Alum Creek South Park

535 Park Meadow Rd  
 Westerville, OH 43081  
 11:00-11:45am

### Huber Village Park

362 Huber Village Blvd  
 Westerville, OH 43081  
 11:30am-12:15pm

### Northtowne Park

4767 Northtowne Blvd  
 Columbus, OH 43229  
 11:15am-12:00pm

### Parkridge Park

4497 Brokaw Dr  
 Columbus, OH 43231  
 12:15-1:00pm

### Ridgewood Park

5402 Buenos Aires Blvd  
 Westerville, OH 43081  
 11:45am-12:30pm

### Strawberry Farms Park

5137 Marden Ct  
 Columbus, OH 43230  
 12:00-12:45pm

### Parkridge Village Apartments

4340 Thornapple Cir E  
 Columbus, OH 43231  
 11:45am-12:30pm

### Walnut Ridge Park

525 E Walnut St  
 Westerville, OH 43081  
 11:00-11:45am

### WARM Bus @ Brookeville Apartments

6803 Sharon Ct  
 Columbus, OH 43229  
 11:15am-12:00pm

Hang out after lunch for  
**Sports • Games • Crafts  
 & Much More!**

# UNITY THROUGH PEACE — PRAY FOR AMERICA!



**May 3, 2018** marked the **16<sup>th</sup>** year of the **Westerville Community Prayer Breakfast**. Each year this sold out event takes time to reflect and celebrate the many blessings experienced throughout our community. The highlights of the morning were the presentation of colors by the **Westerville Honor Guard**, remarks by **Mayor Craig Treneff** and inspirational speaker **Dr. Marlene Carson**. WARM also awarded 6 recipients the **'Hand Up' Award**. This award recognizes those in the community who exemplify WARM's practice of *Restoring Dignity and Hope, by Offering a Hand Up*. Receiving the award were; **Jeff and Karen Cholley** for their faithful support of the mission of WARM, **Terry Deinlein** for his volunteer service and assisting in service learning projects, **Craig and Nancy Haynam**, Craig serves as our facilities handyman and Nancy serves in the Choice-Food Pantry. **Tom Mertzluft** for his time volunteering in the Distribution Center, driving the WARM fleet and assisting the Manager of Facilities, **Canvas Church** for their dedication to service projects, quarterly faith services and pantry supply of milk, participation in 4th of July parade and Holiday Food Drive. **Jamie Maze** for her constant reminder of what good can come about from one person's passion to make a difference.



Nancy and Craig Haynam

Thank you to all who participated and attended the Westerville Community Prayer Breakfast.

Let us make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace.

—Ephesians 4:3



Dr. Marlene Carson



## PANTRY DONATIONS

### Most Needed Items:

- Vinegar
- Dish detergent
- General cleaning products
- Cereal – hot or cold
- Canned fruit
- Canned chicken
- Canned tuna
- Condiments  
(ketchup, salad dressing, relish, bbq sauce, etc.)
- Deodorant
- Shampoo

Fresh produce is also welcome. Call 614-899-0196 for details.



### Ease of Giving:

- Check
- Paypal
- Online



Every dollar helps feed a neighbor.

— HERE'S WHATS —

# GOING ON

SAVE THE DATES



## Westerville Area Kids Lunch Club

**May 29 - August 10** The Westerville Area Kids Lunch Club is a **FREE** program that provides children 1-18 with nutritious meals and coordinated enrichment activities throughout the summer when school is not in session. You can find serve times and locations on our website or page 3. **Want to volunteer?** Contact Elizabeth at 614-899-0196 X218.



## July 4th Parade

**Parade 1pm** St. Paul the Apostle Catholic Church, 313 N. State St. to Electric Ave. The Parade will begin at the intersection of N. State Street and Old County Line Road. It will then proceed south on State Street to Electric Avenue, then east on Electric Avenue to Westerville South High School. **Bring canned goods to donate to WARM.**



## Westerville Music and Arts Festival

**July 14, 10am-7pm; July 15, 10am-4pm** Bring your family for a weekend of inspiring art from local and national artists while walking the picturesque grounds of rustic Heritage Park. Now, in the Chambers 45th year, they will bring you even more music, delicious food trucks and concessions and the best in art. **Stop by the WARM booth to say hello and learn more about WARM.**



## The Great Westerville Food Truck Fest Benefiting WARM

**September 9, 12-7pm** Nationwide Children's Close to Home, 455 Executive Campus Dr., Westerville. Rain or shine admission is **FREE**. Gourmet grub from 32 food trucks, community service project, live entertainment, all day activities for all ages. **Donations accepted throughout the day.**

### Special Feature! Cops & Kids

**Next door 12-4pm!** Westerville Sports Complex. Admission is **FREE**. Designed to provide children the opportunity to interact with the law enforcement community. Agencies throughout the state attend this annual event with cruisers, helicopters, motorcycles, tactical vehicles, K-9s, arts and crafts, inflatable gyms and other activities including the ever-popular "Dunk-a-Cop" tank.



# Scott Marier

## Executive Director

Looking back, 2017 marked several milestones in WARM's history. Our combined nutritional programs and food distribution amounted to over 400,000 meals being shared with our neighbors in need. We celebrated our 45th anniversary of serving our community. We were recognized by City Scene Magazine as "Best of Columbus", placing 1st for "Best Volunteer Experience" and 3rd for "Best Food Themed Event" for The Great Westerville Food Truck Fest.

Other results of our efforts are briefly outlined in this report along with the stories of some of the folks we had the privilege of helping. Even more information can be found on our website, [www.warmwesterville.org](http://www.warmwesterville.org).

Helping others who experience poverty remains our mission and the purpose of WARM. We remain committed with laser-like focus to advance this mission. WARM's initiatives to mitigate hunger and relieve the negative effects of poverty through our services are foremost in our efforts to improve the quality of life for people in our community and the residents of our school district. WARM is an "influence for good." We care and actively work for the well-being of our city!



Westerville Area Kids Lunch Club 2017

Your passion and partnership is essential in bringing forth the transformation of our community in physical, relational and spiritual ways. Together we're making a significant difference in real-time!

Looking ahead, we can do more together to continue to make a meaningful impact and lasting improvement in the lives of others. Working collectively and with God, it is more than possible – it is doable! So let's collaborate and mobilize our resources and see what we can accomplish in the coming year!

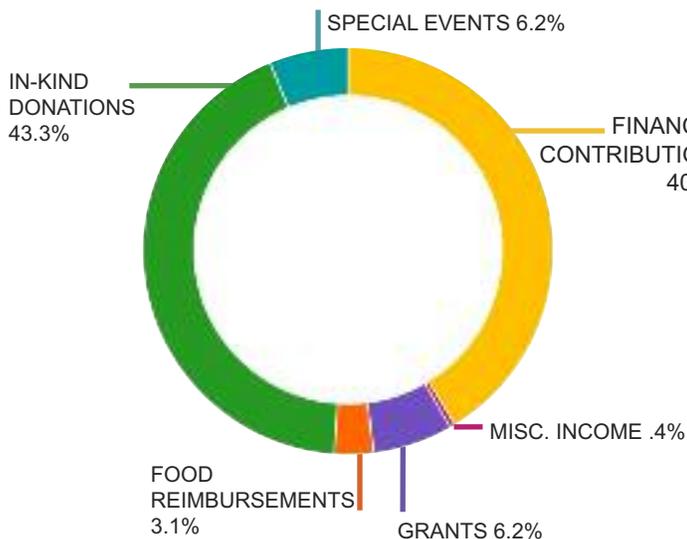
Thanks for your partnership.

With WARM Appreciation,

Contact us at [www.warmwesterville.org](http://www.warmwesterville.org) to learn more about how you can make a transformational impact by joining WARM in working to address poverty and food insecurity.

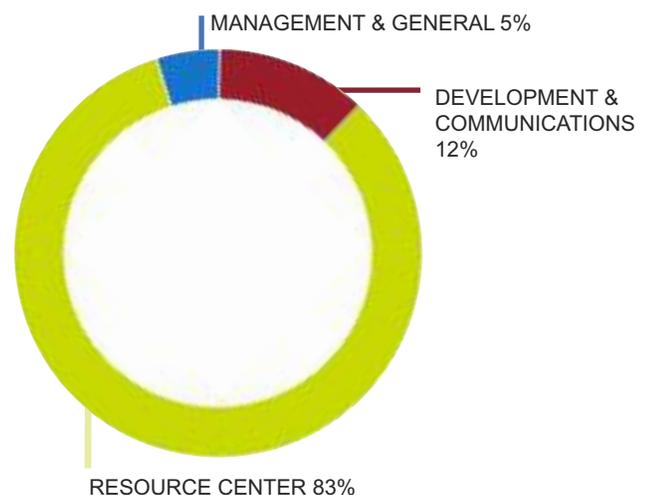
## Financial Performance 2017 - Un-Audited

### REVENUE



Financial Contributions	\$ 879,641
Grants	\$ 134,440
Special Events	\$ 134,046
Food Reimbursements	\$ 67,604
Miscellaneous Income	\$ 7,525
In-Kind Donations	\$ 932,289
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,155,545</b>

### EXPENSE



Resource Center	\$1,734,172
Management & General	\$ 114,428
Development & Communications	\$ 257,735
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,106,335</b>

**2017 Net Assets \$1,771,383**



Jeremy has two younger siblings. He feels responsible for them and would go to any length to make sure they have food for the weekend. His mom works two jobs to make ends meet and relies on Jeremy a lot. Once the Share Bac A Pac program got implemented in his school he was able to get food for the weekend for him and his siblings.

## WARM Ways

<b>Serving Size</b>	52 sq miles Westerville School District
<b>*Amount Living in Poverty</b>	(Franklin Co.)
<b>Adults</b>	125,574
<b>Children</b>	64,186
<b>Seniors</b>	11,882
<b>Total Impact</b>	
<b>Meals Provided</b>	259,692
<b>Farmers Market Produce</b>	30,784 lbs
<b>Households Served</b>	5,873
<b>Programs</b>	<b>Serving Size</b>
<b>Westerville Area Kids Lunch Club</b>	43,374
<b>Share Bac A Pac</b>	37,510
<b>Kids Lunch Club Produce</b>	63,552 lbs
<b>Volunteers</b>	
<b>Hours</b>	26,024
<b>People</b>	11,223
<b>Service Projects</b>	192
<b>Value of Donation</b>	
<b>\$1 Provides</b>	2 nutritious meals

\*US Census Bureau



My children and I found WARM in our deepest time of need. As a single parent I never could have imagined the love, support and care we have received. Our future is getting brighter everyday because of the staff and volunteers who treat us like family at WARM.



150 Heatherdown Dr.  
Westerville, OH 43081

Providing a Hand Up through our valued champions

## FUN-FUNDRAISERS

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**FORE!**

LOOK OUT  
FOR THESE TWO  
GOLF-TO-GIVE  
FUNDRAISERS  
BENEFITING  
WARM



Come out and support Joey's legacy of love by participating in his golf outing. Joey passed away unexpectedly in July 2016. In his short but full life, he left a legacy and an impression on those close to him and on the world.

**Saturday, June 23, 2018**

**Time: Morning Flights**

Registration 7am; Shotgun Start 8am

**Afternoon Flights**

Registration 1pm; Shotgun Start 2pm

**Format :** Scramble

**Where:** Royal Links Golf Course  
3300 Miller-Paul Rd.  
Galena, OH 43021

**Entry Fee:** \$125/golfer  
[www.joeycastrodale.com](http://www.joeycastrodale.com)



Welcome to our 3rd year of The Stop Shop charity golf scramble benefiting WARM!

**Sunday, July 22, 2018**

**TIME:** 2 - 6pm — Shotgun start

**Where:** Blackhawk Golf Club  
8830 Dustin Road  
Galena, OH 43021

**Entry Fee:** \$75/golfer,  
box lunch included

Great prizes, fun games, 50/50 drawing and a lot of shenanigans as usual.

**Call Todd at 614-440-9994 or  
Chris at 614-402-9984** with any  
questions about the event, sponsorship  
opportunities and registration or visit:  
[https://www.facebook.com/events/  
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