



2024 Challenge Update!

I have been approached by a local business to issue a new challenge specific to our area businesses to help sponsor the cost of two children to attend Cherry Street after school. The annual cost per child is approximately \$2,950 for an entire school year. The hope is to grow the number of local businesses that support what we do for the children. For each new business that sponsors a child, the current business donor will MATCH their funds which would cover two kids for the school year! To make the challenge even more meaningful to local businesses our parents have shared where they are employed. By supporting our work, they are also supporting their employees! A couple of specific businesses our parents work include: Orizon, Ashley Clinic, Cleaver Farm & Home, Bridgewood Cabinetry, Neosho Memorial Regional Medical Center, Advanced System Homes, Subway, the City of Chanute, B&W Chanute, Walmart, and Russell Stover. If you have a connection with one of these businesses, please share with them the important service we provide to our community for the children and their employees!

MISSION STATEMENT: Cherry Street Youth Center, Inc., is an ecumenical ministry formed to help children develop spiritually, emotionally, physically, and academically within their community.

We are a non-profit, faith-based youth center. Our focus has been to share the love of God through Jesus Christ with the elementary and middle school aged children in Chanute by providing them with a safe, secure, and fun place to go after school that offers a wide variety of learning experiences and opportunities.

Here's a fast and easy way to make your donation to Cherry Street. Use your PayPal account and scan our QR code



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October was a good month for our challenge! We received just over \$32,000 in donations! This means our first \$25,000 match has been met! If you know of anyone able to provide additional matching funds, please contact me at 620-431-2161. We still have quite a way to go to meet our goal. Please help us meet the challenge by donating today!!

All donations can be mailed to PO Box 414 Chanute, Ks 66720. You can also donate on line through our Facebook page (Cherry Street Youth Center) or our web site at www.cherrystreet.org. All donations count towards a tax deduction for you. We will mail tax documentation automatically for annual donations of \$200 or more.

Your Sister in Christ, *Jennifer*

2024 Coat Day!

Wow, we handed out 60 coats this year! That is double what was needed last year! Our kids are truly blessed to have a special donor that provides all the new coats every year for our Cherry St.

kids!! We want to thank the area churches and Ash Grove who donated hats and gloves for the kids too.

Our awesome volunteers keep things organized and help each child find the correct size that fits. Just another example of our valuable our volunteers are to our program!! I hope you all know how much you are appreciated and necessary for our ministry to touch so many children!



Fresh Fruit Friday

We would like to thank the Westview Southern Baptist Church for sponsoring the month of November!

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

Garden Winterizing

We teach the children that God gives us what we need to grow food for ourselves. Everything from the sunshine and rain to the seeds and soil. We just have to know what to do to keep things growing.

One part of gardening is preparing for the NEXT garden. The kids have been pulling sunflowers, and dried up plants and making a pile for burn. The ash will be good for the soil. They have also planted a cover crop of turnips and have been busy collecting seeds from many of the flowers to use next spring.

As if that wasn't keeping them busy enough, they are also planting seedlings to start growing vegetables hydroponically in the greenhouse this winter!

On another note, we have welcomed a new garden assistant to the ranks. Miss Kim is a master gardener with LOTS of experience gardening and growing in a greenhouse. She is pictured with the kids collection flowers. Please cover her in prayer. Satan attacks those doing good works and she has been an asset!



Christmas Store 2024

Our children will be shopping for their families in our "Christmas Store" the second week in December. We need sibling gifts for preteens/teens and Dad gifts. This is a wonderful opportunity for our children to learn **giving** gifts can be just as nice as **getting** gifts. If you have items to donate, bring them to 710 N Forest by November 25th.

If you are interested in volunteering in the store this year, we would love to have you. We need volunteers that can help wrap the presents and to help the children shop for their family members. Dec. 9th-13th. Please call Jennifer or Suelette at 431-2161 if you are able to help.

Don't forget you can use our QR code on the front or the one below to make a donation. Use your smart phone to scan the code. Thank you for always supporting our children!



Items we need for Christmas 2024 baskets:
laundry soap