



# News Around the Corner

## MARCH 2025



### Verse of the Month (NIV):

Matthew 6:21

"For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."

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## Roof Update Pics



PRAY: for the safety of our children and families in this heavy and broken world and that God will continue to draw closer to all who need and desire Him.

Visit our Website:

[14thandchestnut.weebly.com](http://14thandchestnut.weebly.com)

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14th and Chestnut  
Community Center

THE 14TH AND CHESTNUT COMMUNITY CENTER'S MISSION IS TO BE A PARTNER WITH AND PROVIDE MINISTRY TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD AROUND THE CENTER IN ORDER TO ASSIST WITH A VARIETY OF SPIRITUAL, PHYSICAL, AND EDUCATIONAL NEEDS.

# March's Most Needed Items

## ⇒ GRUMBLING TUMMIES CAFÉ

Serving daily snack and dinner during the school year. Help us keep their bellies full!

**Biggest Needs:** Fridge thermometers, mini spatulas, butter spreader knife

## ⇒ MERIT MART REWARDS STORE

Help us reward our kids for good behavior! The store is where children can spend the play money they earn on hygiene products, toys, books, crafts, school supplies, etc. We accept donations of new or gently used items for the Merit Mart.

**Suggestions:** room decorations, jewelry, Lego sets, hygiene products, perfumes/colognes, paints and canvases, science kits, playdoh/slime, sports equipment and candy

## ⇒ MOTHER HUBBARD'S PANTRY

Please help us keep our emergency pantry stocked to help people in our community in an extreme time of need.

**Biggest needs:** potatoes (mashed, scalloped etc.), peanut butter, pasta and pasta sauces (spaghetti, alfredo, etc.), cereal, canned peaches or fruit, canned carrots, peas and beans, canned meat (tuna & chicken), and frozen meat

We are also accepting donations of hand can openers, supplies for babies such as diapers, wipes, and jars of baby food and hygiene products for all ages

## ⇒ CLOTHES CLOSET

Once a week, any of our registered children can go to the clothes closet and get NEW OR GENTLY USED clothing to keep them clean and warm. All donations are appreciated but our k-5 kids utilize our clothes closet the most so our younger sizes go quickly!

**Biggest needs:** boys sizes 6-14 graphic tees, long sleeves, jeans and sweatpants. We could also use all size PJs, girls sizes 6-16/18 leggings and shirts. The girls also need adult sizes 5-8 clothing and girls underwear sizes 14-18.

## ⇒ MOMS MATTER

Where mothers can get together and encourage each other through their daily parenting struggles. Each mom in attendance is given a small gift. Help us encourage them!

**Suggestions:** lotions, bath items, cooking supplies or and any other gift a mom might like. Gift cards for dining out, or local grocery stores.

## ⇒ BUILDING & GROUNDS

Cleaning supplies—Pledge, Spic and Span, Lysol Wipes

*Thank You for your ongoing support of the work we do at the Center! God is using you to make a big difference in the children, their families, and even the staff and volunteers that come through our doors. We couldn't do any of it without you!*

# 14 & CHESTNUT'S 2025 SEASONAL SHOPPING LIST

Below you can find a mini comprehensive list of items we regularly buy. Each season is broken up by the time of year and if it is Kitchen or Programming supplies. This list is an idea of items you can consider buying while doing your own shopping throughout the year.

## BACK TO SCHOOL

September-May

### Kitchen

- Cheez it crackers
- Goldfish
- Animal Crackers
- Fruit Cups

### Program

- Acrylic Paint
- Canvases
- Candy
- Glue

## SUMMER

June-August

### Kitchen

- Variety Chip packs
- Jell-O/ Pudding cups
- Gogurt
- Variety Snack Packs

### Program

- Swim Wear
- Towels
- Sunscreen
- School Supplies

## 'Tis the Season

November-December

### Kitchen

- Cake mixes
- Mashed Potatoes
- #10 Can Veggies
- Pasta (any)

### Program

- Hats
- Gloves
- Brand New Coats
- Blankets

### Drop off is at 1403 Chestnut St Terre Haute, IN 47807

Come on the parking lot and enter up the ramp or the double doors under the green awning. If you need assistance with drop off, or have any other questions, give us a call at 812-232-3126.

THANK YOU!

# Summer 2025: The Center Olympics



It's that time a year again!!! We are planning our summer program and we are excited to share our theme and highlight a couple of needs! Last spring, our Director of Operations was still an intern completing her degree. Part of her final project was organizing and implementing an event at her organization. She planned some Olympic themed games and the students spent one day participating in several activities, including the torch ceremony! This was an absolute blast, and we are excited to see how our Summer

2025 Center Olympics play out. Stay tuned!

## Summer Interns

We are looking for high school juniors and seniors and college students to join our summer staff! The summer program will run from May 27- August 1, Monday through Friday from 8am-2pm. May 27-June 2 will be our mandatory staff training. June 3-August 1 is our summer programming for the students. We ask that anyone interested, be able to be available to working Monday-Friday during summer program hours.

Interns work with one of our six groups of kids leading games, crafts, life skills, reading, etc. and weekly field trips! If you or someone you know is interested in applying to work with us this summer, please call the office at 812-232-3126. We're excited to see the team God is going to put together and how He is going to use them to change lives this summer!



## Field Trip Drivers

We are in need of drivers age 25 or older to assist with driving for Friday field trips this summer. We leave the Center around 10am and return by 2pm most trips. If you're interested in more info or would be willing to help, please call the office at 812-232-3126.



# 20<sup>th</sup> Annual

14th & Chestnut Community Center

## Gifts From The Heart Banquet

*Come join us for an evening to celebrate the impact that center has made on the community and how the impact was started.*

THURSDAY, May 1st, 2025

Doors Open— 6 pm Dinner—6:30 pm

Maryland Community Church 46 campus  
4700 IN-46, Terre Haute, IN 47802

### Building a foundation for the next 25 years!

We are so excited to be able to share the past 25 years of 14th and Chestnut. We have been able to pour into so many children's lives and have been able to do that with the help of so many donors, volunteers and staff. We are looking forward to another 25+ years of serving the community.

One way you can be apart of this story is by helping us build a "Chestnut Foundation". At the banquet this year we will honoring a new pledge of \$25 or more a month with a painted brick on our sanctuary wall with your name, someone you want to honor or anonymous.

We would love for you to come and see how God is moving at 14th and Chestnut and how lives are changed by one relationship at a time.

Reservations requested by April 18th, 2025.

Call 812-232-3126, email [connorscanlon81@gmail.com](mailto:connorscanlon81@gmail.com) or send this paper back to register for the banquet. We will have room for registrations after April 18th but we need that deadline for our food vendors.



Please return form by April 18th, 2024 and make checks payable to:

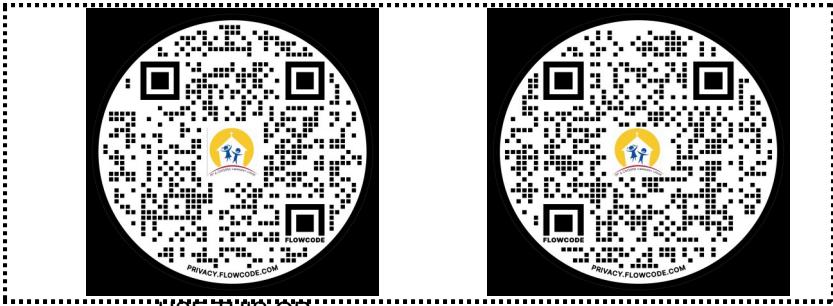
14th & Chestnut Community Center, 1403 Chestnut Street, Terre Haute, IN 47807

### 2025 Banquet Form

Name(s) or Table Lead contact

Phone

Any additional people that will be coming with you need to check in using the table leads name.



USE THIS QR CODE TO CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE

USE THIS QR CODE TO GIVE ONLINE

**All seating is assigned. Please indicate here any individuals/ groups/organizations with whom you wish to be seated:**

# SPOTLIGHTS

## Adara Grady



I am happy to announce Miss Adara Grady as our March staff spotlight! Adara works with our K-2 grade girls and joined our work family last summer! Her favorite memories at the center include the practicing and performing of their summer song "Pharoah Pharoah", and going to the Goat Farm.

Adara is one of our college students studying social work and anticipates graduating in 2026. In her free time, she enjoys being surrounded by family and friends, dancing and is an avid reader. A recent hobby she picked up has been going skating!

Adara is a true treasure! She works well with her coworkers and strives to create positive relationships with each of her girls she works with. She leads by Godly example and explores the children's curiosities and loves to watch them develop! According to Adara, being a leader to the children we serve means always showing up, being kind and demonstrating your concern by listening and offering constructive feedback. She is often able to foster these relationships by showing genuine curiosity in their lives, and allowing herself to channel her inner child to get on their level when needed.

## Career Day Volunteers

This month we kick off our monthly Career Days! In attempt to expand our children's understanding and curiosity for their future, we are bringing people in our community in to interact and talk with our kids about their career. This month we have planned for the THPD and a RN to come in and spend time with our kids. The THPD will be doing some age appropriate safety tips with each age group and the RN visit will be doing some first aid activities.

We will be looking for more volunteers to come help our children explore what's out there for them. We had our 3 grade and older children complete an age appropriate career interests form so we could have an idea of what interests or skills they have to help give us an idea on who to invite in. **Some common careers were coaching, doctors, nurses, teachers, professional content creators, professional sports, MUA/ cosmetology and photography.**

Careers are not exclusive to what was mentioned above and we will gladly talk about other ideas! We want these career days to be engaging for our children in some way to connect with them and peak their interest. Their response to visitors is usually good but when there is opportunity to interact it is more meaningful and memorable to them. If you would like to talk about being a career day volunteer please reach out to Laresha at [reshajohnson99@outlook.com](mailto:reshajohnson99@outlook.com) or Karsen at [14th.chestnut@gmail.com](mailto:14th.chestnut@gmail.com) or feel free to call and talk to one of us at 812-232-3126.

## ISU Basketball Games



Taking our students to ISU Basketball games has been a yearly activity for roughly 13 years. This started when one dedicated volunteer, Miss Emma Jean, bought season tickets for the Kids Club. She would take small groups of the sixth grade and older girls to go out to eat to a place of their choice on Wabash and then they would go to the women's games and also get concessions! This became a seasonal opportunity and eventually we opened it to third grade and older. Miss Emma Jean did this on her own for years and it has been something we were

happy and able to continue after she was not longer able to do it. Within the past few years, we started taking the boys to games as well. This is an anticipated opportunity every year and we are happy to keep this going for the kid's experience!

## Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity Inc.

On 2/19 we had a visit from the Indiana State men of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity Inc. come in to read to our students. They got to hang out with our kindergarten through second grade (k-2) girls and read them three Dr. Seuss books. The girls gave them their undivided attention and loved getting to have some new faces and voices during their reading time! Thank you to the men of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity Inc.!



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## Help make a Difference in a Child's Life

Here are some more ways you can help out the Center:

**Wills and Bequests**—Gifts will be invested to insure quality services for youth in the future. Gifts can last a lifetime. Please consider us when making your final requests.

**Memorial/Honor Gifts**—Gifts made in memory of a deceased loved one or in honor of a family member or friend.

**Miranda Harper Scholarship**—Donations can be made to our Scholarship fund to help our students with college expenses.

**In-kind Gifts**—Gifts such as clothing, toiletries and household items can also be donated. For current list of needs, see pages 3 and 4.

**Monetary Donations**—Checks made payable to: 14th and Chestnut Community Center, 1403 Chestnut St., Terre Haute, IN 47807.

**Endowment Fund**—If you would like to contribute to our Endowment Fund through the Wabash Valley Community Foundation, contact the Center at 812-232-3126.

**Kroger Community Rewards**- go online to krogercommunityrewards.com and register your Kroger Plus card with our organization.

### 14th and Chestnut Community Center

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Terre Haute, IN 47807  
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### After School Program Monday—Friday

3:00 pm—6:00 pm  
Snack served at 3:00 pm  
Dinner served at 5:30 pm

### Food Pantry

Tuesdays 9:00 am—12:00 pm

### Executive Director

Connor Scanlon

### Director of Operations

Karsen Boyce

### Director of Programming

Laresha Johnson