

EHC CONTINUES TO SERVE

Life as we once knew it has changed dramatically since the Covid-19 pandemic swept through our nation. With countless people out of work, or suddenly having more mouths to feed, the work of our small food pantry has become more important than ever. There was never a question of whether to stay open or not; it was more a matter of how to stay open, while still keeping both clients and volunteers safe. With guidance from the Greater Cleveland Food Bank, the Hunger Center quickly moved into action. Part of that plan required asking some of our older, more at-risk volunteers to stay home. As our volunteers love what they do and were so anxious to help, it was difficult to ask them not to come in. It was also hard to turn away some of the many offers from community members wanting to help. Unfortunately, there were limits to how many people could be working while still maintaining proper distancing. That distancing has also affected how food is being distributed. There is now a lot more prep work involved, including having volunteers packing approximately 150 bags each week. On distribution days, clients may enter the building one at a time to receive their bags of food, plus a bag packed with fresh produce and a bag of meat. Sadly, about 20% of our visitors are coming in for the first time ever, and it is plain to see how tough it is for them. Additionally, many seniors have called to ask for food to be delivered because they are afraid to leave the house. Our community has truly stepped up, with many people offering to make deliveries or sending in donations of every size. With your continued support, EHC can guarantee that we will be here, with a mighty crew of volunteers, who are committed to helping Euclid residents during this difficult time, and for as long as they need it. EHC thanks everyone who has offered to help in any way. Together, we are making a difference.



KICK OFF SUMMER EVENT ON HOLD

Our annual *Kick Off Summer* fundraiser was originally scheduled to be held on June 18th, at the Briardale Greens Golf Course Pavilion. EHC has made the difficult decision to postpone this event indefinitely. We regret that we won't have the opportunity to see our many supporters this summer, but hope that you are still able to show your continued support of EHC in other ways. We look forward to seeing you when we reschedule.

Wishing you all good health and virtual hugs.

Our Community Supports Us

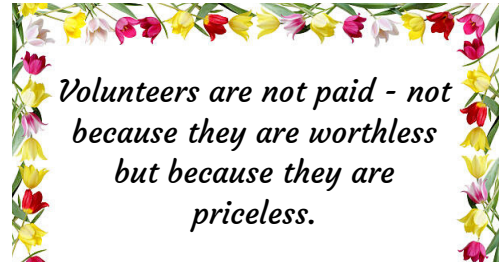
EHC relies upon the support of our community, and we are grateful to these individuals/organizations that have gone above and beyond in assisting us with financial or volunteer support, or food donations.

Organizations:

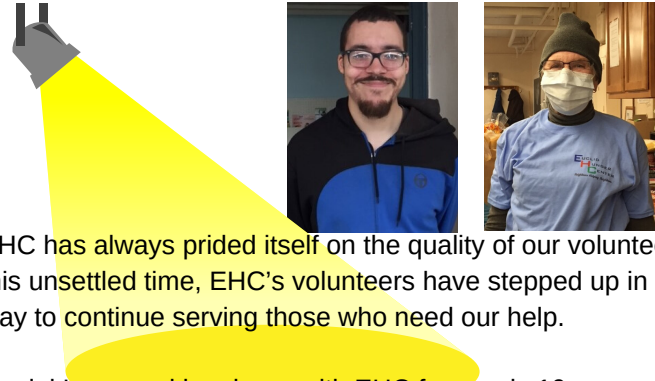
- EATON - Euclid Plant
- Enterprise Holdings Foundation
- Eaton Family Credit Union
- Hospesco

Individuals:

- Jo Asquith
- The Ilcin Family
- D. Schlosser
- R. Visic
- J. Miller
- Jim & Liz Sterk



Volunteer Spotlight: Meet Danny & Allison



EHC has always prided itself on the quality of our volunteers. During this unsettled time, EHC's volunteers have stepped up in an amazing way to continue serving those who need our help.

Daniel Leegrand has been with EHC for nearly 10 years. He assists people with carrying groceries, helps us stock the shelves, and basically does anything that is asked of him. Danny has never found a box that was too heavy for him to lift, and he enjoys working at EHC simply because he likes helping people. Living near the Hunger Center enables him to walk here on most open days, unless he has to work at his part-time job at Burlington. Most of our clients know Danny by name and appreciate his gentle demeanor and willingness to help.

Allison Busch began working at EHC last summer, and has been an invaluable asset to our organization. She oversees the unloading of our food deliveries, and with all the changes we have had to incur in the last 2 months, she has been flexible and efficient. Like Danny, Allison has an ability to lift ridiculously heavy loads, and she is also extremely organized. Allison enjoys EHC because she likes helping her community in any way she can, and as a mother of 5 and grandmother of 8, she knows how to run a tight ship. In her free time, Allison enjoys kayaking, gardening and travel.

We are grateful for these two standouts, and all of our volunteers, who continuously work hard for the greater good of our community.



to new board members

- Sharon Furlan*
- Nancy Higham*
- Peg Osborne*
- Richard Tolley*

Welcome

Euclid Hunger Center is grateful to these partners, whose support enables us to accomplish our mission



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