



Rapid Re-Housing Works for Homeless Families

On September 19, 2019, the Outreach Team of LCCH was able to locate and verify the homeless status of Tess and her family. Tess and her life-partner Bob had been living in a tent near her sister's property while Tess' son was staying with her sister. (The family could not stay in their relative's home due to issues of being overcrowded and familial issues). The family had become homeless after Bob had lost his job and they could no longer afford their rent. Tess could not work as her son has special needs and he relied upon her for his daily stability.

The Outreach Team explained the various housing programs that were offered through LCCH. Tess explained that she had been applying for subsidized housing but the wait lists were so long and they wanted to get housed before colder weather set in. After some thought, Tess and Bob felt that they would benefit from the Rapid Re-Housing Ohio Program (RRHO). LCCH staff provided Tess with names of area landlords and apartment complexes and encouraged them to start calling and searching for housing. Tess inquired about emergency housing as she did not like being away from her son during the night in case he needed her.

On September 20, the RRHO case-manager completed the intake on this family and was also able to secure temporary emergency shelter through the Licking County Coalition of Care. Their case-manager spent time assisting the family with their housing search and providing Bob with various employment leads.

On October 24, the family located housing. Their case-manager was able to advocate for the family with the prospective landlord and on October 25, 2019, the family signed the lease and was able to move into their new unit. The RRHO program was able to pay the deposit and first month's rent to get the family moved in.

After moving in, Bob was able to secure full-time employment with a

local cleaning company. The case-manager continued to meet with the family to work on budgeting and household management. By the 4th month of placement, the family was able to start applying some of their own money toward the rent while the RRHO program was able to assist with the needed remaining balance. Unfortunately, as Covid hit, Bob's work hours were reduced and the family found themselves needing continued financial/rental assistance. The RRHO program was able to provide continued financial assistance as the Covid pandemic was an unexpected event. Eventually, Bob's hours were increased by mid-summer and again, the family was able to begin applying some of their own funding toward their monthly rent amount.

As the end of their lease term was approaching, Tess received notice that their application at a subsidized housing complex was finally approved and they could move-in beginning October 1, 2020. Their current landlord allowed them to get out their lease one month early and the family moved on October 5, 2020 into their subsidized unit. The case-manager has made follow-up calls with the family. Tess stated that they "love their new place" and that it has given them a sense of "independence" and "security" and they know that their rent will always be affordable for them in case Bob's hours at work get reduced again. Tess was very thankful for the assistance.



Rapid Re-Housing Ohio assisted a homeless family through a year of struggles, which ended in permanent housing.

Our Mission

Through partnership, guiding those in need to sustainable housing.

Our Vision

A community where everyone enjoys a safe, stable and sustainable home.

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Executive Director's Corner



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We are honored, and proud to serve. Deemed “essential” at the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic, LCCH staff have risen to multiple challenges throughout 2020, stepping up beyond measure, particularly during this final quarter.

We launched the **LCCH (CARES) Eviction Prevention** program in late September with CARES Act funds provided by the Licking County Commissioners, who awarded a total of \$900,000 in three allocations. On November 25, following a vote by Newark City Council, I picked up a check for \$250,000 to add to the fund as this extraordinary LCCH team works tirelessly to help tenants stay in their homes and keep local residential property owners, especially those with fewer rental units, financially stable. Property owners, particularly those with mortgages on investment properties, also have bills to pay.

With some tenants behind on their rent as far back as April 2020, we've assisted 378 households so far. Demand for emergency rental assistance has greatly exceeded expectations.

We are also partnering with LEADS Community Action to help distribute \$607,000 received in November from the Ohio Development Services Agency (ODSA) for emergency rent, mortgage and water and sewer assistance. LCCH is handling mortgage assistance requests, with 30 applications in process so far.

We appreciate the confidence and trust placed in us by our local government

and LEADS Community Action leadership. We are working as quickly as possible to get the funds distributed appropriately, recognizing that these CARES Act funds will end on December 30, 2020.

Fortunately, some funding for rental and mortgage assistance will be available in 2021. LCCH is partnering with the City of Newark to distribute its Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)-CV funds to income-eligible Newark residents. LEADS has Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) CARES Act funds to assist Licking County residents.

For more information about the LCCH Eviction Prevention program, visit our website at <https://lcchevictionprevention.org>.

With a few exceptions, federal and state housing strategies for assisting homeless and low-income households to find and maintain quality housing at a price they can afford relies totally on the private housing market.

Licking County went into this pandemic with low vacancy rates – a situation that has frustrated our efforts to assist homeless households seeking housing, as well as those who have lost their jobs or are dealing with reduced incomes as they try to find housing they can afford in their new financial circumstances. Our new Landlord Navigator, Doug Price, has done yeoman's work in reaching out to local property owners, enlarging our list of contacts, and helping the rest of the LCCH team to assist clients into permanent housing.

The bottom line is - we need more housing units in Licking County.

In 2021, LCCH will work to increase the number of housing units available – using the recently completed **2020 Homelessness Action Plan for the Licking County Community** as a guide. If we're able to secure additional funding, the LCCH Board of Directors has agreed to take leadership on this critical issue, and other strategies outlined in the **Action Plan** that are in alignment with LCCH's direction for the future. If you're interested in learning more, please contact me at dtegtmeyer@lcchousing.org.

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Transitions: As of December 31, we will be saying “so long” to **Julie Losego**, State Farm and **Dennis Harrington**, Southeastern Ohio Legal Services (SEOLS), both of whom have served for many years on the LCCH Board of Directors. Their compassion and thoughtful guidance will be missed! However, in addition to the recent appointment of **Celia Kendall**, Beacon 360 Management, we welcome **Michelle Zigan**, Licking Memorial Hospital and **Bill Canterberry**, who is carrying on the long tradition of having a SEOLS representative on the LCCH Board.

Wishing you and your loved ones a very Happy Holiday Season - and a safe New Year!

Licking County CARES: Eviction Prevention Statistics

Since LCCH began working with CARES clients on 9/17/20, \$637,474.13* has been distributed to prevent evictions in Licking County. The statistics are as follows:

378 households (1,010 Individuals, 448 Children) assisted, with an average of \$1,686.43 per household.

256 households report being in the home for more than 1 year. 104 households reported 3-12 months, and 18 households reported 1-3 months.

240 households fell under 30% Area Median Income (AMI)**, 94 households were 30-50% AMI, 42 households were 50-80% AMI, and 2 households were above 80%.

204 households report receiving non-cash benefits.

Races reported were: 855 white, 96 black, 37 white/black mixed race, 37 hispanic, 9 other mixed race, 12 refused/did not report race, 1 American Indian.

120 households reported a disability in the house.

38 households reported a history of Domestic Violence.

15 households reported a veteran in the house.

*All data as of 11/20/2020

**The Area Median Income (AMI) is the midpoint of a region's income distribution – half of families in a region earn more than the median and half earn less than the median. These income levels are a way to assess housing affordability.

“I just woke up and I just gotta say this...you and the company you work for has surely given me the opportunity to be stress free. I've got a serious illness that needs my full attention and now I can give it 100%. I send many thanks to you and God bless you all. Happy Holidays a lil early.”

– CARES Eviction Prevention client

No Shortage of Kindness

The Granville Field Hockey Team came up with a creative way to continue Hockey for Homes – their annual tradition of giving to LCCH. After a summer of socially distant practice sessions, the girls were glad to be able to compete in their sport this fall. But the revised schedule and new rules about attendance made their yearly donation drive difficult. So they improvised. The team and their families brought donations of our most-needed household and consumable items to their year-end awards banquet. The items will be used to stock the units for those in our Transitional Housing program. We are happy to report that they collected over 270 items including paper towels, toilet paper (yes – toilet

paper!), cleaning products, shampoo, deodorant and towels. We appreciate their continued support. Go Blue Aces!



Over 270 consumable items of all kinds were donated to the Transitional Housing program by the Granville Field Hockey Team.

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Thank you, once again!



All of our Transitional Housing and Veteran families enjoyed a traditional Thanksgiving feast!

We are very grateful for the generosity of our Licking County neighbors:

Dave and Marsha Humphrey of Humphrey Drafting and Design have provided Thanksgiving meals for all of the families in our Transitional Housing program since 2006, and this year was no exception. Beautiful boxed dinners were delivered to 10 families in time for a traditional Turkey Day feast. Thank you Dave and Marsha.

And thank you to the generous folks at Marathon Pipeline-Heath Area for once again providing Thanksgiving meals for the families in our SSVF program. This is the third consecutive year that Marathon has provided a traditional turkey dinner with all the fixings (yes, pie included!) for each one of our Veteran families.

With all of the challenges that this year has brought, our families truly have something to be thankful for this year.

FREE Tax Preparation begins January 25

LCCH will once again be offering FREE income tax preparation to low and moderate-income taxpayers through the IRS-sponsored Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program. Beginning the last week of January and continuing through April 14th, community volunteers and LCCH staff will be preparing and e-filing federal, state, and school income tax returns for taxpayers, at no charge. Most taxpayers with an Adjusted Gross Income of \$57,000 or less are eligible for this service. (Personal returns only, no business returns, or rental income. Some advanced issues are not in scope for VITA). Taxes are prepared by appointment at several locations in Licking County. (See the box at left/right for schedule.) Drop off service is also available. Walk-in service will not be offered this year. Call 740-345-1970 extension 200 to schedule an appointment or to get more information.

LCCH has been offering VITA services since 2006 as a way to help more taxpayers collect their full refunds, and avoid the high fees associated with commercial tax preparation. In 2020, 22 community volunteers gave 747 hours to the program and helped to prepare 1371 returns. \$2,109,748 in Federal and State refunds was collected by our VITA clients. Funding for the program is provided by State Farm and the Internal Revenue Service.

“Zac was friendly, courteous and well-informed.”

–2020 VITA client



Zac Cooperrider, a former LCCH employee and long-time volunteer, is a taxpayer favorite.

VITA Schedule

The ***preliminary** VITA schedule for the 2021 filing season is:

**Monday & Tuesday,
Jan 25-Apr 13**
Licking County Library
Main Branch
101 West Main Street
11:00 AM-4:15 PM

Wednesdays, Jan 27-Apr 14
Ohio Means Jobs
998 East Main Street
9:30 AM-3:30 PM

Thursdays, Jan 28-Apr 8
LCCH Office
23 South Park Place, Suite 200
4:30-7:30 PM

Saturdays, Jan 30-Apr 10
LCCH Office
23 South Park Place, Suite 200
9:00 AM-Noon

Call **740-345-1970 ext. 200** to schedule an appointment or to arrange for a drop-off. Walk-in service will not be available this year. *All hours are subject to change based on public health issues and the availability of our host sites.

Volunteers Needed!!

It is not too late to volunteer for the VITA program. We need tax preparers and intake specialists. Preparers will need to pass an IRS certification test. Prior tax prep experience is preferred, but LCCH will provide tax law and software training classes. A commitment of approximately 4 hours per week through the filing season is required. This is a great opportunity to provide real help to taxpayers in your community. Contact Kathy Scott for more info (kscott@lcchousing.org or 740-345-1970). Training classes will be held in early January.

Eighth Annual Home Run 5K

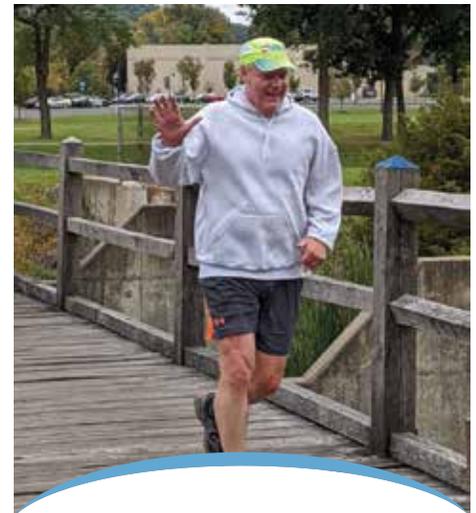


In November 2019, after another very chilly Home Run 5K, we began to question when we should hold our yearly fundraiser/awareness event. Little did we know the real question would be *could* we hold the Eighth Annual Home Run, and what would it look like if we did!

We are thrilled to say that our very loyal bunch of Home Runners came out for a real, in-person, 5K on October 3, 2020. The race, which began with socially-distant starting corrals, was an un-timed fun run this year due to COVID-19 restrictions. But the weather was sunny, the T-shirts were great and the goody bags even better. We had over 60 registered runners, who all seemed eager to get out and race. The feedback was overwhelmingly positive and we appreciate the support of everyone who participated – especially our sponsors. For more Home Run 5K pictures, visit the LCCH Facebook page.



Jordan Moore, 26, was the unofficial winner of this year's race.



The scenic course is just one reason the Home Run has a dedicated group of return runners.



LCCH Housing Programs Supervisor Rachael Duck is always ready for a photo opportunity.



The Home Run is always a family friendly event. Andrew enjoyed the prize bags more than the actual race!



October 3 was a beautiful day for our 8th Annual Home Run 5K.



Participants were happy to be running an in-person race.



The fastest runners were at the beginning of the socially-distant start.

Thank You!

We would like to thank the sponsors of our Eighth Annual Home Run 5K:

- Aldridge-Mead Chiropractic
- Church Street Floor Coverings
- Dush Graphix
- Farnsworth Financial Services
- John Hinderer Honda
- Houston Plumbing & Heating
- Licking County Health Department
- Mid City Auto Body, Inc
- Park Lanes
- Tamarack Farms Dairy
- TrueCore Federal Credit Union

And a special thanks to our former staff member/volunteer fundraiser Kim Foster!

2020 Annual Report

This year has brought an entirely new set of challenges to each of us individually, and to our organization collectively. Unfortunately, the long-standing tradition of an Annual Meeting and Luncheon- held every year during November - did not happen in 2020. We would like to thank everyone who is reading this newsletter and everyone who has contributed time and/or financial support to LCCH. Below is a summary of the work that we accomplished last year-with your support.

Transitional Housing (TH)

Beginning with four 1-bedroom apartments for homeless families in 1993, our TH program has grown to 36 units for individuals and families. Tom Chapman, our first landlord, is still involved with LCCH and the original four apartments are still occupied by our TH clients. Last fiscal year the TH program served 70 households/140 people, including 53 children (38%). Over 81% of TH households exited the program to permanent housing.

Project Homeline (PH)

The PH program provides homeless prevention, housing assistance, housing information, referrals, budgeting and case management services. Last year, PH staff returned 1,610 phone calls/online inquiries. 136 households received emergency financial assistance for rent and/or deposit. Another 410 households were helped with housing options, landlord advocacy, case management and referrals to other resources.

Coordinated Entry (CE)

CE is the HUD-mandated, locally designed process through which one enters the homeless assistance system. In 2017, LCCH became the primary CE provider of 4 in Licking County. LCCH met with and assessed the vulnerability of 170 households through the CE process last fiscal year.

Supportive Services for Veteran Families (SSVF)

LCCH has been offering homeless prevention and rapid re-housing to



Veterans and their families through SSVF since 2013. The grant was recently renewed by the Veterans Administration for an eighth year. Last grant year, SSVF provided \$157,508.10* to assist 85 veteran households, helping a total of 145 individuals. Of those served, 17 were children (14%) and 37 were age 55 and older (30%). *This includes additional funding from the CARES Act, for COVID-19 relief for Veterans.

Homeless Veteran Grant and per Diem (GPD)

Funded by the Veterans Administration (VA), the Homeless Veteran GPD program offers four units of Transitional Housing, available specifically to veterans, for up to 24 months. We are currently adding a fifth unit to this program. LCCH operates this program in partnership with Licking Knox Goodwill Industries and the Columbus VA. Ten households (12 individuals) were served through the program last fiscal year.

Disability Housing

Through a unique partnership with the Licking County Board of Developmental Disabilities, LCCH owns and provides Property Management services for 13 single-family homes in Newark and Heath. These homes allow independent living for approximately 40 adults with developmental disabilities.

Rapid Re-Housing

The key element of Rapid Re-Housing is that the client maintains a lease in

their own name. Many of our programs include Rapid Re-Housing components. The following two programs are Rapid Re-Housing specific.

LCCH implemented **LCCH Rapid Re-Housing** in August 2017 as an alternative to TH. This program served 15 households (21 people) this past fiscal year. 100% of the households entering the program were housed in 21 days or less. 83% of the participants who left the program have left for positive destinations.

LCCH became the grant administrator for the **Rapid Re-Housing Ohio (RRHO)** program on September 1, 2017. RRHO is able to serve homeless families (with minor children) in 80 counties. In collaboration with several agencies throughout Ohio, RRHO assisted 293 households (397 adults and 619 children) in Fiscal Year 2020. Each household receives intensive case management, deposit and rental assistance.

Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA)

VITA prepares income tax returns for low-income taxpayers, free of charge. In 2020, 22 IRS-certified volunteers contributed 747.5 hours to VITA, prepared 1371 tax returns and helped our clients collect \$2,109,748 in Federal and State refunds. The majority of that money is returned to the Licking County economy. LCCH was the only free-tax prep program in Licking County to continue serving clients throughout the coronavirus.

Re-entry Housing

LCCH began providing re-entry housing services through **Returning Home Ohio (RHO)** in 2015. Funded by the Corporation for Supportive Housing (CSH) and the Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction, RHO is a program that is aimed at preventing homelessness and reducing recidivism for those who have been released from Ohio prisons. Last year, RHO provided case management and financial assistance to nineteen adults with severe and persistent mental illness, to promote housing stability.

LCCH's re-entry housing was broadened to serve eleven counties with the **Community Transition Program (CTP)**, which provides recovery support, including housing assistance, to individuals exiting prison who have participated in substance use treatment or recovery services while incarcerated. Until recently, CTP was funded by CareSource and the Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services. The program served 35 adults last year in partnership with CSH.

Homeless Outreach

In August 2019, LCCH expanded outreach efforts as part of the Coordinated Entry (CE) system by creating a Crisis Outreach Coordinator position. The primary responsibility is to reach the unsheltered population, link to resources and verify homelessness for program eligibility. Last year the LCCH outreach team located 71 people living in an unsheltered location. 37 of the 71 located were added to the LCCH wait list and 11 of those have already gone into permanent housing through a LCCH program. 25 of the 71 went to stay with family or friends, and 9 of the 71 self resolved.

COVID-19

The novel coronavirus has had a tremendous effect on the way we do business, our ability to hold meetings, host volunteer events and, most importantly, the people we serve. As noted earlier in this issue, we have received and distributed additional COVID-19 assistance funds from a variety of sources. They are typically not included in this annual report, as these statistics are from our most recently completed fiscal year (July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020).

“Truly thank you for all your assistance with this process. Your kindness and guidance has honestly been such a light during such ugliness. Have a great day.” –CARES Eviction Prevention client

Summary Financial Statements

Assets	2019	2020
Cash	\$72,202.00	\$403,470.00
Grants Receivable	\$215,030.00	\$223,238.00
Property and Equipment	\$1,716,303.00	\$1,676,664.00
Investments	\$4,013.00	\$4,111.00
Other Assets	\$181,517.00	\$218,251.00
Total	\$2,189,065.00	\$2,525,734.00
Liabilities and Net Assets		
Current Liabilities	\$139,102.00	\$640,109.00
Net Assets (Restricted)	\$767,599.00	\$953,278.00
Nets Assets (Unrestricted)	\$1,282,364.00	\$932,347.00
Total	\$2,189,065.00	\$2,525,734.00
Revenue and Support		
Grants	\$2,319,845.00	\$2,477,712.00
Donations	\$123,693.00	\$127,821.00
Rent	\$157,896.00	\$147,561.00
Fundraising	\$13,907.00	\$13,122.00
Occupancy Charge	\$8,708.00	\$8,326.00
Other	\$12,623.00	\$13,416.00
Total	\$2,636,672.00	\$2,787,958.00
Expenses		
Transitional Housing	\$732,451.00	\$759,559.00
Rapid Re-Housing	\$724,015.00	\$937,670.00
Project Homeline	\$129,788.00	\$112,463.00
VITA	\$52,159.00	\$46,841.00
Rental Activity	\$156,241.00	\$182,772.00
SSVF	\$293,798.00	\$353,039.00
Community Transitions	\$165,338.00	\$171,824.00
Returning Home Ohio	\$131,321.00	\$129,936.00
HOPWA	\$0.00	\$824.00
OHFA	\$ 0.00	\$29,655.00
Mangement/General	\$198,777.00	\$205,740.00
Fundraising/Donations	\$28,891.00	\$21,973.00
Total	\$2,612,779.00	\$2,952,296.00
Net Revenue	\$23,893.00	\$(164,338.00)

Celebrating Linda Holt

Here at LCCH, we want to formally acknowledge the long partnership we have shared with Linda Holt, Emergency Shelter Director for Kno-Ho-Co-Ashland Community Action Commission. After decades of working together in several programs (Rapid Re-Housing, SSVF, etc.) and homeless planning groups, Linda recently retired from her position, and sent us the following note (edited for length):

“...I appreciate so much your thoughtfulness. Retiring is bittersweet, but it is definitely time to pass the torch.... I have always been amazed by how much your agency does to help those in need. You are all doing a fantastic job and I pray you will continue to do your great work for many years to come. Thanks again for thinking of me. Stay safe and God bless you always.”

Our best wishes to Linda and her family - she will be missed!

New Position Provides Additional Support for Veterans

The Supportive Services for Veteran Families (SSVF) program has recently added another member to their team. Kevin Murphy has joined LCCH as the SSVF Healthcare Navigator. His primary responsibilities will be connecting Veterans to VA healthcare benefits or community healthcare services if Veterans are not eligible for VA care. He will also serve as the subject matter expert on community resources related to the needs of Veterans in the SSVF program. Kevin has a Master’s Degree in Healthcare Administration (MHA) from Purdue University Global. He is a combat veteran who served in the U. S. Army as an Airborne Combat Medic in the 82nd Airborne Division. Kevin has also worked in the health and fitness industry for 5 years. He is a resident of Newark. Please join us in welcoming him to LCCH.



Kevin Murphy, a former Airborne Combat Medic with the 82nd Airborne Division joined LCCH as the SSVF Healthcare Navigator in November.

Work at North 40th Street Continues

On November 7, 2020 a group of seven volunteers from the Granville Kiwanis Club made a huge difference at our Transitional Housing exterior apartments, by painting the exterior trim. New vinyl siding was installed earlier this year, but – like so many other things – our volunteer groups just weren’t happening, and getting the trim painted before the

weather turned cold was a priority. It was a big job, but they were up to the task! We really appreciate their help and the results look great. We will continue

to highlight our Capital Improvement projects at that property – including a new fence, laundry area and flooring – in coming issues of Home Pages.



Lesia Miller began the painting process by taping windows.



7 volunteers spent a beautiful November Saturday painting at our N. 40th St property.



All existing trim will be painted to complement the new siding.

What is ...Coordinated Entry: Referral

Coordinated Entry (CE) creates a streamlined process for accessing resources available in a homeless crisis response system. Through CE, a community’s highest-need and most vulnerable households are prioritized for services. CE establishes a common process to assess all households in need of assistance within the homeless system. There are four parts to the CE process: access, assessment, prioritization, and referral.

Once a person has gone to the access point, been assessed, and prioritization has been determined, a referral is made for appropriate housing services. Referrals made to supportive housing services are suggestions but can only be finalized by each individual program. A person may be referred to a housing services but that does not mean that there is availability in the program or that the person will meet eligibility for that program. For example, a person may be referred to LCCH for Transitional

Housing, but it could be determined that the person is over the income guideline for Transitional Housing.

Often, a person is prioritized for a Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) program, which is the most effective program for people who have high service needs or are chronically homeless, but availability for this program is scarce. Instead of keeping a person homeless while they wait for PSH availability, they may instead be referred to a Transitional Housing (TH) or Rapid ReHousing (RRH) program. While PSH may be the preferred program for an individual, RRH may be the only program with availability.

It is important that a person-centered approach is considered when making a referral. While the person may have needs that seem appropriate for Transitional Housing, that person can choose to instead be referred to another program, such as Rapid ReHousing

program. Or if that person wants PSH but there is no availability the referral source should discuss what other options are available to them.

Through the CE process there now is a system in place to ensure that services are first being provided first to those with the highest needs. However, the CE process is far from perfect. There has been an influx in the number of homeless individuals and families throughout Licking Ccounty. This means there are more people in need of housing services which are not always readily available. This also means that a person may need to go into a program that may not meet all of their needs. A RRH program does not provide long -term assistance like PSH. But in a time where resources are scarce, those with highest priority will be referred to services first. Referrals are made based on a prioritization system and not on a first-come, first-served basis.

Coordinated Entry Program – Third Quarter

Coordinated Entry (CE) is the process through which someone is entered into the homeless assistance system. LCCH is the primary CE provider for Licking County. When an individual or household presents for Coordinated Entry as homeless/unsheltered, their living situation is physically verified by LCCH outreach staff. The CE is completed after their status as homeless/unsheltered is verified. These CE statistics reflect **new, confirmed** instances of homelessness. This typically does not include those staying in The Salvation Army emergency shelter.

July

17 households (18 adults, 2 children) confirmed to be homeless

- 13 men staying at the men’s shelter
- 1 households (2 adults) staying outside
- 3 households (3 adults, 2 children) escaping domestic violence at New Beginning

August

5 households (5 adults) confirmed to be homeless

- 3 men at the men’s Shelter
- 2 households escaping domestic violence at New Beginnings

September

10 households (11 adults) confirmed to be homeless

- 7 men at the Men’s shelter
- 3 households escaping domestic violence at New Beginnings

5-year-old Assembles Goods for Homeless



Using his own funds, Reed Powell (5 yrs.) assembled hot chocolate, gloves and supplies for homeless adults. His parents, Mark and Heather, with Deb Tegtmeier.



Joy to you and yours!

We hope your home is filled
with health and happiness
this holiday season.

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