Columbus House August E-News



Working to End Homelessness

Join us this Sunday for Two Fun Events!



Homerun for Heroes Baseball Game

Watch the Yard Goats while celebrating our Veterans with Sikorsky, Lockheed Martin, and Teamsters Local 1150! Gates open at 11:30 AM and the game starts at 1:10 PM at the Dunkin' Donuts stadium in Hartford. After the game, kids get to run the bases! Get your tickets on the Minor League Baseball site.



Interfaith Day of Service

Visit our tent this Sunday on the New Haven Green to learn about the issues of homelessness and assemble blessing bags with vital necessities for people who are unhoused during this exciting day-long event hosted by IWagePeace.org.

<u>Learn more about the event at IWagePeace.org!</u>

OCC Scramble a Great Success!

Despite rain, thunder, and a little lightening, about 100 dedicated golfers gathered on the course of Orange Hills Country Club to participate in Orange Congregational Church's



annual Golf Scramble on Friday, July 14. The event this year was spearheaded by long-term participants Dr. Dan Davis and his family (pictured in 2015), who recruited 24 foursomes – more than double any number of previous players – and a wide array of raffle prizes. We are grateful to the Davis Family and all the volunteers from Orange Congregational Church for making this event an outstanding success. View photos on Facebook.



Photo: Arnold Gold | Hearst Connecticut Media

50 New Emergency Shelter Beds

Due to the worrisome rise in unsheltered homelessness, the City of New Haven and Upon This Rock Ministries partnered to open the New Haven Winter Emergency Shelter to provide more safe places for people to sleep. The Shelter is currently serving 50 of our neighbors and will run through the end of October. Visit our website for links to coverage on multiple news outlets.



Volunteer in Our Kitchen

We need your help! Do you and your friends, family or colleagues want to cook and/or serve dinner at our New Haven Shelter? Get a small group together and volunteer! Enhance your life while helping our neighbors. Visit our volunteer page and contact Sheree, Volunteer Coordinator, for details and help with menu planning.



Leave a Lasting Legacy

Did you know there are many ways you can make a lasting impact on our neighbors experiencing homelessness? Gifts of life insurance you no longer need, real estate and appreciated stock are great ways to help people transition out of homelessness. Visit www.columbushouse.plannedgiving.org for more information.



Jennifer Paradis, Executive Director Beth-El Center,
Jim Pettinelli, Executive Director Liberty Community
Services, and Margaret Middleton.

The next legislative session doesn't begin until February 2024, but we are hard at work connecting with lawmakers and creating legislative priorities as we plan the CT CAN End Homelessness campaign. Together with our partners in ending homelessness, Margaret Middleton, CEO, recently co-signed an opinion piece linking the failure of our legislators to adequately fund our services to the unsheltered crisis in New Haven and beyond. Click to read it now.

Save the Dates and Join Us!

Oct 7-8, 2023: Celebrate Wallingford

Dec 7, 2023: Annual Meeting

Stay tuned for more information on these and other events on our website!



Federal Employees – did you know you can give to Columbus House through the Combined Federal Campaign?

Visit <u>cfcgiving.opm.gov/welcome</u> click "Find A Charity" and enter our number - 99082.

Thank you to **some** of our partners who have gone above and beyond helping to end homelessness with their financial support from 6/19/23 through 7/31/23.

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We apologize if we inadvertently left out your name.

DONATE

Your gift to Columbus House literally saves the lives of our most vulnerable neighbors. Each year, you help give over 2,800 people – including seniors, families with children, and Veterans – the tools and support they need to end or prevent their homelessness.

We are grateful for your dedication to our mission: to serve people experiencing homelessness or at imminent risk by providing life-saving outreach, shelter and housing and by fostering their personal growth and independence. We advocate for and create affordable housing to end homelessness in our communities.

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