

# Columbus House July E-News



## Working to End Homelessness



### Sign Up Now for the Annual OCC Columbus House Scramble!

It's time for the annual Orange Congregational Church Golf Tournament! Join us at Orange Hills Country Club to try your chance at \$10K cash, \$25K towards a new Toyota courtesy A-1 Toyota, and plenty of other great prizes. Then, head over to Orange Ale House to celebrate the winners and indulge in an all-you-can eat pizza, wing, pasta, and salad luncheon!

Don't miss your chance to partake in this fun, impactful event that has raised almost \$70,000 for Columbus House's vital work to end homelessness – [register or sponsor now!](#)



### Mobile Medical Services Delivered to Our Front Door

The **Yale School of Medicine InMotion Mobile Clinic and Pharmacy** made its first regular visit to our New Haven Shelter in June. Open to the community, this innovative program brings integrated healthcare to where its needed most. Services include an in-person clinician, access to telehealth, health screenings (like blood pressure, glucose, and HIV/Hepatitis C testing), and needs assessments with referrals to community services (like food, housing, employment, etc.), prescriptions, vaccines, and more!

InMotion will return to our New Haven Shelter, 586 Ella T. Grasso Blvd. on **July 16 from 9 AM - 2 PM**. Walk-ins are welcome, or schedule and appointment and learn more [here](#).

We are so grateful to our partners at Yale New Haven Health and Yale Medicine for their innovative solutions to ensuring access to quality health care for all.



## Supreme Court's Devastating Decision

On June 28, the Supreme Court ruled in favor of punishing people for sleeping outside, even when they have no other place to go. The **Grants Pass v. Gloria Johnson** decision disregards countless studies and data that prove criminalizing homelessness only makes matters worse. We know that housing is the solution to homelessness. Arresting and fining people for sleeping outside only creates additional barriers to finding a safe, affordable home.

**Read a statement** from our partner Sarah Fox, CEO of the Connecticut Coalition to End Homelessness (and last year's Annual Meeting keynote speaker) on this deeply disturbing ruling.



## School Supplies Needed

Though it seems like summer has just begun, back-to-school time is right around the corner. This can be an incredibly stressful time for the parents of the 100 school-age children we serve each year. The cost of clothes and school supplies are an added burden for those with very limited incomes – but you can help make all the difference!

Please consider running a drive or donating gift cards to brighten the new school year for our families. Contact Sheree at 203-401-4400 x138 or [sdimario@columbushouse.org](mailto:sdimario@columbushouse.org) for more information or to help. Thank you!

## Thank You for Saving Lives

Two life-threatening heat waves have already hit



this summer, but as always, you came through when we needed you most! In June you donated over \$4,200 to help with the added expense of keeping our New Haven Shelter doors open 24/7 and provided countless cases of bottled water and other hot weather essentials. Deaths caused by extreme heat are the leading cause of weather-related fatalities, and our neighbors experiencing homelessness are especially vulnerable. Thanks to your compassion, our guests stayed safe and cool during the heat advisories, and our outreach teams distributed the vital necessities YOU donated to those living outside.

## Check Out Our Recent Print Newsletter



- Board Chair Message
- Chocolate to the Rescue
- Volunteer Spotlight
- Shelly's Legacy Plan
- And More!

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Save the Dates

**Saturday, July 27, 2024:** Savin Rock Festival

**Sunday, August 4, 2024:** Interfaith Service Festival

**Friday, August 9, 2024:** OCC Columbus House Scramble

**Sunday, August 18, 2024:** Homerun for Heroes

**Saturday-Sunday, October 5 & 6, 2024:** Celebrate Wallingford

**Thursday, December 5, 2024:** Annual Meeting

**Sunday, March 30, 2025:** Chocolate the the Rescue

[Visit our website more information on these and other events!](#)



Looking for a career that makes a difference helping others? Join our team! [View & apply](#) for open positions at Columbus House now!

Thank you to **some** of our partners who have gone above and beyond helping to end homelessness with their financial support from May 27 – July 7, 2024.

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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 2,300 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.



Federal Employees – did you know you can give to Columbus House through the Combined Federal Campaign? Visit [cfcgiving.opm.gov/welcome](https://cfcgiving.opm.gov/welcome) click “Find A Charity” and enter our number - 99082.



**Double Your Donation**

Will your employer match your gift to Columbus House? Click to find out!



**Legacy Giving**

Make a lasting impact on ending homelessness with planned giving.



**Donate Your Car**

Donate your old clunker – running or not – to help end homelessness!



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