

Your Generosity Made a Real Difference

To all the individuals and businesses who made giving the “Season of Giving” program a part of your holiday tradition in 2022, thank you!

For over 30 years, the city of Mayfield Heights has hosted the Needy Family Program, now the Season of Giving, where those less fortunate in our community have received food and gift baskets just before Christmas. This year the Season of Giving Program made the holiday season a little merrier for 53 families, including 100 children, in the Mayfield area. We could not have accomplished this without the caring people of this community. These families were truly overwhelmed with your gratitude!

As has been a trend over the last few years, many groups adopt families, some multiple families. We would like to officially recognize and thank these groups:

Crooked River CrossFit, Dan Gerson, Deluxe Outdoor Services, Maribeth Mack, Merge Church, Our Savior Lutheran, Progressive, State Industrial Products, Story Church, and 1-888 OHIOCOMP.

To all the individuals who have made it part of your holiday tradition to send in donations, please know that we could not succeed without your continued support.

Our city departments also had a significant impact on this effort. The Police Department, in coordination with Eastgate Shopping Plaza, held a “Fill the Cruiser” food drive on December 3rd. Hundreds of caring people spent a little extra time and money to purchase food and gifts to support us. What a wonderful day that was! The Fill the Cruiser effort plays a major part in being able to put together these food and gift baskets, and this program would not be a success without it.

Mr. Bob Friel and Mayfield High School Students assisted with unloading and organizing the “Fill the Cruiser” donation, packing boxes of food items, and assisted with delivery to our families.

Chick-fil-A and Santa Chris assisted with a Toy Drive over several days and collected toys and monetary donations. Santa Chris also was able to collect toys at Progressive. All these donations helped provide gifts to 100 children.

There are also many of you who worked behind the scenes, providing us with names of those in need, helping to build the baskets, purchasing, and wrapping presents, or helping with the delivery of baskets -- without your assistance, we cannot get these baskets to the families who are in need. Thank you!

Together, we made a positive impact on the lives of our neighbors who needed our support. Thank you.

May you all find peace and good health in 2023!

Sean Ward and the Parks and Recreation Staff



Mr. Bob Friel, above, with some of his students helped to organize food, pack boxes, and make deliveries.