

Council on Aging

COVID-19 Success Story



Barbara – April 27, 2020

Barbara, 65, sent her care manager, Meghan, the following email after receiving much needed food and personal care supplies in the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic.

"Hey Meghan,

I wanted to tell you all there at Council on Aging how thankful I am to you all for the two boxes of things you brought here. Those are things I really needed such as toilet paper, paper towels, laundry detergent, dishwashing liquid, hand soap, etc. All of that costs a lot [and] I greatly appreciated receiving those boxes. AND the LaRosa's dinner was really a treat. I stood there in shock when the ladies came to the door. I mean nobody ever does anything nice like that for me. I cried after they left [and] thanked the Lord. I was in shock that someone cared that much about me. My neighbor was really excited and happy too.

Thank you all for being so nice and thoughtful.

Please tell Tahlia and David, 'God bless them both.' Their names [were] on that card in the box. I still have the card right here. I treasure people like that and all of you.

God will indeed bless them and everyone there for that."

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John – Hamilton County, April 10, 2020

Michele is very involved in her dad's care. As a matter of fact, her father, John, lives in a condominium in the same Hamilton County neighborhood. She was concerned that if she or her husband were to fall ill, they would not be able to provide food for him.

Michele contacted Council on Aging (COA), to see what help might be available. Even though her father was reluctant to receive any help at all, her father began receiving weekly home-delivered meals on a temporary basis due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Both Michele and her father were delighted with the first meal delivery.

"It was like Christmas," Michele remembers. "I was just tickled pink.

There were seven dinners, seven snacks, bread, milk and condiments. After the first night when I asked him how the meal was, he said 'it was really good! I would even pay for these meals.'"



Michele is so thankful for Council on Aging. "It's incredibly amazing that COA can do even more during this time when everyone is busy anyway."

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