

A MESSAGE FROM DIRECTOR Jim Hibma

This has certainly been a year of improvising and adapting for us all. As the Coronavirus made its appearance close to home in March, Crossroads quickly moved to working from home offices. With no idea what our role would be or how God would use us, we were ready. Phone calls poured in asking for assistance in many different circumstances. I am proud of our fast response and the continued ability to meet the needs of the community. I am also extremely appreciative to all who volunteered their time or donated financially to Crossroads of Pella in this difficult situation. Unfortunately, the COVID pandemic caused the cancellation of our Klompen Classic 5K and its revenue. This has been a difficult hit for Crossroads, but we know we are all in this together. With the support of our community, we will persevere. This is what makes our mission successful. Please consider contributing to our cause.



58 VOLUNTEERS STEP UP

We received a call for assistance from a son living in another state, trying to help his elderly mother obtain food. She resided at an assisted living facility in Pella and had no way to get groceries because delivery was unavailable at that time. This presented a new situation for Crossroads, but we were happy to help. Within a few hours we placed an online grocery order and had a volunteer that was eager to pick up and deliver them. This was the beginning of very busy days at Crossroads. The phone rang off the hook with requests for ordering and delivering groceries, prescriptions, personal items, cards and more. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts to all volunteers who continue to save the day by shopping, delivering, writing notes of encouragement and creating sidewalk chalk drawings. We appreciate you all and are so thankful.



12,400 MASKS & 128 GALLONS OF HAND SANITIZER

In March we received 1,000 masks from a generous individual. We quickly distributed masks to emergency services, essential workers, nursing homes, assisted living facilities and our delivery volunteers. We wanted to help the most vulnerable community members. The Crossroads Board of Directors decided to purchase an additional 11,400 masks. We distributed them to Marion County Public Health, non-profits, churches, business owners, clients, and other crucial citizens. Additionally, 128 gallons of hand sanitizer was ordered. These huge boxes were delivered to Director Jim's driveway and given along with the masks, right off the front porch. Crossroads was thankful to be able to fill the need and provide these safety items that were difficult for the public to obtain.



MENTAL HEALTH HELPLINE 641-629-0019

Due to the pandemic, Crossroads quickly created a Mental Health Helpline. This phone number provided a licensed counselor, available free of charge to anyone who called. The phone rang with people wanting to talk about their children, family, and uncertainty. The Mental Health Helpline ensured that no one was ever alone. This also became a way to continue personal counseling over the phone to avoid face to face interactions. We have decided to continue service. Call anytime.

KLOMPEN CLASSIC GOES VIRTUAL

Planning was well underway at the start of 2020 but by the middle of March we knew we would have to postpone the race. As we navigated through April, a quick decision was made to go virtual with our event. As the 5K is Crossroads' biggest fundraiser, this was a challenging financial and logistical decision to make. With some quick work the virtual race was live on runsignup.com. This allowed participants to register and run from their own locations. 616 crossed the finish line to help others from 15 different states as well as the Netherlands, Germany, and Costa Rica.



GOODIE BASKETS

With encouragement being one of the main pillars in Crossroads' mission, we wanted to reassure and thank some of the front-line workers. We delivered treats to the Police Department, Community Ambulance and Pella Regional Health Center. We appreciate the extra effort they put into keeping our community safe and healthy. At the start of school, we had so much fun delivering goodie baskets to our local schools to thank them for making a difference! By working together and encouraging each other, we can get through this.



UPCOMING EVENTS

2020

SEP. 1 - NOV. 30

Winter Coat Drive - Drop off anytime

SEP. 29

Welcome to Medicare - 5:30 P.M.

OCT. 15 - DEC. 7

Medicare Part D Open Enrollment

Call now for appointments.

NOV. 2

Christmas Adopt a Family Registration

Marion County Toys for Tots Registration

2021

MAY 5

Free Kids Classic - 6:00 P.M.

Klompen Classic 5K - 7:00 P.M.

MAY 18

Welcome to Medicare Seminar - 5:30 P.M.

Call to RSVP.

DONATE

OPTION 1: Debit/Credit Card/PayPal - crossroadspella.com

OPTION 2: Donate by texting GIVE to 712.227.5727

OPTION 3: Make checks payable to Crossroads of Pella