



IHOC Monthly News

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Look around you. Homelessness is increasing every day. As you know, IHOC has been helping homeless men, women, and children for over 32 years. So, it is critical that IHOC restart its Hospitality Network for men in November. Restarting the Network with COVID still a factor means taking extra precautions that IHOC has never needed before. These extra precautions that will keep our volunteers and our homeless guests safe are going to have additional costs.

To restart the Network...
IHOC needs to raise \$70,000 with the year's Mall Walk.

In addition to raising money, this year's Walk is going to be fantastic.

The 2023 Mall Walk will be a REAL Mall Walk with fun activities, entertainment, and an actual Walk start time for EVERYONE!!!

The Walk will be held on Sunday, February 26th at the Voorhees Town Center. The fun activities, such as face and T-shirt painting will start at 1:30 PM. The Walk will kick-off at 2:30 PM.

Walkers will be walking inside the Voorhees Town Center and will be walking the route four times with treats after the laps including a goodie bag after the second lap.

A surprise feature this year will be a Scavenger Hunt with an extra treat at the end of the Hunt.

The Walker who raises the most amount and the Team that raises the most amount will be announced at 4:00 PM at the end of the Walk.

Plus, any TEAM which raises over \$2,000 will be treated a private movie showing.

Remember:

For this year's Mall Walk, every Walker needs to register online at www.ihocsj.org. Registration will again be \$25 and will include a Walk T-shirt.

Walkers will have a choice of a green, red, or white T-shirt. The white T-shirt is designed so that you can stop by the T-shirt painting station and design your own IHOC Mall Walk T-shirt.

Sponsors can support their favorite Walkers by going to our website www.ihocsj.org. And, Benefactors can also donate online at our website.

Finally:

The 2023 Mall Walk is off to a great start. To date, we have already raised almost \$25,000 from our generous Benefactors.

Almost 45 Walkers have already registered, and over 20 Sponsors have donated to their favorite Walkers. IHOC truly appreciates every donation so that we can continue helping others in need. For more information about the 2023 Mall Walk for the Homeless, please go to our website www.ihocsj.org or call (856) 952-2367.



IHOC's New Website

For almost a decade, IHOC's website has been telling the amazing story of how hundreds of volunteers have been helping homeless men, women and children in the Camden County area.

That website over the years served its purpose. NOW, it's time to move on.

Harry Porter, our IHOC President, who is a graphics and computer guru, volunteered his time and created a brand new website for IHOC.

It's fabulous. The colors and the layout are definitely 21st Century. The new website tells our IHOC story along with great photos of the Hospitality Network, Mentoring Nights, Transitional Housing Program, and the Adopt-A-Box and Pack-A-Sack collections.

In addition, Annie Rose Webb has made the Mall Walk 2023 tab operational on the new website. Walkers can register on line, Sponsors can donate to Walkers, and Benefactors can contribute, too.

We are continuing to tweak the new website for content, photos, and graphics. So, go to the new website and see all the work Harry did to make our IHOC website special.

Many, many thanks Harry!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Adopt a Box Annual Collection

IHOC will be collecting personal care items for men, women and children in shelters and for those in need.

If you, your congregation or organization will be collecting personal care items you may begin your collection at any time now through Friday, March 24, 2023.

Suggestions and items requested by the shelters:

Soap / Washcloth	Deodorant / Razors	Shampoo
Socks	Feminine Products	Comb / Brush
Shaving Cream	Toothbrush / Toothpaste	Hand Towel

Care items may be placed in shoe boxes or plastic gallon storage bags and contents labeled Man, Woman or Child (Boy, Girl or Baby).

When you have completed your collection email info@ihocsj.org or contact Rhoda at 856.952.2367 to arrange for drop off or pickup.

