2023 Community Outreach Center News

“We must not grow weary of doing little things for the love of God, who looks not on the great size of the work, but on the love of it.” - Brother Lawrence

At the Community Outreach Center, the Board of Directors have been doing many little things this year that have added up to another full year of operational service to our friends and neighbors. We have been able to continue our service because of your donations of time, talent and treasure. And your gifts come as a result of your love of our community and your desire to make others’ lives as worthwhile as possible. We created this facility in honor of - and because of - the human condition. Our dream is to preserve and nurture the best of what God has created. We want to be gracious stewards of one another in this world by helping in little ways the ministries of several agencies whose mission it is to lend a hand to those in need.

2023 brought new maintenance challenges in our facility which once again because of your generosity we were able to meet. We had to repair the air-conditioner during the hottest summer in history, but thankfully it was a repair and not a total replacement. We needed to tweak our security system to meet our current tenants’ schedules, and to track some “wanderers” who wished to be residents of our ramps. All turned out well and we were glad to have had the system installed. We are looking forward to some creative landscaping ideas soon and to an overdue striping of the parking lot.

Our tenants are but two; FreeMed and The Soup Kitchen, however increased demand of their services has led to their expansion into space vacated by FISH and EHE. The Soup Kitchen is now using this space for food storage and an office.

We hope you will continue to support, in little ways, our offering of utility and rent-free space to these ministries. Please use the enclosed envelope or go to [www.ifoutreach.org](http://www.ifoutreach.org). for your donation. We thank you and may God bless.

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