



UNITED WAY CENTRAL MA DAY OF CARING

The Day of Caring is the largest UWCM volunteer event of the year and enables nonprofits to get assistance with tasks they may not otherwise have the resources to complete. This year for our Annual Webster Square Cleanup we had assistance from our friends at Imperial Distributors & Worcester Railers HC - even Trax helped out!!

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HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Words cannot express our gratitude for the support we received last year, and we are humbled by the continued generosity of the community. These are uncertain, and sometimes frightening times, but this does not stop our supporters- this only fuels their fires!! Our clients and residents need our help more in 2021 than they have EVER before. Food insecurity in MA has risen from 8.4% of households pre-pandemic, to 17.5% of households as of November 2020. Representing the largest relative increase of food-insecure individuals in the nation due to COVID-19, according to Project Bread's website. Our residential services are in extremely high demand also, as relapse rates skyrocket all over the state. Worcester County remains #3 in the state for overdose deaths among residents, as the latest opioid statistics from MA.gov show. With your help we can ensure the year starts off with more families being fed, and more men getting the Substance Abuse Treatment they need in order to not only survive - but to thrive. Hard times won't stop us from doing our work, and clearly they won't stop our amazing giving community from continuing to find unique ways to come together - safely, to help so many who truly need our services! Here's to a wonderful New Year filled with renewed hope and possibilities for all! On behalf of the staff, clients and residents - THANK YOU!



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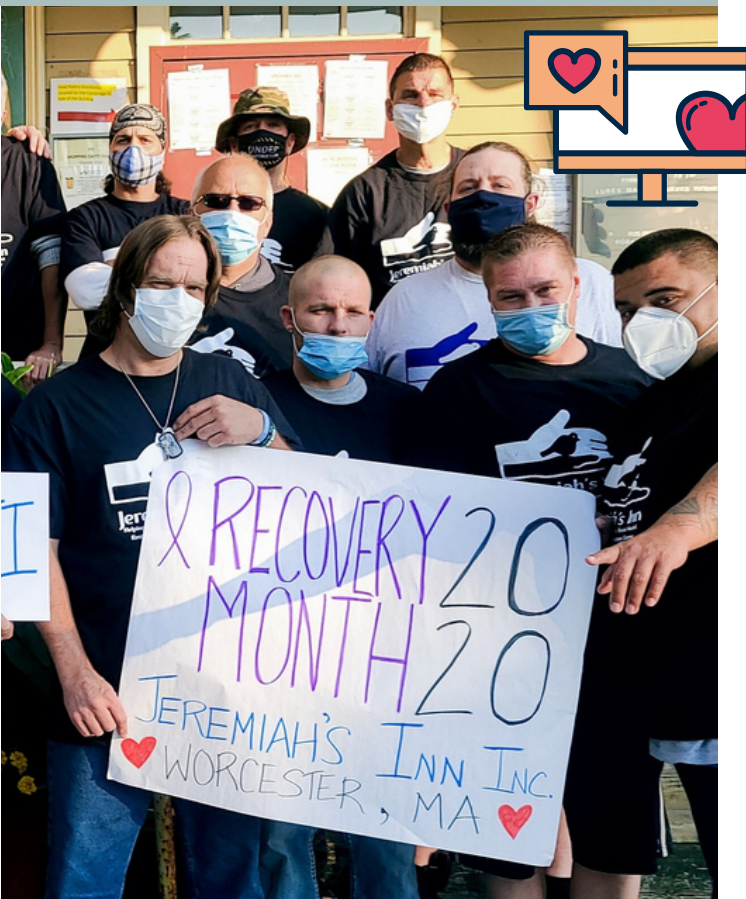
HAULIN' 4 HUNGER 2020

Each year since 2012, ATG has joined with their employees, customers and business partners to help fight hunger by delivering meals to local food pantries. Together, their Haulin' 4 Hunger team has provided more than 22,000 meals to those in need. Jeremiah's Inn is extremely grateful to be one of the 12 recipients of the H4H donation each year. With it, we are able to distribute Holiday Turkeys and all the fixings to residents and clients. To bring a little joy to their season, no matter what they are going through - Thanks to TriState ATG!!

CELEBRATING & ADVOCATING VIRTUALLY

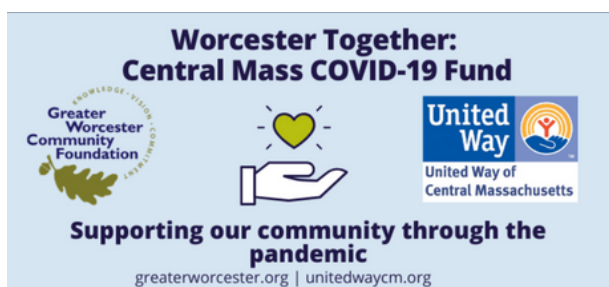


According to the latest DPH information there were 1,517 opioid-related overdose deaths from Jan.-Nov. of 2020 (up 2.2%, from the same period last year). In an effort to raise awareness to statistics like these, we come together each fall with the community to participate in local Recovery Month (September) events. We team up with organizations that help spread a message of hope and healing to those in our community who suffer from the effects of Substance Use Disorder. Virtual meetings took the place of most events this year, but we still participated- safely! We kicked it off with the Worcester International Overdose Awareness Day Virtual Candlelight Vigil on Aug. 31, 2020 to honor the lives of those we have lost to overdose. On Sept. 30th we virtually attended the Spectrum Health Systems Peer Support Centers 1st Annual Celebrating Connections in Recovery Virtual Walk & Rally. Lastly on Dec. 21, 2020 we took part in the City of Worcester Health & Human Services, and Homeless Outreach & Advocacy Project (HOAP) 30th Anniversary of Homeless Persons Memorial Day and Longest Night Vigil. To help bring awareness and hope to our homeless community, to which many of our residents once belonged. We are grateful to be a part of such a brave and loving community. One where COVID may stop us from getting together, but will not stop us from speaking out and speaking up for those who need a voice. #WeAreJI



COVID RELIEF

We are the grateful recipients of pandemic support from the Worcester Together: Central Mass COVID-19 Fund established by GWCF & UWCM. Worcester Together and a coalition of generous donors & organizations throughout Worcester County have been helping communities disproportionately affected by the coronavirus public health crisis. Thank you for all you do!



HOLIDAY WISH PROGRAM 2020

MAKING HOLIDAY WISHES COME TRUE

Heartfelt thanks to all who sponsored a resident or a child and shopped for their wish list, and to those who donated funds for us to shop. Special thanks to Pam Copland & her network of givers, to Nancy Cook, Nancy Hughes of LOTW Church, and Kathy Keohane; for going above and beyond each year to make our residents' wishes come true. Thank you Westborough Rotary Club and Reina & Alex Rago for the thoughtful gift bags for each resident- they were so touched by the personal notes!

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"I'm so happy, grateful and melted with love. After all is said and done, and the streets are all you know, it's nice to know there are kind strangers out there that are thinking of people in need, with mental health and addiction problems. God sent me an angel who knew what I needed!" -Brett J.

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Big thank you to Laura Torti & Operation Undercover for collecting and delivering new undergarments and socks for residents and clients each Christmas for almost 30 years!! Algonquin Regional HS blew us away by donating over 30 gift cards from a Holiday drive!! These are just a few examples of the kindness this community is capable of. So many also gave funds, meals, in-kind gifts, gift cards & decorations- it's overwhelming! We sincerely hope that each and every one of you knows how much joy you brought to JI, our residents and their children this Holiday Season!!

HUGE Thank You to the MA COVID-19 Relief Fund who have raised \$32.2 million to help JI, and organizations like ours, throughout the state, that support vulnerable populations during the pandemic. Funds distributed to us through Worcester County Food Bank have helped us keep up with the increased demand for our services due to the COVID crisis.



Thank You for Supporting our Recovery Programs!



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Jeremiah's Inn 27th Annual Food Drive



Our next event will be the Annual Food Drive in June 2021. Follow us on social media, or visit our website for dates and more details.

We are currently seeking sponsors for the event. If you are interested in becoming a food drive sponsor please contact: alyssa@jeremiahsinn.com



For more Food Drive updates & information on our programs, tune into our Media Sponsor's Station. K-Love 107.3, providing listeners with positive and encouraging music!

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