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Thanks to our 2016 Mercy-hood Members

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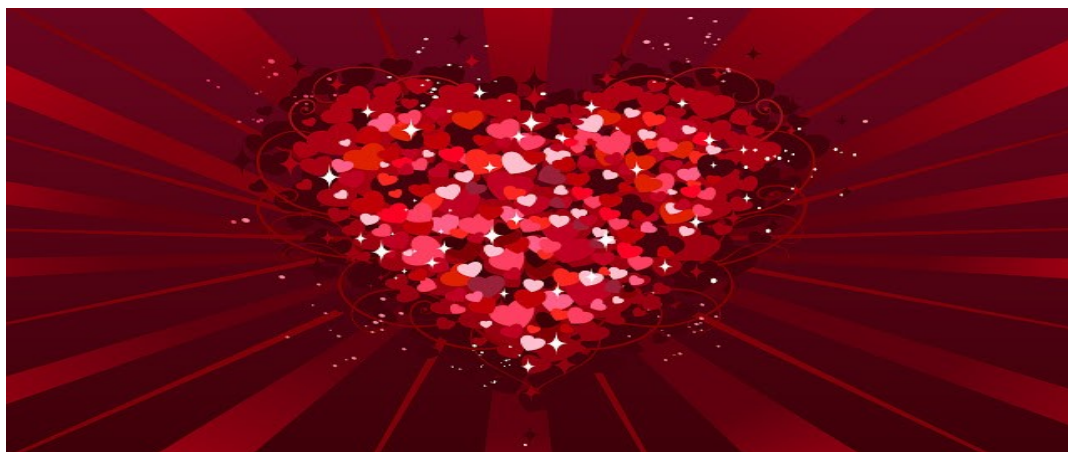
Mercyhood members provide an annual gift of membership. If you are interested in being a 2017 member contact Sr. Michele.

Volunteer Opportunities: Contact Sr. Michele at 898-0167

- Adult mentors
- Youth programming
- Event/fundraiser committee members
- Environmental initiatives
- Fieldtrips
- Garden

Wish List:

- \$5 gift cards for incentives
- Healthy snacks
- Easter candy
- Gift baskets for Spring Tea



HOUSE of MERCY

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Dear Friends,

This was the best Christmas that the House of Mercy families have ever had. More kids received and gave gifts, thanks to you. This year we were able to provide 40 youth with a warm, winter coat and boots. That is more than before. Thanks to anonymous donor, 10 families received cash assistance and we now have an emergency fund for food and gas needs. One mother said she was going to have to skip Christmas for her family this year if it wasn't for the House of Mercy. We are still receiving requests for hats and gloves from our middle and high school youth.

We are starting the new year off with lots of activities. In Jan 2017 our middle youth learned about careers through participating in an Industry Club funded by GECAC. They have already visited Mercyhurst North East and Great Lakes Institute of Technology. They look forward to visiting businesses next month. Our high school youth are participating in a Citizenship class where they learn about city, state and federal government. They attended a City Council meeting on Jan 18, 2017. They will visit Harrisburg in March and Washington DC during the April spring break.

You can help the House of Mercy make a difference all year long! **Please consider becoming a Mercy-Hood Member** to make sure that the House of Mercy can provide activities and advocacy throughout the long winter when we receive few donations and all of 2017!

Gratefully,

Sr. Michele Schroeck, RSM, Director

Thank you

Brevillier Village
Betty and Bill
Filipkowski
Hilbert Family
Holy Rosary
Don Joint
Hooked on Books for
Kids
Mr. Joe
Mercyhurst Prep
School
Mercyhurst
University
Santas's Helpers
Second Harvest Food
Bank
Therapeutic Riding and
Equestrian Center

And ALL who donated their time, talent and treasure to make the season brighter for House of Mercy families.



Thank you to our 2016
MercyHood Members
(see front panel for listing)

MercyHood members make an annual pledge to support the House of Mercy. Members are recognized in the newsletter for one year, receive a certificate of membership, are named on our wall of donors, and are invited to the annual Open House.

Member Levels
Presidential \$500
Officer \$100
Member \$50

Come meet some of the House of Mercy participants and see the House of Mercy in action at our annual Open House for MercyHood Members on Friday, Feb. 24th from 4-6pm.

Save the Date:
15th Anniversary
House of Mercy Tea
Our Lady of Mt Carmel
Scheffner Hall
Sunday, April 23, 2017 1-3pm
Honorary Chair Almi Clerkin



*Be a host couple and receive 2 tickets
and your name on the invitation and
program.*



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A place of welcome hospitality for an east side Erie neighborhood, the House of Mercy, established and sponsored by the Sisters of Mercy, promotes a healthy neighborhood by providing activities and advocacy that engage children in positive experiences for the and their neighborhood.

Introducing the Eastside Grassroots Coalition: The House of Mercy/Sisters of Mercy, Urban Erie/Quality of Life and the Burton-Diehl Neighborhood Organization are hosting a series of community forums to strengthen Erie's, often forgotten, eastside neighborhoods. The focus area includes East 12th St to Bird Dr and the Bayfront Connector to East Ave. During Phase I, the Coalition will work to improve the Buffalo Rd Corridor. Meeting dates are Thurs, Jan 19, Tues, February 21st and Thursday, March 16 at the JFK Center 6:30-8:00pm.

Thanks to Project Leader, Emily Miller Cook, a consultant and facilitator of neighborhood development, in Cleveland and Project Manager, House of Mercy AmeriCorps VISTA, Paul Cancilla for organizing these efforts. Please check our Facebook page for more information at Eastside Grassroots Coalition.

During the first meeting about 50 residents, youth, concerned citizens and collaborators came together to identify values, issues and visions of what our neighborhood might look like in 10 years.

House of Mercy youth are involved and making a difference. Check out their video "Stop the Violence; Have Courage." on Youtube. They also led the MLK March in 2017.

