

From Oct. 1, 2022 to Sept. 30, 2023, the *Kiwanis Club of Colonial Plymouth* provided support to the community, families and children of the area in many ways, with our best known activities and achievements being:

- Making P-CCS buildings safer and calmer by purchasing *Echo*, a Firearms Detection Canine who also doubles as an emotional support animal.
- Sponsoring the huge and active *Plymouth-Canton Community Schools (P-CCS) High Schools Key Club*, one of the largest *Key Clubs* in Michigan
- Assisting our *Key Club* with car parking at the *Plymouth Ice Festival* to raise funds for their training and projects
- Delighting the downtown Plymouth crowds during 20+ summer and fall events with the aroma and flavor of our famous *Kiwanis Popcorn Wagon* treats, one of our most important fundraisers
- Serving over 1,300 Pancake Breakfasts at the *Plymouth Fall Festival*, raising funds for the *Plymouth Kiwanis Foundation*, our charitable 501(c)(3) organization
- Collecting over \$19,005 during the *Plymouth Salvation Army's Red Kettle Campaign* by ringing bells at four locations for two days in December
- Entertaining thousands of people with our annual *Good Morning USA Fourth of July Parade*
- Hosting our best-of-its-kind *40th Kiwanis Charity Golf Classic* at Fox Hills Golden Fox golf course, our biggest fundraiser of the year

...and we spent many other rewarding hours of service by doing whatever was needed to accomplish the following:

- Stuffing, addressing and mailing 1,600 envelopes for *Methodist Children's Home Society's* holiday fund raiser
- Donating a mattress, bed and bedding to a high school senior who had been sleeping on the floor
- Creating hygiene bags to be given, along with Christmas gifts, to children in low income households
- Planting trees with Plymouth Township and *ReLeaf* at Plymouth Township Park

- Clearing blight with *Life Remodeled* in Detroit
- Partnering with *Isbister School* staff to provide Christmas gifts for a recently widowed mother of four
- Providing coffee and hot chocolate at *Kiwanis Park* for the Santa Parade
- Providing three shifts of workers for the *Salvation Army* to sort food donated during the *NALC Stamp Out Hunger National Food Drive*
- Working alongside *Kids Coalition Against Hunger* to package 20,000 meals for people in need in our area, in areas of natural disaster, and around the world
- Conducting a hygiene items drive to assist *Growth Works* and *Salvation Army* and their clients
- Distributing 24 cases of disinfectant wipes to *Salvation Army* and *Samaritis*
- Assisting *Kids Coalition Against Hunger* at 7 events organized by students from city and suburban school districts in packaging 70,000 meals
- Providing lunch and a speaker to a meeting of 15 leaders from non-profits who we work with about helping them improve their operations
- Preparing and seeding three large areas to create beneficial pollinator gardens
- Purchasing, cooking and serving hundreds of hot dogs for guests at the *Plymouth-Canton Community Schools' Mental Health Fair*
- Coordinating with a member and the *P-CCS Clothing Bank* to provide clothing and a bike for a child recently placed in foster care
- Providing a lunch for more than 50 professional First Responders
- Purchased and cooked hot dogs for neighbors and guests at the Plymouth City Commission meeting held at *Kiwanis Park*
- Driving seniors from the parking lot to their picnic, hosted by the *Plymouth Council on Aging*
- Providing an engine thermostat and hoses on the car of a widowed mother

There are times when we cannot be on site to directly assist an event. In those cases we provided \$44,780 from the funds raised at our *Charity Golf Classic* and *Popcorn Wagon*, to the following:

- The *Alzheimer's Walk*, to support their cause
- Replacing car tires and brake rotors for a widowed mother of 4 children
- *Friends of the Penn* to purchase assistive hearing devices
- Creating *Habitat for Pollinators* to create pollinator gardens in the area
- *P-CCS Family Engagement Department* to purchase toiletries
- *Motor Eagles Power Soccer Team* for athletes with disabilities
- City of Plymouth to provide security lighting at *Kiwanis Park*
- *Plymouth Miracle League* to provide electrical work for a security system
- *Michigan Philharmonic* for school educational programs
- *Plymouth Goodfellows* to support their work
- *Karma Flights* to provide winter coats for children in Nepal
- *Plymouth Community Council on Aging* to purchase chairs at *The Friendship Station*
- *P-CCS Journey Program* to help students in need at their high schools
- *Days for Girls Program* allowing students in third world countries to attend school regularly
- *Plymouth Fife and Drum Corps*, to support their program
- *Bridgepoint* to support their food program during school breaks
- *P-CCS Special Education Department* to repair a golf cart needed by students to navigate their campus
- *SJ5K Run* organized by P-CCS high school students to support families with medical needs in the area
- *Plymouth Chamber of Commerce* for their scholarship fund
- *Friends of the Penn* to sponsor a week of their programming



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- *WSDP 88.1*, the student run radio station at Salem High School
- *Plymouth Salvation Army* for their summer camp scholarship program
- *Plymouth Community Arts Council* to support a summer kids concert
- *First Step Domestic Abuse Shelter* to become an Illuminator Sponsor at their Gala Fund Raiser where we were honored with the Community Leadership Award for our years of support for their efforts
- *PBJ Outreach*, who provides food for homeless people weekly
- *Plymouth-Canton Community Literacy Council* for their work teaching reading to adult learners in our area
- *Plymouth Historical Society* for their Victorian Room renovation
- *VOSH/International*, a group that provides humanitarian eye care in Dominica
- *Plymouth Community Council on Aging* to be a sponsor for their Senior Picnic
- *Lost Voices*, who provide therapeutic music support to children who have experienced severe emotional trauma
- *P-CCS Clothing Bank* to purchase items that can not be donated
- *Open Door Ministries* for their food pantry
- *New Hope Center for Grief Support* to be the food sponsor for their summer Kid's Camp

... and even more!

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KIWANIS CLUB OF COLONIAL PLYMOUTH

PROJECT SUMMARY

OCT. 1 2022 - SEPT. 30 2023

Our club is a very active group of caring community members! This is our report to the community of our activities during our most recent administrative year.

For information about joining our club, go to: PlymouthKiwanis.com and/or call Jack Schwartz at 248-756-2200

To ask for our help with your project, or to offer to help with our projects, call Lee Harrison at 734-748-6152