

The Kiwanis Club of Colonial Plymouth's project year ran from 10-01-24 to 09-30-25.

During that time we provided support to the community, families and children of the area in many ways. Our best known activities and achievements were:

- Sponsor the huge and active *Plymouth-Canton Community Schools (P-CCS) High Schools Key Club*, one of the largest Key Clubs in Michigan
- Assist the *Key Club* with car parking at the Plymouth Ice Festival to raise funds for their training and projects
- Delight 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 fund raisers
- Prepare and serve the *Kiwanis Pancake & Sausage Breakfasts* at the *Plymouth Fall Festival*, to raise funds for the *Plymouth Kiwanis Foundation*, our charitable 501(c)(3) organization, which supports local nonprofit social service providers
- Collect \$18,382 during the *Plymouth Salvation Army's Red Kettle Campaign* by ringing bells at four locations for two days in December
- Entertain thousands of people with our annual *Good Morning USA Fourth of July Parade*, now with help from the *Plymouth Rotary Club* and *Plymouth Lions Club*
- Held our best-of-its-kind *42nd Kiwanis Charity Golf Classic* at Fox Hills Golden Fox golf course, our biggest fund raiser of the year
- Stuff, address, and mail 1,000 envelopes for the *Methodist Children's Home Society's* holiday fundraiser, then another 1,300 for their spring fundraiser, and also help with their grounds clean-up day

... and we spent many rewarding hours of service to accomplish the following:

- Participate in *Sleep in Heavenly Peace's* bed-building event, to provide beds for children without one
- Pack food boxes for the *Salvation Army's* Thanksgiving distribution
- Assist the *Salvation Army* with their Thanksgiving and Christmas food and gift distributions
- Buy, cook and serve hundreds of hot dogs, chips and water for hundreds of guests at the *P-CCS Mental Health Fair*
- Buy, with club and member donations, hygiene products, and donate them to *Vista Maria, Salvation Army, Growth Works, and P-CCS*
- Stain the handicap ramp at the *Plymouth Community Arts Council*
- Donate cooked meals to *Plymouth Firefighters*
- Assist the *Salvation Army* with 50 service hours sorting food donated during the *NALC* (i.e., letter carriers) *Stamp Out Hunger National Food Drive*
- Using golf carts, drive seniors up the hill from the parking lot to their *Senior Picnic* at Plymouth Township Park, hosted by the *Plymouth Council on Aging*
- Buy, cook, and serve hot dogs at the *P-CCS Back to School Bash*
- Provide coffee, hot chocolate, and donuts at *Kiwanis Park* during the Santa Parade
- Assist *Life Remodeled* prepare its equipment for blight removal projects
- Assist *Plymouth Chamber of Commerce* with their Pumpkin Palooza
- Help *Gleaners Food Bank* package food for distribution
- Help *Make Food Not Waste* prepare food to make meals

There are times when we cannot be on site to directly assist an event. In those cases we made 42 disbursements totalling \$29,900 from the funds raised at our *Charity Golf Classic and Popcorn Wagon*, to support the work of the following 28 recipients:

- BridgePointe, for hygiene products
- Canton Community Foundation
- CPAC
- CS Mott Child and Family Life
- Delta Gamma Kappa - holiday meals for families in need
- Detroit PBS WWII documentary produced locally
- First Step
 - general needs
 - Gala Nov 2025
 - support their retirement party
- Friends of the Penn
 - program support
 - devices to assist visually impaired
- Friends of the Rouge - to support three Kiwanis rain gardens
- Kiwanis Club of Wayne-Westland - to support the new club's fund raiser
- Lost Voices - to support their work using music with children facing trauma
- MI District of Key Club - Conference
- New Hope Center for Grief Support
 - honorarium for Jim Eldridge, a Kiwanian and one of their volunteers
 - summer camp
- PBJ Outreach
- P-CCS Key Club
 - Walk for Water
 - member's travel to convention
- Plymouth Canton Education Foundation
- Plymouth City Commission picnic

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- P-CCS
 - Clothing Bank
 - Goals Support
 - Journey Family Fund - to help transition to high school
 - Links Program
 - Mental Health & Wellness Fair
 - Peace of Mind Book Club - support reading books
 - Rock Cafe - Culinary Arts - team competition expenses
 - Washington DC field trip expenses
 - WSDP - award winning student run radio station
- Plymouth Community Council on Aging
 - senior citizen picnic
 - Xmas party
 - Veterans breakfast
- Plymouth Community Foster Closet - renovation expenses
- Plymouth Community Literacy Council - materials for adults with reading and English instruction
- Plymouth District Library
 - to expand Lego collection
 - to buy giant checker board
- Plymouth Fife & Drum Corps
- Plymouth First Responders picnic expenses
- Plymouth Goodfellows - for Xmas gifts for children in need
- Plymouth Salvation Army
 - Summer Camp
 - Xmas clothing
- SJ5K Foundation - student run program supporting families with medical needs and expenses
- Sleep in Heavenly Peace - for bedding and bed-building materials

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KIWANIS CLUB OF COLONIAL PLYMOUTH

COMMUNITY IMPACT STATEMENT

OCT.1 2024 - SEPT. 30 2025

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