

# 4 Kids and Community

A Non-Profit providing support to help People succeed.

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## Community Supper

In January, we started a partnership with First United Methodist Church for them to deliver meals to people in the community. For ten months, they delivered on average 40 meals each month. For the last two months, we added more volunteers to deliver meals; we average 70 meals that are delivered each month!

In March, we had less than a week to come up with a new way to prepare and serve the community suppers. We were up to the challenge and started the drive-thru community suppers! Another challenge was providing home-cooked meals with less than ten volunteers in the kitchen and with social distancing. We were able to split up into three shifts, and we begin cooking and prepping at 10am instead of waiting until 3pm every Tuesday. We have kept everyone safe and still fed the community every month.

For September's meal, we prepared a new plan on how to serve with dine-in. We had ten people that ate in the dining room. Like this entire year, we

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## Extra Services, New Way of Doing Things and Normal Programs

It all seemed normal when we delivered the Spring Break food box in March. Then Covid lockdowns happened and we were thrown into ten months of changing directions at a moment's notice. This is a small recap on what were able to do.

Between Spring Break and End of School, we were able to deliver three extra food boxes to our families. We appreciate Williams and Ralphs for getting our food order ready. The relationships we have built with the local businesses, even when their demand was increasing, is one of the reasons we can help our families. Volunteers and donors are the other pieces! Thank you!

Added Paypal option for the parent's school supplies purchasing option!



Tested a new program: Summer Slide prevention in the form of Summer Bridge Activities workbooks. We provided these with supplies to our families. We are looking at ways to provide incentives for upcoming summer!

The Children's Christmas Shoppe had a new location and new procedures with social distancing protocols.

Normal Programs still going strong:

- School Supplies help for those in need
- Weekend food bags for when the school was in-person and for the ice storm days
- Classroom Supplies
- Snack Packs for in-person days
- Supply Closets for all schools fully stocked
- Christmas Food and Gifts Help
- Hygiene Kits at schools and at Christmas

*It came in handy to have multiple plans!*

had to put the dine-in on hold. We are ready and are waiting to be able to spend time with people! We miss seeing everyone.

The weather did not want to be left out this year. In October, the ice storm came in during our normal community supper. We decided to postpone until Thursday. Then Thursday morning we found out at Oak Park there was an electrical line down and tree limbs blocking our drive-thru route. With less than six hours before the first meal to be served, Perkins Church of Christ graciously opened up their church for us to use. That meal we served 174 people.

In November, we celebrated our three year Community Supper Anniversary with serving the most people we have ever done at 246. This record held for exactly one month, December we served 252 people!

We were able to adapt quickly this year and to serve great meals. Thank you to everyone that helps with the meals!



**Community Supper: 4th Tuesday**  
**5:30 to 7pm at Oak Park Retreat Center**  
Everyone is Welcome!

- January 26th: Pork Chops, Ribs or Ham
- February 23rd: Breakfast Casserole
- March 23rd: Italian Night
- April 27th: Sloppy Joes
- May 25th: Mexican Night
- June 22nd: Roast
- July 27th: TBD
- August 24th: TBD
- September 28th: TBD
- October 26th: TBD
- November 23rd: Thanksgiving Meal
- December 28th: Christmas Meal

## Six Events in Six Weeks!

### We finished the year with our second busiest time of the year

- November 19th: Food Box deliveries
- November 24th: Thanksgiving Community Supper
- December 5th: Children's Christmas Shoppe with Chamber
- December 10th: Live Nativity at the Drive-Thru Old Fashioned Country Christmas with Perkins Ministerial Alliance
- December 16th: Christmas Food/Gifts/Hygiene Kits delivery with Perkins Lions Club and Perkins Church of Christ
- December 22nd: Christmas Community Supper



This year we purchased the School Safe ID to help monitor visitors and check-in/out of students. We were excited to be able to provide funding for this technology to help make our schools safer.

*"Thank you 4 Kids! Our new security sign-in already flagged a felon in our system we wouldn't have ever known about it!"*

## A Few of the Many Thank Yous We Have Received in 2020!

*"Thank you for the supper tonight. It was very good. God Bless everyone that put that together."*

*"This was a fun event! He enjoyed shopping for his family and teachers! So thankful we had somewhere safe to shop besides online this year, he really needed this being we've been cooped up forever! Thank you so much 4 Kids and Community! We appreciate all that you do for our kids and community!"*

*"I want to say thank you all so much, it means more to me than anything to know we still have good people in this world. This year has been terrible for a lot of people and to receive everything we did this evening is a blessing from God. Thank you again and God Bless all of you."*

*"Thank you very much. It will help out a lot. I really appreciate you. You are like angels to us. God Bless all of you. Merry Christmas."*

*"Thank you so very much for the first aid supplies! You are amazing!"*

*"Thank you for the donation for the Gale Database. The English class will benefit from it. Thank you for all of your support you provide."*

Thank you so much for your support this past year!

### Donor Corner:



2020 Donations,  
Grants & Fundraisers  
Total:

**\$74,853.87**

### Thank You!

2020 had many unknowns, but the financial was not. The outpouring was amazing. We made budget!!

#### Businesses

Payne County Bank  
University & Community  
Federal Credit Union  
Perkins Drug  
The Railroad Yard

#### Organizations

Perkins Community Chamber  
of Commerce  
Southwest Dairy Museum, Inc.  
Mutual Improvement Club

#### Grants

United Way of Payne County  
Kickin' Childhood Hunger  
Central Electric Cooperative  
Foundation  
Perkins Masonic Lodge  
Shelter Insurance Foundation

#### Churches

Lost Creek UMC  
AY's at Immanuel Baptist

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