



Faith Connections

November 2021



Flat Rock Homes, Care Center, and Community Services send our heartfelt prayers for a Happy Thanksgiving, and blessed holiday season. Your prayerful support of our ministries enables us to serve our individuals with expert, loving care in a faith-based environment. We are thankful and grateful today and every day for you!

November 30 is #GivingTuesday!!

The past several years, Flat Rock has raised nearly \$80,000 through #GivingTuesday to help with various projects across our mission! This year's project is the prayer labyrinth portion of the TRL Outdoor Therapeutic Center. The prayer labyrinth and surrounding area will provide a safe, comforting outdoor space for individuals and staff alike. Check out our [TRL page here](#) to see some great images rendered for Flat Rock Homes by [Janotta & Herner](#). This year, our Boards and key donors have pledged \$12,500 to a matching fund for this year's #GivingTuesday project. For every dollar given by donors, the Board/key donors will match it up to \$12,500. Join us on #GivingTuesday to match those dollars! Click here to donate! [#GivingTuesday | Flat Rock Homes](#)



Thank You, Volunteers!

Flat Rock has been blessed with faithful volunteers, and we're thankful for each one who supports our mission. Volunteers help with mailings, provide holiday gifts, wrap gifts, help our administration team, serve on committees and boards, and more! These volunteers are a shining example of our awesome volunteers:

- **Sue Denham** became a church representative to Flat Rock 15 years ago. The next few years, she gathered groups to participate in the Race at the Rock as she began to volunteer in the archives and records rooms. Sue is a member of the Flat Rock Community Services Board and serves on the Outreach Committee.
- For more than 11 years, Wellington UMC's **Katie Woods** has led the youth group in volunteer activities such as summer missions work, gift wrapping, and, most recently, the Roll It Forward sale benefitting Flat Rock. The youth look forward to post-pandemic days when they may again visit the Care Center and enjoy time with our individuals.
- **Judy and Gene White** attend Ebenezer UMC across the street from Flat Rock's main campus. There, they actively participate in numerous Flat Rock and church volunteer activities. For nearly 20 years, Judy has helped with our mailings and "rallies the troops" when needed.

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Panera Bread Fundraiser in Sandusky, OH

Visit Panera Bread ([5203 Milan Road, Sandusky, OH, 44870](https://www.panerabread.com/locations/5203-Milan-Road-Sandusky-OH-44870)) on Friday, December 10 from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 20% of sales will benefit Flat Rock. Click here <https://www.flatrockhomes.org/panera-fundraiser/> to receive the letter you must show in order for Flat Rock to receive a donation!

Caroling, Caroling!



Grab your Christmas sweater and cap and join us for our second holly, jolly **Christmas Caroling Party** on Zoom, Monday, December 13, from 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Join us for carols and hymns, the re-telling of the reason for the season, and a visit from "Mother Christmas." It is all presented live from Brunswick UMC! Please email development@flatrockhomes.org to receive your Zoom invitation and link.

NEW!! Flat Rock Online Store!

Have you checked out Flat Rock's new online apparel store? <https://apparelnow.com/flat-rock-clothing-plus-apparel> Profits from all orders support Flat Rock Homes! Thank you And happy shopping!

NOTE: Shipping is currently taking a few weeks, so order early for holiday gifts to arrive on time!

Thanks for Your Generosity!



Throughout the year, many churches collect items needed by Flat Rock. Recently, Church Engagement Coordinators, Sherri Buehl (R) and Rose Darling (L) met at Flat Rock with donations from ten churches. This is a small representation of the outpouring of love you send during the year. These gifts, and the prayers that accompany them, meet many needs! If your congregation would like to gather supplies, please email Rose at Rdarling@flatrockhomes.org or Sherri at Sbuehl@flatrockhomes.org for details.

Speaking of generosity, Bucyrus UMC kicked off the **Wall of Hope** pilot project! As the envelopes are taken, they will be filled to the designated amount (or more) and returned by Thanksgiving! Your congregation may participate in the Wall of Hope during Lent 2022. Watch for more information!



COMING SOON!! 22 in '22

Calling all youth, women's, and men's groups, Sunday school classes, and churches! Watch for an email inviting you to participate in **22 in '22**!

Employment Opportunities!

You can help transform lives! Flat Rock is hiring for various positions! Please click [here](#) for current openings.

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