

*Christmas is a special time at Flat Rock. It is a blessing to see the joy on each face as gifts are opened, and the sights, sounds, and special treats of the season bring delight. We give thanks for our supporting churches, groups, individuals, and Christmas Wish grantors. Without you, none of the work we've done this year or the Christmas joy we've seen on each face would have been possible. You have given because He first gave His Son for us. May God richly bless you in 2022!*

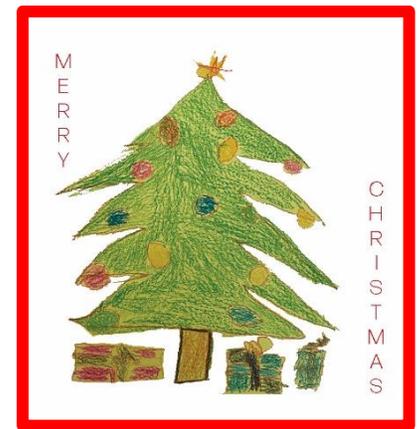
Karen L. Kilgo, President/CEO, Flat Rock Homes, Care Center and Community Services

### #Giving Tuesday

Early results from #GivingTuesday drive show approximately \$36,000 received! These funds will go toward the Prayer Labyrinth! Thanks to all who participated and prayed.



**We are pleased to share holiday artwork by Flat Rock Care Center residents and Flat Rock Community Services consumers!**



### The 22 in '22 challenge begins!

#### Tie on your aprons, and let's get cooking!

Folks gotta eat! Let's **flip pancakes, toss salads, cook spaghetti**, or stir up a big pot of **soup**! Our team members will come and help, as possible! Partner with us to help meet the needs of our individuals with developmental and intellectual disabilities. Contact Rose Darling [rdarling@flatrockhomes.org](mailto:rdarling@flatrockhomes.org) or Sherri Buehl [sbuehl@flatrockhomes.org](mailto:sbuehl@flatrockhomes.org) to schedule your benefit event!



### Adopt-a-Home

As 2022 begins, we invite you to build new relationships with our group home and care center individuals as you **Adopt-a-Home**! Several homes remain ready for adoption. Please visit [Adopt-A-Home | Flat Rock Homes](#) for more information! Churches, individuals, and groups may adopt a home and several may join together to adopt!





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The Ohio Disability & Ministry Collaborative wishes you all the best this Christmas season, and in 2022! Please visit our newsletter for the latest updates and important opportunities! You will find it on the lower half of the page at: [Faith Connections Newsletter | Flat Rock Homes](#). This ornament artwork is by Collaborative friend Ainsley Patterson

### CARES Tax Information

Recent federal legislation has extended several CARES temporary tax changes for charitable donations through the end of 2021. Here's a brief synopsis on the temporary tax benefits:

1. Universal Deduction for donations up to \$300: Even if you no longer itemize your charitable giving, CARES allows individual taxpayers a charitable deduction up to \$300. This is a temporary "above the line" deduction for 2020.
2. Raised Charitable Giving Deduction cap: For those who still itemize their deductions, CARES lifts the current charitable giving deduction cap from 60% adjusted gross income to 100% AGI for individuals and joint filers.

For more information, visit [IRS.gov](https://www.irs.gov) website or contact Jill Kinser at [jkinser@flatrockhomes.org](mailto:jkinser@flatrockhomes.org).

### The Dick Parks Memorial Race at the Rock church sponsorships now available!

Over time, the Dick Parks Memorial Race at the Rock has raised more than \$290,000 and deeply impacted the individuals and families we serve. In 2020 and 2021, we hosted virtual races due to the COVID-19 pandemic. For 2022, our race goal is to raise more than \$45,000 and attract more than 75 virtual participants. Our ability to meet the goals for this event is dependent upon our generous church sponsors. **Will you consider helping us to provide quality care and services to those we serve through sponsoring this event?** We appreciate our relationship with you and your support for the mission and ministry of Flat Rock Homes. For more information, visit [The Dick Parks Memorial Race at the Rock | Flat Rock Homes](#) or contact [development@flatrockhomes.org](mailto:development@flatrockhomes.org)



### Flat Rock Online Apparel Shop

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!