

Fox Charities Christmas Miracles \$25,000 Matching Grant = \$50,000 in Assistance

This week we are happy to share with you how every penny of the Fox Charities Christmas Miracles \$25,000 Matching Grant was spent. Your donations met by this matching grant provided \$50,000 in much needed poverty relief over the past six weeks. The Fox Charities Christmas Miracles \$25,000 Matching Grant was just the miracle needed for so many suffering in poverty in our communities. Fox Charities again wanted to encourage your donations during the winter months, knowing how our fellow creations' suffering is even greater this time of year. "Your" generous donations, matched by Fox Charities, provided the following life giving assistance.

THIS IS HOW ALL OF US HELPED:

RENT/SHELTER = \$26,307.57

A Big Thank You to all of "You" and the Fox Charities Christmas Miracles \$25,000 Matching Grant for removing the stress and fear of homelessness for so many in our communities. Fires, job loss, illness and other unexpected life events often are the reasons for homelessness. Thanks to all of "You" and Fox Charities we have been able to remove that stress and fear for over fifty of our neighbors in desperate need.

Single mothers with children were given the assistance needed to stay in their rentals. Several women were saved from homelessness by providing emergency shelter at motels until they were able to secure affordable housing. Senior citizens were given the assistance needed to remove the fear of homelessness. Many seniors live very frugal lives, struggling to get by on social security. When an unexpected expense disrupts their carefully planned budgets they are in a quick downward spiral and can never seem to get caught up. We stopped that downward spiral and put their budgets back on track. Sometimes our assistance is needed in emergencies such as house and apartment fires. Fires not only endanger lives, they also take all your belongings and your home. If your landlord does not refund your paid rent and security deposit you have no funds available to rent somewhere else. We helped several senior citizens and families over the past six weeks due to fires. Many of these people were in tears by the relief we provided them, removing their desperate fear of lack of shelter during these brutal winter months.

Just think of where these people would have gone if not for "You" and Fox Charities? Would they be sleeping in their cars in the freezing cold? "You" and Fox Charities have prevented this from happening to over fifty people since the beginning of the year thanks to the Christmas Miracles \$25,000 Matching Grant. Together "We" have made a real difference in the lives of these people. Thank you and God Bless you.

UTILITIES = \$2,700 = Electricity: \$650, Gas: \$1,750, Water: \$300

The Fox Charities Christmas Miracles \$25,000 Matching Grant, and "Your" generosity have brought utility assistance to over ten people. Natural Gas, electric and water utilities were paid to remove the fear of disconnection in April. Our assistance allowed the elderly to set their thermostat at a comfortable temperature for the remaining winter months, removing the fear of overly high utility bills in the spring. Together we have given them the utility assistance they needed to get through the remaining winter months. Thanks to Fox Charities and all of "You" our fellow Americans will not be living without lights, appliances, heat and water. Thanks to Fox Charities and all of "You" for removing the fear of impending disconnections and suffering that lack of utilities can bring.

FOOD = \$2,342.07

Your donations, matched by the Fox Charities Christmas Miracles \$25,000 Matching Grant, provided desperately needed food assistance and emergency food deliveries made by volunteers. When a trip to the food pantry is not possible due to lack of transportation, illness, emergency food needs, disability or working during the food pantries hours of operation we provide gift cards to several local grocery stores. When a trip to the grocery store is not physically possible food is purchased and delivered by a volunteer. Children, single mothers, senior citizens and working poor families were provided food assistance. "We" together have been there to provide healthy, life giving food. Fox Charities and all of "You" have removed the very real pains of hunger for many in our communities.

TRANSPORTATION = \$14,151.51

Reliable transportation is a continuing need for many people in our communities. The necessity to drive to your job or for medical care is what makes car repairs, donated cars and gas cards such an important part of our ministry. Thanks to the Fox Charities Christmas Miracles \$25,000 Matching Grant and all of "You" we assisted over twenty men, women, children, senior citizens and the disabled that struggled with maintaining reliable transportation. For children with life threatening illnesses, having reliable transportation makes all the difference for obtaining life giving medical care. Thanks to your generosity they are able to drive to their jobs, hospitals, therapies and schools without the stress and worry over getting there safely or at all. God Bless all of "You" and Fox Charities for removing the stress and worry over safe, reliable transportation.

HANDICAP ASSISTANCE = \$2,400.00

We provided much needed handicap assistance to three disabled women. One is a young woman with multiple handicaps who also cares for her grandmother. They were helped with modifications to their home and accessories. Two home bound senior citizens were given the assistance they needed to live independently. They are all extremely grateful to all of "You" and Fox Charities for easing their struggle to live in homes not designed for their disabilities.

TOILETRIES =\$1,112.85

Soap, shampoo, diapers, feminine hygiene, tooth paste, tooth brushes, combs, toilet paper and many other items were purchased for senior citizens, the disabled, veterans, children, single mothers and working poor families. When you are living in poverty your first concern is to provide shelter, food, transportation and utilities. Many times toiletries just do not fit in the budget. Toiletries are necessary for job success, dental health and personal hygiene. Together we have provided the items needed to maintain health, pride and physical wellbeing.

BEDS = \$986.00

Beds were purchased for a disabled woman and her disabled grandmother. They were sleeping on an old couch and dilapidated old bed. Now they both wake up refreshed and with much less pain thanks to your generosity providing them with new beds. Thank you and God Bless you for this life changing gift.

GRAND TOTAL: \$50,000.00

As has always been our policy, every penny "You" donated, matched by Fox Charities Christmas Miracles \$25,000 Matching Grant went to assist the poverty stricken. This \$50,000 assistance was a miracle for all that were touched by your generosity and goodness. I thank God every day for your support and faith in our mission to remove the pains of poverty. Every day as I open letters and answer phone calls from people desperate for our assistance I say a prayer of gratitude for all of "You" that have been moved to donate to The Time Is Now to Help. We could not do this alone. God Bless all of you for your compassion and your Caring and Sharing. Together we will continue to remove the pains and suffering of poverty.

We have almost met the Family Foundation \$30,000 Matching Grant. This is the perfect opportunity to continue our goal of helping even more people in 2016. Please consider a donation at this time knowing it will be matched dollar for dollar, doubling your donation. Every dollar donated is utilized 100% to remove the pains and suffering of the poverty stricken. Not one penny of your donation is used for overhead. Together we provide life changing assistance for those in desperate need. The lives changed are all due to "You". Thank you and God Bless "You".

Health & Happiness, God Bless Everyone, W.C./Sal

Please Help: There are many coming to us in desperation. Our good fellow creations need our compassion. Together we make a big difference. Make checks payable to: The Time Is Now to Help, P.O. Box 1, Lake Geneva, WI 53147. The Time Is Now to Help is a

federally recognized 501(c)3 charitable organization licensed in the states of Wisconsin and Illinois. You will receive a tax deductible, itemized thank you receipt showing how your donation provided assistance for the poverty stricken.

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Memorials: Mark & Gretchen Kitzman in memory of their father Richard J. Herr.

Prayer Chain: There have been numerous requests for a prayer chain addition to our weekly column. Please pray for healing for the following people: Caroline, Clarence, Ryan, Jayden, Santana, Alex, Lily, Kaitlyn, Kynesha, Brandi's Grandma.

W.C. Food Pantry: The W.C. Food Pantry is located at: 205 E. Commerce St., Elkhorn, WI. 53121. This is in the old Aurora Clinic building off of Hwy. 67 just east of Interstate 43. Their phone number is (262) 723-4488.

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