



Community of Caring

CARING NOTES

"Love can change the world"

AUGUST 2025



MESSAGE FROM OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Dear Friends,

We will be sending out a monthly Newsletter via email to keep you all up on the needs and accomplishment of Community of Caring.

I can't believe it is August and summer is almost over. We had a great success with our "Water Drop Program". But with this very hot, humid weather we are always in need of water. We put the water in a cooler in front of our shelter, and it is there for those needing a cool drink. Please drop off cases of water at 245 E. 8th Street.

When it rains it pours – this week we have had 2 air conditioners, 2 freezers, and a refrigerator go down. There is always a need here at Community of Caring and it is always costly to fix broken appliances.

Thank you to Sportsman's Athletic Club and WICU Erie News Now for your sponsorship of our **Drive Out Homelessness Charity Golf Classic** on August 6th; it was a great success! And special thank you for all that attended – Mark your calendars for next year, Wednesday, August 5th, 2026.

Congratulations to our staff member Charles for completing the most **Ryan Dowd Training Sessions**...Keep up the good work!

Thankful, Grateful, Blessed

Chris

COC DONATION NEEDS LIST

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| Paper Plates | Volunteers | Cleaning Supplies |
| Paper Towels | Toiletries | Plastic Silverware |

For more information, please go to our website at

www.cocerie.org



AUGUST 14TH WAS MOTHER KENNEDY'S 99TH BIRTHDAY



IN HONOR OF THE LEGACY OF LOVE OF **MOTHER MARY BETH KENNEDY**, WE RECOGNIZE AUGUST AS HUMAN KINDNESS MONTH & AUGUST 14TH AS HUMAN KINDNESS DAY.

WE WERE HONORED TO HAVE INDIVIDUAL PRESENTATIONS OF PROCLAMATIONS FROM GOVERNOR SHAPIRO, PRESENTED BY MICHAEL FERRITTO, AS WELL AS MAYOR JOE SCHEMBER, AND REPRESENTATIVES PAT HARKINS AND BOB MERSKI.

THANK YOU TO ALL WHO ATTENDED, ESPECIALLY THE FAMILY OF MOTHER KENNEDY.

Thank you

Much appreciation to those who went online to support Community of Caring on Erie Gives Day. Your donation to Community of Caring will go to our programs which offer safety, shelter and support to the homeless men and women in need.



Our 2nd Annual "Drive Out Homelessness Charity Golf Classic" was a huge success. A great big **THANK YOU** to all the golfers, donors and volunteers that made this day so special.

