

WATCH - November 9, 2025

A Pre-Holiday message about Giving Back:

Chippewa families are preparing for the holidays and the prospect of being with family and friends prior to winter setting in.

We have had a great year in Chippewa with an overflowing bounty of fun activities, socialization, incredible parades, and spirit. We are blessed to have such a small and vibrant community where we share so many joys.

Let's not forget that this year, many families face a lot of uncertainty. It could be the challenge of escalating health care costs, or the immediate critical need for food. A lot of people are affected by the unknowns and economic pressures. Because of the great people in our community, and our community partners, you can help. You can find out a lot about the success of our community partnerships in the LIONS NEWSLETTER.

(link here) [Online Flipbook](#).

The Chippewa Lake Lions Club and Foundation is sponsoring the annual food gift drive and would like you to consider joining us. This effort is 100% volunteer supported, which means ALL of your donation goes directly for providing food assistance to families facing food insecurity. This food gift drive has been in existence for many years, and has helped hundreds of families in need. The Chippewa Lake Lions Foundation is a 501 (c) 3..... All donations are tax deductible . You will receive a thank you email with the appropriate tax letter. More information and a donation form are available here: [2025 Holiday Food Gift Fundraiser | Chippewa Lake Lions Club Foundation](#)

If you know someone in need, send their name and address information to Joanne Dodaro rdodaro@neo.rr.com. Information is held in confidence.

The LIONS thank you in advance.

To add focus to the need, we have been made aware of a number of organizations who are also doing their best to help. See below:

CONTESSA'S on the LAKE

One of the greatest unsung family business heroes- Contessa's provided free senior meals all year long- to top it off:

Free Veterans Meal Tues Nov. 11 from 11-1.

Free Senior Meal Nov 12 from 12-2

Free Thanksgiving Meal Thurs Nov 27 from 11-1

CROSSPOINTE COMMUNITY CHURCH

We recognize that things might be a little tough for folks this year. To help ease the burden of a holiday meal for Thanksgiving, CrossPointe will give away \$30 gift certificates good for the purchase of holiday meats at Buehler's on Saturday, November 15th from 10AM to Noon. If you wish to receive one of these gift certificates, please drive into the parking lot at CrossPointe between 10AM and noon on November 15th and swing around to go past the front doors. A volunteer will be waiting to hand you a gift certificate- you won't even have to get out of the car! Please note: **ONE GIFT CERTIFICATE PER CAR.** If you cannot get to CrossPointe on the 15th for any reason, please call the church office at 330-975-4309 and leave a message to receive a return call. We have volunteers who will deliver a certificate at your house if you cannot get to the church. You must be home to receive the certificate. CrossPointe Community Church is located at 7230 Lake Road, in Chippewa Lake, near the intersection of Chippewa and Lake Roads.

Happy Thanksgiving, from the folks at CrossPointe!

MEDINA CATHOLIC CHARITIES

They have gifts cards for Acme available at Medina County Catholic Charities – located behind the Medina County Health Department which is across from Walmart in Medina.

They are open from 9a-5p. Go to the window and request food assistance.

Individual or Family of 4 entitled to a \$100 gift card

Family of 5 or more entitled to a \$200 gift card

You must provide name, address & zip code along with the number of people – no other documentation requirements.

This is a ONE time offering. They expect the cards will go quickly. So if you are in need, do not dilly dally.

It was also suggested that you call first to see if there are cards remaining – the number is 330.723.9615.

GRACE CHURCH EAST CAMPUS

With the government shutdown continuing on and the holidays coming we know there may be families in need of grocery help.

Here at Grace Church Medina East Campus we have formed a group of individuals, families and life groups who are all volunteering to shop with or for families in need of groceries. We'd love to care for our community in this way. If you know of a family in need please send them our way.

You or the family can email me: jpfmeister@graceohio.org or Marcee Brazier our coordinator at: mbrazier@graceohio.org. And we'll get them setup.

We would ask that you let the families know that we're saying up to \$150 of groceries will be purchased. There are two ways that a family can request, we have folks who are willing to meet them at the grocery store and shop with them, and we have folks who are willing to shop for them and drop groceries off.

Thank you all so much for what you do for our community!