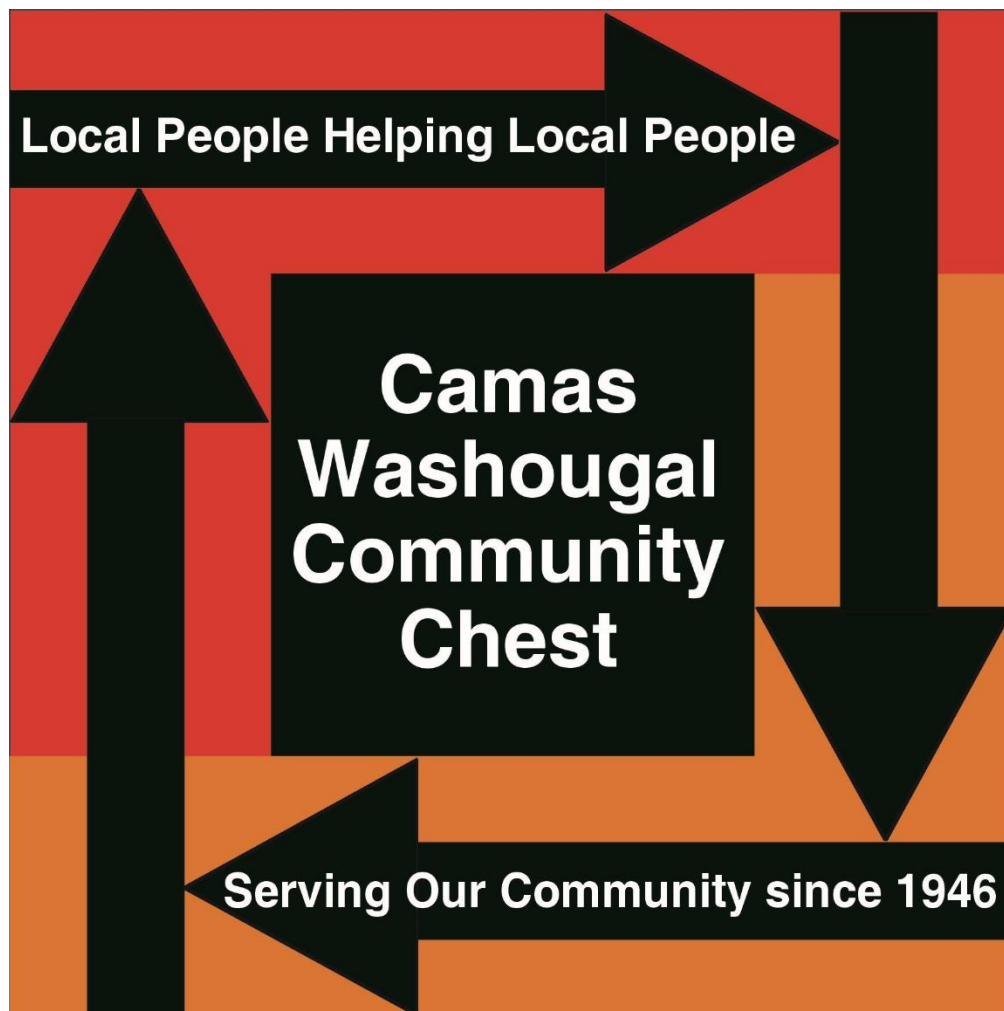


I'm a Friend of CWCC Information Kit

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I'm a Friend of Camas-Washougal Community Chest

I'm an Advocate for the Camas-Washougal Community Chest

I want to help CWCC reach its 2016 fundraising goal of \$75,000

As an individual I can help CWCC reach its goal by doing one or more of the following:

- ❖ I can make a personal charitable donation;
- ❖ I can ask my family and friends to make a charitable donation;
- ❖ I can ask my neighbors to make a charitable donation;
- ❖ I have a Fred Meyer Rewards Card. I can link my account to the Fred Meyer Community Rewards charitable donation program (for details and to sign up see <http://www.camaswashougalcommunitychest.org/individual-giving/>);
- ❖ I shop on-line with Amazon. I can sign up with Amazon's "Smile" charitable donation program (for details and to sign up see <http://www.camaswashougalcommunitychest.org/individual-giving/>);
- ❖ I can encourage family, friends and neighbors to learn more about CWCC and suggest they become friends of the CWCC;
- ❖ I can offer fundraising ideas to CWCC Board of Directors.

As an employee of a local business, I can help CWCC reach its goal by doing one or more of the following:

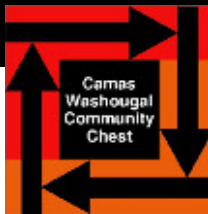
- ❖ I can ask my employer to make a business charitable donation;
- ❖ With my employer's permission, I can distribute CWCC's donation form to my fellow employees (CWCC can make available either a digital copy of its donation form or a paper copy);
- ❖ If my employer sponsors or permits a charitable giving program, I can advocate in support of CWCC being one of the eligible charities to receive donations;
- ❖ If my employer offers a charitable giving payroll deduction program, I can advocate in support of CWCC being one of the eligible charities to receive donations;
- ❖ I can encourage my employer to set up a charitable giving payroll deduction program;
- ❖ If my employer sponsors a United Way charitable giving campaign, I can advocate that my fellow employees make a designated donation to CWCC to ensure their donation supports local charities.

Resources available to me as a Friend of CWCC:

- ❖ CWCC website is found at: <http://www.CamasWashougalCommunityChest.org/> ;
- ❖ CWCC donation form (available as paper tri-fold brochure or digital (full color or graytone) to distribute electronically);
- ❖ 2015 Grants Awarded Report;
- ❖ CWCC Powerpoint Presentation (15 slides depicting 2015 accomplishments);
- ❖ I'm welcome to attend monthly Board meetings (typically 3rd Tuesday of the month from August through the following May from 5 to 7 PM)

**Camas Washougal
Community Chest**

PO Box 960 Camas, WA 98607



Here is my ☐ Cash/check ☐ Pledge
for this amount: \$ _____

☐ as a single donation

☐ or a monthly donation

or

☐ Contact me about workplace giving

Name (please print)

Employer/Company Name (if applicable)

Preferred Email Address

Mailing Address

City State Zip

X _____
Signature

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To sponsor Camas Washougal
Community Chest in the amount of:

\$ _____ ☐ Cash/check

Date _____ ☐ Pledge

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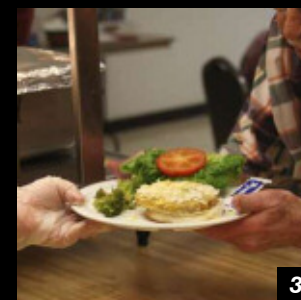
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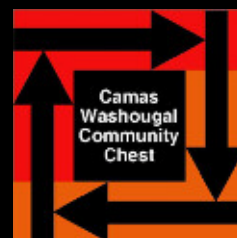


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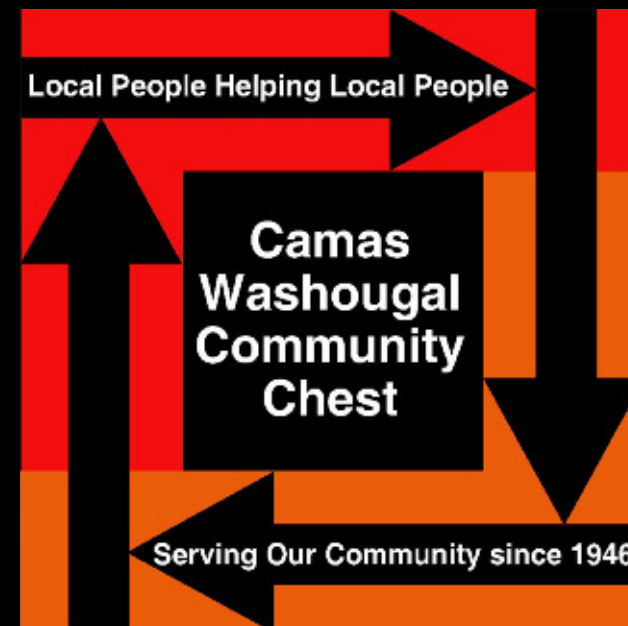
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to your
Camas-Washougal
communities**

We need your help!

*Together we have the power
to improve our community.
The dollars raised will help support
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of Camas and Washougal.*



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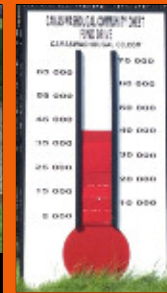
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95 percent of contributions support local charities within our communities.

"I'm looking for an organization in my community that I can trust to make good use of my donations."

That's Camas Washougal Community Chest

Community Chest offers these giving options:

- **Workplace giving**—participate in your company's payroll deduction campaign. If you don't have one, we'll help you organize one today. A Community Chest campaign offers employees the opportunity to become knowledgeable about our communities' most critical needs, helping to make solutions possible.
- **Direct Contribution**—individuals can make a gift directly to the Community Chest campaign each year.
- **Cash or Securities**—gifts of appreciated securities may maximize your tax deduction by avoiding capital gains. We provide instructions for making a stock transfer.
- **Pledge Payments**—simply fill out this form and send your pledge in an envelope or submit your pledge for a payroll deduction to your employer's payroll department.

Let us help you make a contribution!

For information on any of these giving options, contact us

camaswashougalcommunitychest.org

Your donations to **Community Chest**

have supported local
non-profits such as these:

Inter-Faith Treasure House (photo 1)

Meals on Wheels (photo 3)

Children's Home Society's East County
Family Resource Center (photo 7)

Camas Sister City Organization

Camtown Youth Festival (photo 6)

Principals' Children's Fund
and Suicide Prevention Program

Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts
C-W activities (photos 4 and 9)

Lower Columbia Estuary Partnership
C-W activities (photos 2 and 5)

Top Soccer Outreach Program (photo 8)

C-W Young Life

Janus Youth Programs

Swim lesson sponsorships for 60 local kids

Community Pregnancy Clinic

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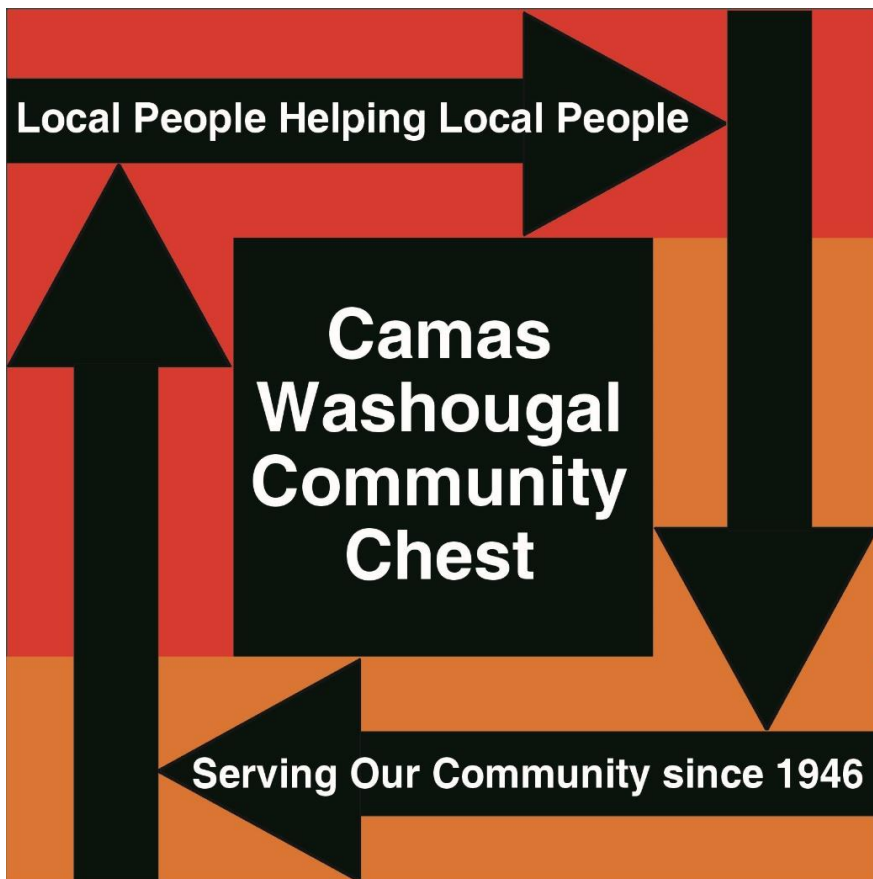
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"I'm looking for

ways to streamline my giving but still help my community."

2015 CWCC Grants Report

October 1, 2014 – September 30, 2015



President's Message

Giving to the Community Chest is an easy and efficient way to help people in need in our home town. We are a long standing local all-volunteer non-profit organization dedicated to helping our community. We ensure your donation stays in our community and has a big impact.

Just last year the CWCC awarded 15 grants of nearly \$70,000 to non-profit organizations helping people in Camas and Washougal. Their stories of service to the local community are briefly described in the following pages.

The Community Chest relies on donations from individuals and businesses. Last year over 97% of donations went directly back to our community. The remaining dollars covered typical service and supply costs of an organization. Please donate to the CWCC and give yourself the satisfaction of knowing you are helping local families in need. All donations are tax deductible as the CWCC is a 501 (c) (3) non-profit organization.

If you would like to be involved, or have any questions or comments about the CWCC visit our website at www.CamasWashougalCommunityChest.org or contact me at info@CamasWashougalCommunityChest.org.

2015-2016 CWCC Board

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Robert Howe
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Rochelle Ramos

Helping to Meet Essential Needs

Interfaith Treasure House

The grant funds are projected to be used in the following ways:

- 5,200 people to receive food boxes
- 5,000 people to receive USDA commodities
- 4,800 people to be served free dinners at Lost & Found cafe
- 70 student to take home food for the weekend
- 30 families to receive utility assistance
- 45 families to receive rent assistance to prevent eviction
- 300 children to receive Christmas gifts and 400 people may enjoy a Christmas dinner
- 250 children in Camas schools to receive school supplies



East County Family Resource Center

The grant will educate parents about concepts of early childhood development and the effects of Toxic Stress (poverty, unemployment, domestic violence, family instability, few resources, and low parent functioning) on children, parents and child parent relationships. The Front Desk Coordinator will be trained to score and discuss the Ages and Stages Questionnaire and the Ages and Stages Questionnaire – Social Emotional. The grant funds a Circle of Security class for up to 10 parents. This eight week course is designed to enhance attachment security between parents and children. The grant also funds the Incredible Years Toddler series for parents. This class is 13 weeks long and focuses on techniques of play with young children, on emotion coaching for processing difficult feelings, and on positive methods of managing misbehaviors. Both classes will be taught by family educators.

Helping to Meet Essential Needs

Janus Youth Program

Janus Youth Program operates SW Washington's only crisis shelter for homeless, runaway and at-risk youth ages 9 to 17. *The Oaks* shelter has become the primary safety net for youth with severe mental health and/or addiction issues, youth who have been victims of sex trafficking and youth requiring protective custody due to open Child Protective Services' investigations. The grant is used to provide crisis and emergency services, youth activities, education and health and welfare programs for at-risk youth from Camas and Washougal. The grant also supports case management services which are vital to achieve family reunification, service entry and referral, needs assessment and coordinated exit planning.



Camas Children's Fund

Washougal Children's Fund

The two grants provide all kindergarten, elementary, middle and high school principals in the Camas and Washougal School Districts with funds to help any student in financial need to have access to activities, services or materials necessary for a quality education. The funds may be used for such diverse things as clothes, shoes, head lice treatment, activity fees or emergency medical treatment as may be deemed necessary by the school's principal.

Helping to Meet Essential Needs

Silver Star Search and Rescue

Silver Star Search and Rescue provides urban and wilderness searches, recoveries and first aid as requested by local law enforcement. The grant funds a portion of the cost to replace an aging 1983 Suburban that currently carries equipment and tows a supply trailer. In addition to purchasing a newer and more reliable truck, a canopy or tool box was purchased. The newer truck and canopy/tool box allows Silver Star to have all equipment and supplies in a secure vehicle ready for searches, recoveries and first aid calls in Camas, Washougal and east Clark County.

Meals on Wheels People

Grant funds are used to purchase food and food service supplies for the Meals on Wheels People Camas-Washougal Center and aid people with special needs. The mission of Meals on Wheels People is to enrich the lives of seniors and assist them in maintaining independence by making nutritious food, social contact and other resources easily available. Up to 3,000 people in Camas and Washougal can benefit by the Meals on Wheels People program.



Resource Conservation & Education

Lower Columbia Estuary Partnership

The LCEP education program includes three 60-minute classroom lessons that utilize an array of materials such as plant and animal specimens and watershed models. The lessons introduce students to the components of healthy watersheds, plant and animal populations and the interconnectedness of all living things. The outdoor component takes place at Steigerwald Lake National Wildlife Refuge and involves planting native trees and removing invasive plants along Gibbons Creek. Planting trees helps reduce water temperature, thereby enhancing native fish survival. Six hundred students, 21 teachers and 50 parent chaperones from Camas and Washougal schools are expected to participate in this educational experience. The grant funds a portion of educators' salaries, transportation expenses and materials and supplies.

Friends of the Columbia Gorge

The Vic Clausen Youth Outdoor Education Program exposes 250 sixth graders from the Washougal School District to the wonders of the Columbia Gorge, its significance as a national treasure and the unique story of its preservation through the Columbia River National Scenic Area Act. This two-day outdoor education program strives to build the student's sense of place and to develop a land stewardship ethic. The outdoor educational experience includes lessons in geology, ecology and habitat restoration, as well as an interpretive hike and scavenger hunt. The program also covers some history of the Columbia Gorge including the Lewis and Clark expedition and the ice age floods. The grant specifically funds a portion of the educators' stipend and the bus transportation expenses.



Enriching Lives

Reach Community Development

The grant funds a portion of the budget for the Resident Services staff to provide workshops, cooking classes, Rent Well programs and one-on-one meetings with residents to build self-sufficiency and financial stability at ACE's Gateway Gardens community in Washougal. Gateway Garden's 32 units of housing has an average of 80 to 85 residents. Some of the funds also cover learning and arts and craft supplies for the Kids Club, which includes Gateway Gardens kids' friends from the larger Addy Street neighborhood.

Friends of Camas Community Center

Camtown Youth Festival

The Camtown Youth Festival is a free community event designed and programmed by our Camas youth and run by our community kids. The event includes a variety of games, craft activities, entertainment, food, art show and competition, a kids' flea market, fundraiser for local non-profit youth organizations and youth-related information tables – all devoted to youth ages 2 to 16. The grant funds arts and craft supplies – 10 to 12 stations of hands-on arts and craft activities to accommodate 200 participants at each station. It is estimated 2,500 people attend the festival.



Swimming Scholarships

The grant covers 60 sponsorships for swimming lessons at the Camas municipal pool located in Crown Park. Camas Parks and Recreation's mission is to provide low or no cost activities to the local youth and adult community. A typical sponsorship covers 75% of the swimming lesson's fee, estimated at \$55 per person.

Enriching Lives

Friends and Foundation of Camas Library

The grant funds a portion of the Camas Library's Summer Reading Program for pre-kindergarteners through teens. The SRP advances education and youth activities as it fosters "fun" reading over the summer from the time school ends until it begins in the fall. Youth who read during the summer will practice their reading and comprehension skills and are likely to start school in the fall more prepared. The Library offers fun events, prizes and activities throughout the summer to keep kids engaged in the SRP. Some 2,500 kids participate in the summer reading program.

Camas Farmers Market

The grant is used by Camas Farmers Market to implement a token program called "Produce Pals." Produce Pals offers a weekly activity to educate and inspire children to grow, prepare and eat healthy foods. The weekly activity also educates children about where and how their food is produced. After each child has completed the week's activity they receive a \$2 token redeemable at any CFM booth for fresh fruits or vegetables. It is expected that 100 children will participate each week for the eight weeks the CFM is open. As a side benefit, the program fosters connections between farmers and the local community.

TOPSoccer

TOPSoccer (The Outreach Program) is a community-based program for kids of any age with physical and/or mental disabilities. TOPSoccer groups players by similar skills, talents and abilities rather than by age. The team will play eight games. Some 30 players and another 15 volunteers, coaches and buddies will participate. The grant will specifically fund tee shirts and trophies to enhance the team experience for the participants.