

# Williamsburg HOUSE OF MERCY



December 2016

## Director's Corner:



*Shannon Woloszynowski*

During this season of sharing we often take the opportunity to look back on the previous year and dream of the year ahead. We buy gifts for the special people in our lives and remember those who are no longer with us. This sense of looking back and looking ahead, of showing affection and paying tribute, are those things that make us human. They are without age, gender, and socio-economic status. Our hearts are full of gladness when we can bring joy to those that we love.

Because of you, we provided for over 500 children and 200 seniors this Christmas. Each of you who took an angel from the Angel Tree for our community's needy children, or our White Christmas Tree for the residents of Envoy and Patriot's Manor, brought joy to someone this Christmas.

At House of Mercy we are merely the distributors of your generosity. Every year we are blessed by the tearful hugs of grateful parents and reminded of the blessings in our own lives. We have been able to be a blessing because you have been a blessing. Thank you for giving joy and being mercy in 2016.

## Upcoming Events:

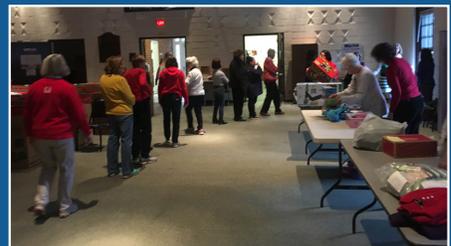
- The Williamsburg House of Mercy Mobile Food Pantry is **January 6th**.
- The Upper County Mobile Food Pantry at Stone House Presbyterian is **January 9th**.
- There will be a coat drive in early January. Distributions will take place **January 17th**.



Our amazing volunteers unloaded, sorted, and distributed over 1,200 gifts for local children and seniors.



Bob Aimone put in double duty, loading and unloading the brimming truck.



Volunteers lined up to receive gifts through the window as the truck was unloaded.



Carolyn Borowski (WHOM) and Lindsay (Bucktrout) delivered gifts to seniors at Envoy. A special thanks to Bucktrout Funeral Home who used their van and lent a hand in making these heartwarming deliveries to local nursing facilities.



The assembly line went from the truck outside, through the window, to eager volunteers inside.



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