



CHRISTIAN CARE

By providing safe shelter, support and resources, Christian Care empowers the homeless to make positive changes in every aspect of their lives.

APRIL/MAY/JUNE 2021



UPCOMING EVENTS

Watch for details!

April...

Spaghetti Dinner
Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon

May...

Trivia Night

June...

Bridge Builders

July...

Birdies for Charity

August...

Scavenger Hunt

September...

Donor Appreciation Picnic

October...

Pancake Breakfast
QC Crop Walk

November...

"In From the Cold"
Mayors Luncheon
QC Storm "Chuck A Puck"

December...

Resident Christmas Party



Our 8th Annual (1st Virtual) "Have a Heart for the Homeless" fundraiser was a huge success. We raised over \$31,000 to help support people experiencing homelessness. We could not have done it without our sponsors. Thank you to "The Thinker" sponsors...Office Machine Consultants, Inc., St. John Vianney Altar & Rosary Society, Matthew & Lynette Wilson, GreenState Credit Union, First Midwest Bank, Central Bank Illinois, Bank Orion, Blackhawk Bank, Hammar & Associates and Sister Ludmilla Benda Memorial. Thank you to "The Builder" sponsors...Quad City Bank & Trust and Candice Shamsie. A special thank you to "The Improver" sponsors listed below.

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Thank you to our very generous donors and to everyone who bought raffle tickets. Congratulations to the winners...a few of them are pictured below.



Jane Helke
No Greater Wealth than Peace



Mary Lucas
Got Cabin Fever



Rose Roe
Galentine's Day





WELCOME NEW BOARD MEMBERS



Bob Swanson



Nicole Marty



SAVE THE DATE!

Mark you calendar for Friday, May 14, 2021 at the Rock Island Holiday Inn because Trivia Night is returning. Start building your teams!



\$15
Salad, Spaghetti & Garlic Bread
Includes Glass of Wine
(Only \$6 for a Second Glass)
SPAGHETTI TO GO
Also Available

Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser

Friday, April 9 from 6:00-7:00 P.M.
Doors Open at 5:30 P.m.
Trinity Anglican Church
1818 6th Avenue, Rock Island, IL 61201

Tickets available at www.christiancareqc.org or by emailing banderson@christiancareqc.org or by calling (309) 558-1949 or at the door the night of the event.

THANK YOU QUAD CITIES!

Pictured below are the First Presbyterian Church of Milan (top) and Moline Activity Center Members (bottom). We are so thankful for your support!





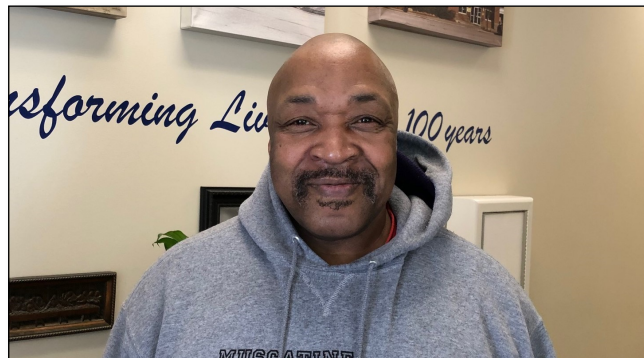
Christian Care just completed work on the only public shower facility on the Illinois side of the Quad Cities! This project is the direct result of Christian Care identifying a gap in services in the Illinois Quad Cities. A large portion of the project was funded through private donations. Opening day has yet to be determined pending COVID restrictions. Thank you to Ryan & Associates for a job well done!



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My Story

Upset and feeling alone in a world filled with people, how could that be? Well, Millard felt that way after his wife passed causing major depression.



He felt as though he was without the support of family and friends when he started struggling with maintaining his sobriety and finances. Millard lived with his stepson for a short time, but they could not get along and was forced to move out. Millard quickly pulled himself together and started over by securing full-time employment and temporary housing in a hotel. He met a woman who became his girlfriend. The relationship ended when Millard's drinking got out of control. Millard continued consuming alcohol heavily and became homeless as a result.

Millard was referred to Christian Care by his pastor. Millard put his pride aside and came to the shelter. Through Christian Care's case management services, Millard was assisted with applying for housing at Community Home Partners. Unfortunately, Millard was denied housing when he failed to pass the background check. He was given a second chance at housing through the appeal process. With the help of Christian Care's Resident Services Coordinator, Millard appealed and the denial was overturned after he successfully proved to the Community Home Partner's appeal board that he had been able to maintain full-time employment, had no criminal activities and maintained his sobriety. Millard successfully obtained permanent stable housing through CHP

and moved into his apartment February 18, 2021. Millard states, "Christian Care put me back on the right road, kept me warm and kept my belly full! Now I'm back rolling. I again look forward to waking up in the morning."

CHRISTIAN CARE WELCOMES...



Lanette Paper
Community Outreach



Angela McCarthy
Client Advocate



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A GIFT WITH A LASTING IMPACT

A financial gift given directly to Christian Care can forever continue your desire to help those experiencing homelessness. It may be a gift in your will, a gift of real estate, life insurance, or even your required minimum distribution from your IRA. Let these gifts be an everlasting commitment to your solidarity with those who find themselves in difficult situations.

If you wish to talk further about this kind of impactful gift, please feel free to contact Frank Roe, Executive Director, at (309) 786-5734 or at froe@christiancareqc.org.



BUILD A BRIDGE BACK HOME

Become a Bridge Builder by becoming a monthly or ongoing donor with Christian Care. Join the community of partners that strives to build a bridge helping those experiencing homelessness move from life on the street into stable, permanent housing. Choose the option that works best for you (or select your own amount /frequency) and help us make a difference.