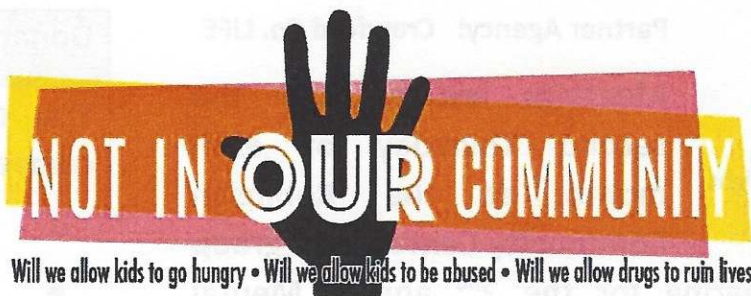




United Way of Crawford County



Director's Corner – Spring is breaking out all over and so is our contact with our partner agencies and volunteers as we are preparing for the annual Days of Caring. This year's dates are June 11<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup> and will feature activity all across the county including several new projects. We are also preparing for the Marathon Petroleum Company's annual golf outing which is by far our largest fund raiser and great exposure for the county. We are looking forward to seeing the impact of our allocated dollars with our agencies as we were able to expand these focused dollars to a record \$283,000. The process begins again as we are now seeking the new grant cycle requests for 2020 distribution. These new grant requests will be listed on the 2019 pledge cards.



MPC Staff present a record check to Chair John Spitz and Director Mark Hill. Between campaign, corporate match, and other MPC events. The company raised \$412,200!



Partner Agency: Palestine Food Bank



Eastern Illinois Foodbank is implementing a new program called Link2Feed beginning April 15<sup>th</sup>. Their Technology helps organizations around the world feed change to their communities. They believe we can't end hunger, if we don't understand it. We will be gathering information on our clients to this program. Once a month on Monday we have Good Samaritan Health with free screens such as blood pressure, psa checks, etc.

Partner Agency: Crawford Co. LIFE



Meetings are at 9:00 the second Thursday of each month at the Robinson Community Center. The group is preparing for the 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Mental Health Awareness Day. They are hosting a booth at the Out of Darkness Walk to be held Sept. 14<sup>th</sup> at Washington Park. Group has an Americorp Grant to continue pursuing becoming a behavioral health center. The group recently heard from a recovering person who is now meeting with incarcerated individuals in the jail. Thanks to MPC for a \$5,000 donation.

Partner Agency: Big Brothers Big Sisters of Crawford County



Turnout was good and the competition was friendly but fierce at Big Brothers Big Sisters of Crawford County's Rock Trivia Fundraiser on March 30, at Quail Creek Country Club. 19 teams competed in 8 rounds of trivia based on a variety of music topics. Fan favorites were guessing The Guitar Riffs with Jared and Luke and singing it out with Kevin and Janis. WTYE Radio was on hand to make the night run smoothly, Abby Siler stopped by to sing a few songs and Irene's Vineyard was in the house pouring wine all evening. Jason Sutfin and his team at First Robinson Savings Investments took home the trophy and gained bragging rights as the 2019 Big Brothers Big Sisters Rock Trivia Champs. Profits for the night are not yet totaled, as Reineohl Kehlenbrink LLC and Mid-Illinois Big Brothers Big Sister's Executive Director Stacey Rios are tallying up the margins, but it is believed that the evening was successful both financially and as an overall good time.

## Donate by Texting

You can donate quickly to the annual campaign by Texting **UWCC** to **41444**

Partner Agency: Unchanging Grace



Unchanging Grace has finally raised enough money to purchase a small building for the store. Soon we will be stocking the store with basic household items for the ladies that attend the accountability program or who are part of the live-in program. If anyone has a female client that is seeking a 12 step Celebrate Recovery program, we are offering one on Tuesday mornings at 10 a.m. We also hold a bible study on Monday evenings at 5 pm. Please remember to remind any referrals that they can receive point sot get basic times for them and their families. Some items include diapers, toilet paper, and other household items.

We have three new board members Sarah Robinson, Shelley Hatfield, and Cary Curry. Cindy Hone is the new vice-president. We are thankful to the Sheriff's Office for allowing us to come to the join and minister to the females there. We have our first live-in client as a result. She has been at the house since December; she is making huge leaps in her lifestyle. She has been sober for this entire time and we are very proud of her.



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THE ANNUAL CRAWFORD COUNTY DAYS OF CARING WILL BE HELD THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY ON JUNE 11<sup>TH</sup> 12<sup>TH</sup> AND 13<sup>TH</sup>.