



**HANNAH'S TREASURE CHEST**  
Enriching the Lives of Children in Need

## WISH LIST

### 3 Simple Things To Donate

- PJs: Girls & Boys: Size 8-12
- Cribs - No Drop Side Cribs
- Winter Clothes & Coats

See our full wish list online at:

[bit.ly/HTCWishlist](http://bit.ly/HTCWishlist)

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### Ready to donate?

Drop off bagged or boxed items any time during our office hours or after hours in our donation bins. If you have any questions call the office at (937) 438-5039.

### Visit

[www.hannahstreasure.org](http://www.hannahstreasure.org) for additional donation locations.

Volunteer, donate, or tour during our **Second Saturdays**:

- March 11
- April 8
- May 13

### Email

[volunteer@hannahstreasure.org](mailto:volunteer@hannahstreasure.org) for more details.

# Treasured Connections

Winter 2017

## From Sarah's Desk

2016 was a year of significant progress for Hannah's Treasure Chest which was made possible thanks to the strong community of supporters like you.

After intense discussion and planning, the team of volunteers and staff rearranged significant portions of our warehouse to get us settled into our newly expanded 3,200 sq ft addition. Teams from **LexisNexis** and **Centerville Noon Optimist Club** helped with painting and carpeting, and our good friends at **101 Mobility** installed a sturdy safety ramp in the new area to make moving donations easier.

We invited the community to take a look at our new digs in September during our annual Donut Drop In open house. Dozens of visitors stopped by for a fresh **Bill's Donuts** treat and **First Watch** coffee, and saw first-hand how your donations are gathered into life-changing care packages.

The renovations continued with a generous donation of wall shelving from the **Washington -Centerville Library**. Thanks to the efforts of Tom Woolard, **Entriq Solutions**, Stu Merl, and Erich Eggers who moved, assembled, installed and safely secured the shelving. Our book team is ecstatic at the transformation of our book corner!



*New bookshelves on back wall donated by Washington-Centerville Public Library.*

To help sustain HTC's healthy progress, the board and staff participated in a strategic planning session during the last quarter of 2016. The goals mapped out for the next 18 months will ensure HTC is meeting the ever growing and changing needs of our partner agencies in Butler, Greene, Montgomery, and Warren counties while staying within our mission focus.

**I'm very excited to have such a wonderful team of volunteers and staff that are dedicated to enriching the lives of children in need. They make HTC a great place to volunteer and work every day, as well as helping fill an essential need in the community.**

The strong financial support from donors is also a key component of our future success. It is only because of your continuing support that we can keep helping clients like this:

*Thank you so much for the wonderful care package. With the struggles this year has brought, I am very grateful for the help. My daughter will love the all the sparkly clothes and dollhouse and my boys will love the sports shirts and games. You matched them perfectly. I pray your program continues to bless and help many families throughout the years.*

*Forever Grateful – A. P.*

Thank you for being part of our mission to enrich the lives of children in need.

**Sarah Williams, CNP, Executive Director**



# CareSource Diaper Drive



CareSource employees unload diapers and wipes at Hannah's Treasure Chest.

CareSource employees in Dayton collected nearly 25,000 diapers and over 18,000 wipes to help close the diaper gap for low-income families in the Miami Valley. The diapering supplies were donated to local children's nonprofit Hannah's Treasure Chest to be included in care packages for local children in need.

"CareSource employees actively volunteer with hundreds of nonprofits in our community," said Cathy Ponitz, Vice President, CareSource Foundation. "Every December we rally companywide to participate in our Giving Tree Program which focuses on a critical social issue. This year we worked to address the expense of diapers for low-income families."

Diaper need, which the National Diaper Bank Network defines as "the lack of sufficient supply of diapers to keep a baby clean, dry and healthy" affects 1 in 3 American families. As with other hygiene products, diapers may not be purchased with funds from SNAP, WIC or other government safety-net programs.

"The average baby will need 3,000 diapers in a year and the cost is often overwhelming. With our employees' donations of 25,000 diapers and nearly 18,000 wipes, we are helping Hannah's Treasure Chest provide much needed resources to the babies and families the organization serves," Ponitz said.

"It was very exciting to see our workroom fill with so many supplies to help meet diaper need for local families," said Sarah Williams, executive director of Hannah's Treasure Chest. "The diapers & wipes donated by CareSource employees will go far to help caregivers keep their children dry and healthy."

Interested in holding a drive to benefit children in need? Contact HTC at 937-438-5039 or info@hannahstreasure.org for suggestions and materials!



CareSource employees and HTC executive director, Sarah Williams, with 25,000 diapers!

**"Thanks to Hannah's Treasure Chest, my clients are moving from surviving to thriving!" ~ Partner Agency Staff Member**

Shop and Support!  
Find out how:  
<http://bit.ly/ShopSupportHTC>

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You shop. Amazon gives.



Help us thank our meal donors when you eat at their establishment!

Thinking of volunteering?



Email  
volunteer@hannahstreasure.org  
or call  
(937) 438-5039  
to join our team!



Cheryl Pry & Doris Ewing

Doris Ewing is our Volunteer Office Assistant! She helps organize all of the paperwork for the end of each year, and sends thank you cards to our in-kind donors. Doris is a HUGE help with Giving Angels. She is also the volunteer with the most longevity since she's been with us for 11 years!

## Volunteer Spotlight

What is something that people might be surprised to learn about you?

- I have been here so long, I thought they all knew everything about me! I did have a new addition to the family, my great grand-daughter born January 21!

What brought you to HTC?

- I started volunteering at Dayton Children's Hospital, but due to medical reasons I had to find other volunteer opportunities. My friend, Barb Laake, brought me here.

Why do you volunteer at HTC?

- The wonderful friends that I've developed here are like family.

What would you say to someone who is thinking about volunteering at HTC?

- It's a wonderful place. Everyone is so welcoming - like a family!

What other causes are you passionate about?

- Dayton Children's Hospital and Blue Star Mothers.

If you had your own personal theme song, what would it be?

- I Believe by Frankie Laine. I'm also an Elvis fan!

What advice do you have on staying married for 60 years?

- Don't take yourself too seriously. It's all about the give and take.

### Volunteer Groups

- \* Metlife Employees
- \* St. Andrews Women's Circle
- \* Girl Scouts of America
- \* Creative World of Montessori
- \* Kettering Physician's Network
- \* Alter High School Students
- \* Junior League of Dayton
- \* Entriq Solutions



### Foundations

- \* CareSource Foundation
- \* Hamilton Community Foundation
- \* Levin Family Foundation
- \* Liberty Center Foundation
- \* Miriam G. Knoll Charitable Foundation
- \* Physicians Charitable Foundation of the Miami Valley
- \* U.S. Bank Foundation
- \* Oakwood Rotary Club

## Giving Angels 2016

Thanks to generous sponsors in our community, nearly 500 children and 248 families received holiday gifts through Giving Angels in 2016! This special holiday giving program coordinates local businesses, groups and individual sponsors to provide area children in need with holiday gifts – two wished-for items and two needed items. The children's families are also provided with a grocery gift card for a holiday meal, and most families also receive a household gift, such as a cleaning kit, bed linens or a set of dishes.

Letters like this one tell how meaningful the generosity of our Giving Angels sponsors is to the families we serve:

*This is so amazing. My husband and I recently had our second child (our first is 3). A couple months ago, something happened with my two-year-old nephew and we ended up getting custody of him. He was extremely neglected and behind developmentally and socially. It has been rough adjusting to this change (both mentally and financially), but I am*

*so glad that he is thriving and growing and learning so much. Unfortunately, this Christmas is going to be extremely rough because we are limited, but I wanted to give them all a FUN and MAGICAL Christmas.*

*Anyway, I think this is an amazing thing you guys are doing.*

*Thank you,*

*The S. Family*

This program is a vital part of our mission to enrich the lives of children in need, not only with everyday basics, but also with the holiday magic that only a caring community can give. Thank you for being part of our community.





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**Join**  
**The Great Diaper Dash**

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Host a drive  
to collect new and  
open packs of diapers  
from April 1-30.



**Help close the #DiaperGap for families in need!**  
Call 937-438-5039 for more info!



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