



MISSION STATEMENT:

Cherry Street Youth Center, Inc., is an ecumenical ministry formed to help children develop spiritually, emotionally, physically, and academically within their community.

We fulfill our mission statement and share love with the children by being positive influences in their lives and by offering classes in Bible, character, art, computers, physical education, reading, math, social skills, anger management, drug awareness, cooking, music, and more!

We are a non-profit, faith-based youth center. Our focus has been to share the love of God through Jesus Christ with the elementary-aged children in Chanute by providing them with a safe, secure, and fun place to go after school that offers a wide variety of learning experiences and opportunities.

Main office #
620-431-2161



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Back to School!!

Look at these amazing kids! Our crew in blue look pretty good too!

I just love all the smiling faces. The kids are excited to be with us after school. Everyday I am asked "which class do we have today?" When I answer the reply is always "Yay!"



We have been short staffed at our West and Warehouse building. This has allowed me the opportunity to fill in and really get to know the kids. I usually takes me several weeks to learn names because I'm never at the same building through out the week. I have ALL the west kids' names down!!

During the month of September our focus is teaching the children about their small part in growing God's Kingdom. WE all have a part to play and we each have talents gifted to us by God to help. The first parable we are learning about is about the mustard seed.

Fresh Fruit Friday

One of the great things about fresh fruit Friday is of course getting health fruit into the kids but an opportunity for them to try something new is always fun too!

The Warehouse kids tried rambutan for the first time! It sure looked strange. Actually, it looks like something that crawled out of the ocean. It was a 50/50 split on if they liked it or not.

We would like to thank the Lutheran church for sponsoring the month of September! The kids do enjoy their fruit. We still have the months of April and May unsponsored. We had a family join together (Grandma & Grandpa + Mom and Dad) last month to sponsor August. If you or someone you know would like to sponsor a month, \$200 covers the month. You can call our office at 431-2161 for more information.



THANK YOU READING VOLUNTEERS!!

Items need for the centers

- Individually wrapped candy (Dum Dum suckers, Tootsie Rolls, fun size candy bars, Jolly Ranchers, etc)
- Dish towels and washing clothes for the kitchen at West (used towels and clothes are welcomed!!)



Volunteering

If you are interested in volunteering at one of our centers call the office at 431-2161 to get signed up. We do require a background check and references for all volunteers.



RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

Warehouse Happenings

These guys do not miss a beat! We have several kids that attended this past summer, back for the school year! We have twelve 6th graders, four 7th graders, and six 8th graders. It is a FULL house when they all come the same day. (so far that's only happened 4 times) Our attendance expectations for the middle schoolers is much more flexible in that we want them plugged in at school participating in the extras like chess club, team sports, or even homework help. Our average attendance has been 17 each day.

The Warehouse kids will continue to look for service projects in the community. If you are aware of any that the kids could help with for a couple of hours, please call our office at 431-2161. The Soles 4 Souls project is still their primary service project for the year. Through the summer the kids processed just under 400 pairs of shoes! We ship them to a regional hub for processing and distribution through out the US and around the world. If you have gently used shoes of any type, bring them to the grey drop box located on the West campus near Cherry St. and the alley. Look for the Soles 4 Souls sign.



Warehouse kids learning how to extract honey.



Working on the banner



Warehouse kids gathering for their Bible lesson

2022-23 Open Positions

We are still in need of some good people to fill some spots here at Cherry Street. We have a Warehouse teaching position open and we need "subs" to cover when someone needs off or is ill. Please refer anyone you feel would be an asset here at Cherry Street! I have listed each position and the starting wage below.

- Warehouse Teacher \$11.50
- Sub employee \$9.00

SOLES 4 SOULS
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Items we need for Christmas 2022 baskets: Laundry Detergent

Raffle to Support Cherry Street

This amazing quilt is on display at Kay's Place on Main Street. Go to 5 E. Main Street to see it in person. Raffle tickets are being sold \$2 per ticket or 3 for \$5. Tickets will be sold now through Artist Alley.

The winning ticket will be drawn at Artist Alley September 24th, 2022. A portion of the proceeds will be coming to the Cherry Street Youth Center to support our work with the children after school!

Tickets can be purchased at Kay's Place and with several local individuals.