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Spring 2020

# The ECHO Times

**LIFE IS AN ECHO - WHAT YOU SEND OUT, YOU GET BACK!**

## President's Message

By Nancy Hansen-Bennett



As I sit down to write this, I feel so blessed to be part of ECHO. I am seeing us step up to the plate during these challenging times, as we completely changed our method of interviewing and serving our clients. We are continuing to see more and more new families in need and we are trying to keep up! Our staff is incredible as they meet daily frustrations with a positive attitude. Our volunteers, though fewer in number, are adept at changing ways of filling and delivering food orders.

I was especially happy that we finally had our "Home on Fremont" habitable and ready for the early March move-in of our new family. To take a family out of homelessness was our goal, but it took so much hard work on the part of so many with so many hoops to jump through. Our house blessing took place just as our new family was ready to move in.

We didn't forget the children at Easter, despite not being able to have a large crew of volunteers put Easter baskets together. Thanks to Miss Jezarz's class at St. Paul Lutheran School, we had enough baskets for the YWCA women's shelter children, and I was fortunate to have time to make and personalize baskets for ECHO clients as orders came in.

Thanks to our wonderful community, we are able to keep meeting the need.

Blessings to all!

**Visit [www.ECHOJanesville.org](http://www.ECHOJanesville.org) to view our monthly and annual reports, along with our most recent audit documents.**

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## ***Surviving COVID-19 – Looking Toward a Return to “Normal”***

*Karen Lisser, Executive Director*

***We are persevering!*** ECHO is an essential service that is open during the COVID-19 pandemic. We are keeping families in their homes, keeping them fed, and helping them with other essential needs. Last newsletter, I mentioned that we go hand-in-hand to help others. Now, it's a virtual hand-in-hand. We join the other community frontline heroes. We couldn't do all that we are doing without the community support we have been getting. Read Jessica's article on how we are handling services, adjusting for the virus.

***Worth Our Weight in Gold?*** I also cannot say enough about the team work of ECHO's staff of 16 people and a core number of volunteers who have made all of this work, even though it hasn't been easy. We are assisted by volunteers, but now only about one tenth of our usual people, which we have purposely limited during this time. Some of those core volunteers are coming in every day, and some all day. Thank You to the ECHO staff and volunteers for the great job you are doing during these trying times. Last year was our **50<sup>th</sup> Golden Anniversary**, but this year, we are continuing to be golden. We should all get on the food scale, as a group, and calculate the value, right?!

***We Keep Doing More!*** Our year-end service reports for 2019 are on our website. One of our specialty reports is ***ECHO Services 1975 – 2019***. ECHO was started in late 1969, but 1975 is the first year that we had an Executive Director and started tracking service data. This report shows the first and last year of the first two Executive Directors: LaVerne Sandgren 1975-1990 and Barb Smith 1991-1994, and a variety of years with me, the third Executive Director – 1995, 2005, 2015 and 2019. From 1975 to 1990, services increased 83%. From LaVerne's last year (1990) and Barb's last year (1994), services decreased 16%. From Barb's last year (1994) to my first year (1995), services increased 88%. We started counting pounds of food going out in 2005, which wasn't counted in the previous years. Subtracting out the pounds of food, since that number skews the total units of service, from my first year, 1995, to 2019, services increased 445%. In 2019, we served 3,868 unique households (HHs); that is 12% more than the 3,439 unique HHs served in 2018. That is about 14,000 people. Unique refers to counting a HH just the first time for service for the year.

***The need for services is constant all year, and this is truly an unpredictable year.*** Clients struggle to put food on the table and pay their rent and utility bills. Housing and food services go hand-in-hand. Unstable housing affects clients' employability, mental health, their children's success in school, employers' bottom lines, and the community. The unemployment rate is skyrocketing, because of COVID-19, from having been the lowest rates of unemployment before that. Even before this unemployment boom, there had been an increase in employed persons becoming homeless, because of increased housing costs.

***Donations to ECHO pack a huge punch!*** The annual ECHO ***DOLLARS & SENSE REPORT*** combines our year-end service and financial reports, and adds in-kind donations to depict the estimated value of ECHO's services. The ECHO ***DOLLARS & SENSE 2019*** shows ECHO's ***Direct Assistance*** is **99%** and ***Administration*** just **1%**! In-kind donations cost money to administer, so they are included in that figure, and should be! But if they were taken out, we would be at 93% Direct Assistance.

***We hope that our mission and reputation encourage donations.*** For the fifth year in a row, we earned the coveted 4-Star Rating from ***Charity Navigator*** for our commitment to accountability and transparency. ***Charity Navigator*** provides donors with essential information needed to give them confidence in the charity they choose. ***Charity Navigator*** state that it demands rigor, responsibility and commitment to openness, and that ECHO's supporters should feel confident that their dollars are being used efficiently and responsibly. It is the right way to do things – with transparency, good stewardship, openness, and kindness.

***I am privileged to be in a position to help people.*** The people who come to ECHO ask for basic assistance and humbly share their personal lives with us. They trust us and share their sorrows and joys, their mistakes and successes. They may have the least in material possessions, but they are not the least themselves—they are pretty special. We couldn't do all that we do without community support. ***ECHO is an example of faith in action, helping each other. Together, we will survive COVID-19! Thank You for your help!***



# Janesville Area Walk *Modified!*

**Sunday, April 26**

Just because we are social distancing does not mean we are not walking! Join our virtual Walk. Walk on your own or with your family!

To register and raise money:  
[www.crophungerwalk.org/janesvillewi](http://www.crophungerwalk.org/janesvillewi)




**Be safe. Be healthy.**

## CROP Walk Goes Virtual

Because of the coronavirus pandemic and the need for social distancing, the Janesville Area CROP Hunger Walk on Sunday, April 26, was a virtual one.

Walkers determined their own route and “walked together apart” to help end hunger. The total amount of money raised will be announced at a later date.

ECHO again will receive 25 percent of the funds raised from the walk. The remaining funds will help the efforts of Church World Service, a faith-based organization that fights hunger and poverty in communities around the globe.

It’s not too late to join the effort to fight hunger. Online donations can be made at [www.crophungerwalk.org/janesvillewi](http://www.crophungerwalk.org/janesvillewi). Regardless of its size, your gift will help people in your neighborhood and around the world.



**NEEDED: LARGE BROWN PAPER BAGS, PLASTIC BAGS, TWIST TIES AND PLASTIC BOTTLES**

Drop them off at ECHO Mon.-Fri. 9am-Noon, or Mon.-Thur. 1-4pm

**GO GREEN. REQUEST YOUR NEWSLETTER BY E-MAIL AT [www.echojanesville.org](http://www.echojanesville.org)**

*Please consider making a tax-deductible donation now to keep food on the tables and a roof over the heads of our neighbors who are struggling.*

\$30  \$60  \$120  \$250  \$500  Other  \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

**Donations can also be made online at [www.echojanesville.org](http://www.echojanesville.org)**

For payment by credit card, visit our website above.

Your gift is tax deductible as provided by law.

Thank you for your support.

Checks can made out to ECHO and mailed to 65 S. High St., Janesville, WI 53548

# Thank You!

**No One Should Go Hungry!**  
**Badger Spirits and**



are teaming up to help  
provide food for our neighbors.

For each bottle of liquor 750 ml or larger, Badger Spirits will donate a dollar to Echo. For cash donations, Badger Spirits will match the total cash donations up to \$1000.

**We're all in this together!**

Thank you Texas Roadhouse for donating a percentage of proceeds from the last week of April to ECHO!

Thank you to Alliant Energy Foundation for donating funds towards our housing programs!

Thank you United Way Blackhawk Region for COVID-19 fund relief for food pantry services!

*If you would like to volunteer at ECHO, please call Fran at 754-5333 to schedule a visit to fill out the volunteer application.*

GIVING  
TUESDAY



NOW

THANKS TO THE JP CULLEN FOUNDATION  
FOR KICKSTARTING OUR  
2020 GIVING TUESDAY NOW CAMPAIGN

**JP CULLEN**

THE TOUGH JOB EXPERTS



*By Jessica Locher, Associate Director*

First off, I would like to thank everyone for their kind words and support of ECHO during this pandemic. The ECHO staff and clients are so grateful to the community as they have stepped up to help their neighbors in need and allowing us to keep services flowing to those who need help. On March 16 ECHO had to adapt and find a new way to provide our services while keeping clients, volunteers and staff safe. The first change made was that all doors

to the building are locked and screenings for services are being completed over the phone. Clients without a phone are meeting with ECHO staff who are equipped with personal protective equipment. Our food pantry orders are currently being prepacked by a core set of 20 weekly volunteers, instead of the normal 50-70 volunteers. We are so grateful to the 20 volunteers who have dedicated the past two months and time going forward to help flatten the curve by allowing us to limit the number of people in the building. The food orders are then brought out to the client's car with no contact. All carts brought back into the building are being sanitized before use again. Our food pantry hours are still from 9-11am Monday through Friday. Senior Stockboxes are also being distributed as a drive up service from 1-3pm. Please call 608-754-5333 to set-up Food Orders and Senior Stockboxes. As of 4/16, we started delivery of food orders to 55+ and/or disabled via a partnership with Rock County Transportation on Thursdays from 12-4pm. All other services are being prescreened over the phone before an in-person appointment is set up. We will be re-evaluating service delivery on a regular basis and following local public health department and CDC recommendations. We have started planning for when we are able to unlock the doors. We have worked with City Glass and Randy, one of our truck drivers, to have Plexiglas barriers put in place at the reception desk and client advocate offices. We also have ordered multiple automatic hand sanitizer machines for heavy traffic areas of the building where sinks are not nearby. Please watch our Facebook page ([www.facebook.com/ECHOJanesville](http://www.facebook.com/ECHOJanesville)) for updates on service delivery changes. Additionally we also are looking at options for Plan B's for our special distributions such as school supplies and other large fundraisers to ensure safety for those attending. And as I stated before, we would not be able to provide these much needed services without your generous support. We are so grateful to be a part of the Rock County community - Thank you!



# Volunteer Take 5

Name: Tim Degenstein

How long have you volunteered at ECHO? 4 months

How did you get involved at ECHO? Needed something to do now that I'm in Wisconsin. Used to volunteer at a pantry when I lived in Arizona.

What do you do at ECHO? Stock shelves, load customers' vehicles, and run the vertical lift.

What is your favorite thing about ECHO? I like helping people in need.

What is one thing about ECHO that surprised you when you started volunteering? The great people that are here.



## Bicycles and Fans Needed

*ECHO assists clients with fans to keep cool in warm weather and bikes for clients to get to jobs.*

*Last year ECHO was able to provide fans to 104 clients.*

*Last year ECHO was able to provide bicycles to 29 clients.*

*Please consider donating a bicycle or fan to those in need.*



### Senior "Stockbox" Program

**Free Food** for income eligible seniors (60 & over)

Registration & distribution at ECHO

**Mon.-Thurs. from 1-3pm**

Box contents vary, but may include cereal, pasta or rice, canned goods, canned meat, juice & Wisconsin cheese.

**Wisconsin ID required**

Income limit: 1 person \$1,354; 1 person + spouse \$1,832

Stop by ECHO or call Marge at 754-5333 for more info.

Sponsored by the Hunger Task Force in Milwaukee

# Upcoming Events



Fundraiser for



Important  
DATE!

**Monday  
June 1**

This year we would like to invite you to join us in the fight against hunger! Participating establishments donate 10% of Monday, June 1st gross sales to ECHO.  
*View a list of participating establishments at [www.echojanesville.org](http://www.echojanesville.org)*

29 South Café  
Charlie's Place  
Citrus Café  
Culvers, Milton Ave and Court St  
Drafthouse

Kealy's Kafe  
Mac's Pizza Shack  
My Apartment Pub & Grill  
Panda Garden  
Sandee's Thai Fusion



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## ECHO Holiday Express



Sunday, November 29, 2020  
at the Pontiac Convention Center

Time - 2:00pm

# ECHO DOLLAR\$ & \$EN\$E Report 2019



HHs Served > 3,868 HHs /~14,000 people (unduplicated - counting each HH once)	Total Units of Service
<b>FOOD SERVICES</b> Total MEALS provided in 2019 > 3,633,076	
Pounds of Groceries > clients, pantries, groups	1,373,313 lbs. Food
Groceries & Commodities > client food orders	18,929 people/7,040 families
Baby Food & Formula / Adult Ensure, etc.	3,638 people: 3,618 babies / 20 elderly
Senior Stock Boxes > People 60+	5,067 people 60+
Community Meals (last Saturday each month)	1,366 meals (1x/mo)
Emergency Food Vouchers/Gift Cards (\$25 ave.)	1 families
Farmers Market Certificates	466 people/171 families
Thanksgiving Baskets	1,188 people/600 families
Christmas Day Dinner	850 meals
<b>PERSONAL &amp; HOUSEHOLD SERVICES</b>	
Personal & Cleaning Supplies—Laundry, Cleaning, Pers. Hygiene	36,875 people
Homeless Personal Supplies Boxes/Homeless Laundry Kits	136 Kits(83 Pers.Supp.Boxes/53 Laundry Kits)
Diapers & Baby Wipes / Depends & Liners for adults	3,343 people—3,301 babies/42 adults
Miscellaneous Services, Special Needs	9,461 families
Clothing Vouchers/Gift Cards	103 people
<b>HOUSING SERVICES</b>	
Lodging in Motels—Shelter Nights (cut 6 mos, no funding)	2,967 shelter nts.
Rent / Security Deposit Assistance (cut - housing shortage)	351 months of rent paid
<b>TRANSPORTATION SERVICES</b>	
Gasoline certificates (\$20 ea) (cut due to funding)	54 families
Bus Tokens, Passes etc. (cut due to funding)	133 families
Vehicles - Bicycles/Cars	31 vehicles: bicycles 29/Other 3
<b>OTHER SERVICES</b>	
Representative Payee Services	542 hours
Direct Asst. Contact Hrs (Case Mgmt, BOSCO, PATH, Hsg. Nav)	16,567 hours
UW-Ext. Cooking/Nutrition Demos at ECHO	960 people
Toys/Birthday Presents & Cake Mixes—Office	165 children
Small Appliances, Fans, AC, etc.	135 families
Information & Referral	30,793 people
ECHO / Humane Society — Pet Pantry Food	1,567 pets
Education Asst - Tuition, Books, Supplies	2 person
<b>SEASONAL SERVICES</b> (see also Food Services)	
School Supplies (does not include supplies given to JPS)	429 children/162 families
Easter Baskets	334 children
Christmas Trees & Decorations	98 families
Christmas Toy Program	517 children/152 families
Christmas Adopt-a-Family	304 people/81 families
<b>Subtotal of Client Services as shown above</b>	
Additional Cost of Client Services not listed above	1,510,685 varied services
<b>TOTAL SERVICES TO CLIENTS</b>	
Volunteer Hours (incl. staff's unpaid hrs) & Mileage: 24,000 hrs. @ min. wage \$7.25/hr (\$174,000) + 14,000 hrs.	
<b>Total on Direct Assistance to Clients (Cash &amp; In-Kind)</b>	
<b>ECHO's Total Expenditures</b>	

Report includes program accounting expenditures from financial report, plus Direct Asst \$838,158, without In-Kind Value (93%); Program Support Cost (General Administration) \$59,459 (Total Exp. - Direct Asst) ÷ Direct Assistance Services \$



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Cost	← Cash not accrual adjusted. ↓ Donations/Grants (Hsg	In-Kind	Total Asst.
<b>\$ 51,276</b>	<b>Total Food Services</b>	<b>\$ 3,486,351</b>	<b>\$ 3,537,627</b>
\$ -	- In-kind only	\$ 2,265,966	\$ 2,265,966
\$ 51,276	Grocery Budget & see In-kind	\$ 851,805	\$ 903,081
\$ -	- In-kind only	\$ 109,140	\$ 109,140
\$ -	- In-kind only	\$ 202,680	\$ 202,680
\$ -	- In-kind only	\$ 13,660	\$ 13,660
\$ -	- see Grocery Budget ↑ & In-kind	\$ 10	\$ 10
\$ -	- see Grocery Budget ↑ & In-kind	\$ 2,330	\$ 2,330
\$ -	- see Grocery Budget ↑ & In-kind	\$ 23,760	\$ 23,760
\$ -	- see Grocery Budget ↑ & In-kind	\$ 17,000	\$ 17,000
<b>\$ 3,846</b>	<b>Total Clothing &amp; Household Services</b>	<b>\$ 283,830</b>	<b>\$ 287,676</b>
\$ -	- In-kind only	\$ 737,500	\$ 737,500
\$ -	- In-kind only	\$ 4,080	\$ 4,080
\$ -	- In-kind only	\$ 100,290	\$ 100,290
\$ 3,846	Part of Special Needs on Fin. Rpt. & also In-Kind	\$ 283,830	\$ 287,676
\$ -	- In-kind only	\$ 4,120	\$ 4,120
<b>\$ 246,152</b>	<b>Total Housing Services</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 246,152</b>
\$ 45,854	ECHO \$13,754; Grants \$32,100	\$ -	\$ 45,854
\$ 200,298	ECHO \$18,823; United Way \$65,729; Grants \$115,746	\$ -	\$ 200,298
<b>\$ 3,629</b>	<b>Total Transportation Services</b>	<b>\$ 8,850</b>	<b>\$ 12,479</b>
\$ 1,679	ECHO Funds	\$ -	\$ 1,679
\$ 1,950	ECHO Funds	\$ -	\$ 1,950
\$ -	- Bicycles & Cars are In-kind only	\$ 8,850	\$ 8,850
<b>\$ 418,642</b>	<b>Total Other Services</b>	<b>\$ 138,622</b>	<b>\$ 556,052</b>
\$ -	- ECHO Funds—included below	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 417,430	ECHO Funds—16 staff (excludes \$15,930, included in Admin. below)	\$ -	\$ 417,430
\$ -	- UW-Ext. staff—see vol. hrs. & In-kind Groceries	\$ 4,800	\$ 4,800
\$ -	- In-kind only	\$ 6,600	\$ 6,600
\$ -	- Part of Special Needs on Fin. Rpt. & also In-Kind	\$ 4,050	\$ 4,050
\$ -	- Cost of Payroll included in Case Mgmt. & In-kind	\$ 123,172	\$ 123,172
\$ -	- In-kind only	\$ 31,340	\$ 31,340
\$ 1,212	ECHO Funds	\$ -	\$ 1,212
<b>\$ 8,769</b>	<b>Total Seasonal Services (see also Food Services)</b>	<b>\$ 86,540</b>	<b>\$ 933,467</b>
\$ 2,342	Part of Special Needs on Financial Rpt. & also In-Kind	\$ 21,450	\$ 23,792
\$ -	- In-kind only	\$ 10,020	\$ 10,020
\$ -	- In-kind only	\$ 4,900	\$ 4,900
\$ 6,427	Part of Special Needs -Fin. Rpt; \$1,330 w/Gift Cards; In-Kind	\$ 25,850	\$ 32,277
\$ -	- In-kind only	\$ 24,320	\$ 24,320
\$ 732,314	without accrual adjustments	\$ -	\$ 732,314
\$ 105,844	< Housing, Food & Support Svcs Costs not account	\$ -	\$ 105,844
<b>\$ 838,158</b>	<b>Program Services - Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$ 4,004,193</b>	<b>\$ 5,679,297</b>
00 miles @ .55/mi. for Client Svcs. (\$7,700) = \$181,700		\$ 181,700	\$ 181,700
<b>\$ 838,158</b>	<b>&lt; Direct Asst Cost + In-Kind &gt; = Total Value &gt;</b>	<b>\$4,185,893</b>	<b>\$5,860,997</b>
<b>\$ 897,617</b>	<b>&lt; Direct Asst + Administration Cost</b>		

value of volunteer services + Donated Goods (which cost money to administer).  
 (Admin. Mgmt/Fundraising) \$59,459 (7%). **Total Asst with Cash and In-Kind \$5,860,997**  
**\$5,860,997 = 1% Administration vs. 99% Direct Assistance Services!**



### ***In Memoriam:***

Since our last newsletter, we received contributions *in memory* of the following ECHO friends. Their families and friends are in our thoughts and prayers.

Greg Anderson  
Murphy Aumiller  
Joan Baron  
John Baumeister  
Dr. William Brockhaus  
Kay Deeney  
Don & Mary Eckert  
Tom Edgar  
Jim Fox  
Bob Goepfert  
Marty & Iris Guelker

Laverne Johnson  
Leona Jones  
Ted Kinnaman  
Judi Kneece  
Evelyn McQuade  
Leona Mildred Jones  
Pat Pember  
Elizabeth Peterson  
Michael Pletta's relative  
Irene Rau  
Mildred Rogers Wolters

Ron Schober  
Edward Schwellenbach  
Charlene Scott  
David & James Shebiel  
Ginny Spors  
Richard Strassburg  
James & Norine Turner  
Mary Ellen Utzig  
Lois Welsh  
Flo Werner  
Bud Wirth

### ***In Honor:***

We join the families and friends in congratulating the following ECHO friends who were *honored* by donations in celebration of their birthday, anniversary, or special occasion.

Jim & Terry Arneson  
Andrea Brien  
ECHO Staff & Volunteers  
Tracey Cook, Birthday  
Sigga Fagan, Birthday

Barbara Fett, Birthday  
Ben Grinvalds Family  
Erik Haakenson  
Carol Herzig  
Bob Hiller

Charlie Smith, 101 Birthday  
Michael & Judy Stoney,  
Anniversary  
Elaine Strassburg

### ***We thank you all for thinking of ECHO!***

**Memorial and honorarium card packets are available at the ECHO office or through participating churches. Each packet contains:**

1. An ECHO information sheet and envelope for you to mail or bring in your donation to ECHO.
2. A postcard to send to the person or family to let them know that a donation was made to ECHO in honor or memory of the person you are remembering.
3. Checks may be made payable to ECHO, Inc. (Your gift is tax deductible as allowed by law.)

## **ECHO Needs**

Soup and Crackers  
Mac & Cheese  
Cereal

Peanut Butter & Jelly  
Canned Meals  
Instant Coffee  
Spaghetti Sauce  
Feminine Supplies

Toilet Paper  
Diapers  
Baby Wipes  
Shampoo  
Conditioner

## **Food Pantry Thank You**

**Special thanks to the following businesses and organizations that assist our food programs:**

A & H Trucking	Hunger Task Force - Milwaukee
All Saints Anglican Church	Janesville Woman's Club
Alpha Delta Kappa	Jones Dairy Farm
Asbury United Methodist Church	Knights of Columbus
Best Events	Kwik Trip
Bimbo Bakeries USA	Land Title & Closing Services
Birds Eye	MacFarlane Pheasant Farm
Boucher Group	Madison Elementary
Brabazon Title Team	Madison K-Kids
Butternut Bakery	Menards
Cargill United Methodist Church	Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church
Catholic Charities	Mt. Zion United Methodist Church
Chambers & Owen	Nativity of Mary Catholic Church and School
Contemplative Prayer Group	NHA-WIC
Craig Retired Teacher Lunch Bunch	Olive Garden
Country Quality Dairy	Our Savior Lutheran Church
Crystal Farms	Panera Bread
Daniel's Sentry Food Store	Peace Lutheran Church
Delta Kappa Gamma	Perfectly Plus Women's Consignment
Dollar General	Pepsi
Dreier Family Dental	Piggly Wiggly
Dunkin' Donuts	Riverplace Senior Housing
E & D Water Works	Rock Green Realtors Association
Emerald Grove UCC	Rock Prairie Presbyterian Church
Fagan Automotive	St. John's Lutheran Church
Faith Lutheran Church	St. John Vianney Church
Festival Foods	St. Mark Lutheran Church
First Christian Church	St. Matthew Lutheran Church & School
First Congregational Church	St. Patrick Catholic Church
First Lutheran Church	St. Paul Lutheran Church
First Presbyterian Church	St. Peter's Lutheran Church
Gardner Bakery	St. William Catholic Church
Good Shepherd Lutheran Church	Sam's Club
Hedberg Public Library	Schnucks
Hendricks Properties	Seneca Foods
Home Depot	Starbucks
Hormel	Texas Roadhouse
Humane Society of Southern Wisconsin	Trinity Episcopal Church



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### **ECHO Calendar of Events**

- ◆ **6/1 Eat Out for Hunger** –  
All day at participating restaurants
- ◆ **8/21 School Supply Distribution**
- ◆ **10/24 Empty Bowl Soup Fundraiser**
- ◆ **11/21 Thanksgiving Basket Distribution** –  
at the Rock Co. 4-H Fairgrounds
- ◆ **11/29 ECHO Holiday Express** –  
at the Pontiac Convention Center.

*For more information about these events,  
visit [www.echojanesville.org](http://www.echojanesville.org)*

**THANK YOU**  
**Volunteers!**  
**We couldn't do it without you**

The Staff and our Board of Directors of ECHO say thank you to our hundreds of volunteers. We appreciate all that you do to help, from our food pantry to fundraising events and everything in between. Your dedication and time in volunteering for ECHO are priceless. ECHO volunteers gave over 24,000 hours in 2019!

THANK YOU!

