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Winter 2021

# The ECHO Times

## President's Message

By Heidi Jensen



Welcome to 2021! I think it is safe to say, most of us are eager to leave 2020 behind and look forward to this new year.

We look forward to this year with hope and promise. Promise the vaccines will be effective and we will gain control over and hopefully eradicate this pandemic. Hope that our new administration will work to heal our divided nation. Promise that we may return to our normal, pre-pandemic, life. Hope that we may soon be able to see our family and friends safely.

As with every new year, personnel changes occur to ECHO's Executive Board. This year we welcome Rita Milbrandt as Member-at-Large. In her short time serving on ECHO's Board, she has become an eager volunteer, helping in many ways. Stepping up to serve as Vice President is Dori MacFarlane. Dori serves tirelessly and passionately for ECHO and has for quite some time. I am beyond grateful to have her serve with me this year. Thank you to Rick Mueller, Maureen Birchfield, and Greg Kraft for serving another year on the Executive Board. Your hard work and commitment to ECHO makes serving a pleasure. A heartfelt thank-you to Nancy Hansen-Bennett for serving as President last year. Nancy has served on the Executive Board for many years and in many capacities. I am grateful for your guidance and leadership as you continue on the Board as Past President. Lastly, a thank-you for outgoing Past President, Gloria Huschka. Your dedication and leadership are greatly appreciated!

The year 2020 proved to be a challenging year to provide services through ECHO. Our staff, led by new Executive Director Jessica Locher, rose to the challenge! Many new ways to serve our clients and utilize volunteers safely had to be developed. Due to the pandemic, more people than ever need the services of ECHO. Jessica and her staff are doing an amazing job serving those in need!

This year will have many challenges and we will meet them head-on with our dedicated staff, volunteers and Board of ECHO!

## Immediate Past President's Message

By Nancy Hansen-Bennett



As I wind down my 2-year term as president of ECHO, I wish to thank everyone for the many blessings I have received just being a part of this great organization. Our staff is outstanding and cope with so many frustrations daily, always with a smile and always with an answer. I love helping Fran with the community meals and seeing the many smiling faces as the boxed meals are given out. It has truly been a joy for me to serve as ECHO president. Thanks be to God.



## 2020 Year in Review By Jessica Locher, Executive Director

At ECHO, 2020 was a year of full of changes and transitions. Due to COVID-19 the staff and volunteers at ECHO pivoted all of our services to be non-contact, which allowed us to maintain a safe and healthy work environment. We did not shut down any of our services this past year, in part due to the generosity of the community, churches, businesses, foundations, and COVID-19 response grants.

We saw a huge increase in our housing and homeless services in 2020. We provided 444 months of rent assistance - an increase of 26% over 2019, and 4,308 shelter nights - an increase of 45% over 2019. Our housing and homeless services are the most expensive service we provide - \$292,523 on rental assistance in 2020 and \$72,643 on shelter nights at local motels in 2020.

I would like to thank our dedicated food pantry volunteers for all their efforts in 2020 and going forward. They have put so much work into enacting the changes we made to allow our food pantry to be non-contact and safe for them and our clients. I would also like to thank the community for their support and understanding in the changes we made to accepting food donations, along with not accepting paper and plastic bags for six months until we figured out a safe method of using those donations.

ECHO also saw the transition of leadership during late summer. After 26+ years shaping ECHO’s mission and services, Karen Lisser retired at the end of August 2020. I would like to thank Karen for teaching me so much over the past 16 years. Her guidance and faith in me, with the support of a fantastic Executive Committee and Board of Directors, have allowed me to blossom in my new position as Executive Director. The staff and volunteers at ECHO have been amazing to work with during the COVID-19 pandemic and during the transition of leadership.

I also would like to thank you, our donors, for your outstanding support this past year! We pivoted from in-person events (murder mystery, spring dance, Holiday Express) to online silent auctions and a drive thru Empty Bowls. Our community stepped up to the plate to ensure that services were not cut or scaled back due to lack of funding. Community members who lost their job or fell ill with COVID-19 could count on ECHO to help meet their basic needs like food and housing.

As we begin 2021, I hope that things will eventually get back to a new normal and we can welcome you to ECHO for a tour or as a new volunteer. We want to be able to share with you how your donations make a huge impact in the lives of those we serve. We currently do not know when we will get to the new normal, but we hope that you will continue to be a great supporter of ECHO’s mission of meeting housing, food and other basic needs and addressing the barriers to self-sufficiency.



### 2021 ECHO Executive Committee

**Heidi Jensen**, President  
Asbury United Methodist Church

**Dori MacFarlane**, Vice-President  
Community Representative

**Rick Mueller**, Treasurer  
Community Representative

**Maureen Birchfield**, Secretary  
All Saints Anglican Catholic Church

**Greg Kraft**, Member at Large  
Nativity of Mary Catholic Church

**Rita Milbrandt**, Member at Large  
Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

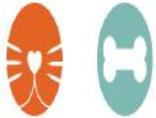
**Nancy Hansen-Bennett**, Immediate Past President  
Cargill United Methodist Church



ECHO’s mission is dedicated to meeting housing, food and other basic human needs and addressing the barriers to self-sufficiency.

## Story of Partnership

A huge thank-you to Kip's White Dog Inn, Badger Veterinary Hospital, and Humane Society of Southern Wisconsin for partnering with ECHO to assist with two homeless families and their four-legged friends. It really takes Everyone Cooperating to Help Others to find solutions to barriers to self-sufficiency. The families and ECHO appreciate the support you provided to their furry family members.



humane society  
of Southern Wisconsin



- 444 MONTHS OF RENT PAID TO KEEP FAMILIES HOUSED
- 119 PEOPLE ASSISTED DURING HOMELESS STREET OUTREACH
- 4,308 NIGHTS IN A LOCAL MOTEL FOR THE HOMELESS
- 3,463,485 MEALS PROVIDED

*Thank you for helping ECHO's mission of meeting housing, food and other basic human needs and addressing the barriers to self-sufficiency.*



# 2020 STATS

## Easter Baskets for children

ECHO will be packing and distributing Easter baskets to children who would otherwise go without during this most blessed holiday.

Items needed for the baskets are:

- ◆ Children's Easter baskets
- ◆ Individually-wrapped candy
- ◆ Plastic eggs
- ◆ Plastic basket wrap

Items can be dropped off at the ECHO Office during regular business hours Monday-Friday 9am-Noon or Monday-Thursday 1-4pm or by appointment by calling 754-5333. Please drop off by March 26.





## Virtual CROP Hunger Walk set for April 25

Janesville area walkers will help end hunger one step at a time on Sunday, April 25, when the annual event goes virtual for the second year in a row.

Instead of gathering together as a large group, walkers will participate in small groups because of the coronavirus pandemic and the need for social distancing.

Organizers hope to raise \$50,000 during the 44<sup>th</sup> annual Janesville Area CROP Hunger Walk. ECHO again will be the recipient of 25 percent of the total amount

donated. The remaining funds help the efforts of Church World Service (CWS), a faith-based organization that fights hunger and poverty in communities around the globe.

Last year's Janesville area walk raised about \$40,000 with a check of \$10,011.82 delivered to ECHO to help fight hunger locally.

The number of walkers participating last year was down considerably because of the pandemic, but Kathy Holcombe, event coordinator, hopes that more people will support this year's community walk. It is urgent that people continue giving to the CROP Hunger Walk, as the pandemic has increased the need for food and resources around the world.

"Our plan is to get people walking in small groups throughout the Janesville area," Holcombe said. "Please join us to help make a difference in the lives of our neighbors down the street and around the globe. Now is the time to give more than ever."

Walkers can sign up online individually or as a team at [www.crophungerwalk.org/janesvillewi](http://www.crophungerwalk.org/janesvillewi). Just click on "Register," fill in your details and you'll find lots of tools to help you get started. There is no registration fee to participate, but walkers are encouraged to collect donations to support the cause.

Team captains will be invited to participate in a virtual meeting via Zoom at 1 p.m. Sunday, March 7. They will learn strategies for increasing engagement and learn more about the work that the CROP Hunger Walk supports.

If you're not available to walk on April 25, consider making a tax-deductible online contribution 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.

For more information, call Holcombe at 608-752-8117 or email [janesvillecropwalk@charter.net](mailto:janesvillecropwalk@charter.net). You can also visit the group's Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/JanesvilleAreaCROP](http://www.facebook.com/JanesvilleAreaCROP).

**We send out info about ECHO via eblasts around twice a month. You can sign up by going to our website at [www.echojanesville.org](http://www.echojanesville.org) and clicking on the News/Event tab.**

## Welcome Spring Intern—Mahogany Gayle



Hello! I am thrilled to be a part of ECHO as a student intern from UW-Whitewater and to support their mission to help provide basic human necessities. I have always had a passion for serving and helping others; I am blessed to have this opportunity to work with people and an organization with the same passion. I originally heard of ECHO through staff and students from UW-Whitewater. After learning more about ECHO, I knew it would be a perfect fit.

My volunteer experience with various populations and settings has led me to my interest in social work. I was interested in learning more about homeless prevention and services due to Covid having a huge impact on our lives and community during this time. As for future plans, I would like to work for a year, then go back to school for my masters in social work.

# Fundraising 2021

By Dori MacFarlane

Imagine being hungry and living in a community where there's only one small pot of soup. The only way to get food for you and your family is to be creative and offer something meaningful to the chef, something that no one else has offered. You look around at the other hungry people wanting soup out of that same pot, and you're sad that you're competing with them, yet, you know that if you don't, your family will go hungry. This is how it feels fundraising for a nonprofit. We all seem to be competing for the same pot of money, and all of us are trying to get it by hosting the best dance, offering the best silent auction items, creating the cleverest event that will bring out the most community members. Fundraising isn't easy in the best of times. Now think about how that has changed since the world has experienced Covid-19.

In 2019, ECHO was so excited to be able to celebrate our 50th anniversary. We had a year of fun activities that led up to our big 60's themed soiree complete with local celebrities. We also hosted our annual Murder Mystery, our big band-themed dance with Ladies Must Swing, Girls' Night Out, Eat Out for Hunger, Empty Bowls and more! Our fundraiser committee ended 2019 on such a high note and looked forward to all of the fun events that we were going to plan for 2020. Our first event, the murder mystery, ended up being canceled by the performers, so our pre-Covid January fundraiser didn't happen. We decided we'd change things up and partner with JPAC and have a comedy night, complete with food trucks. We had already sold some tickets to Ladies Must Swing and were looking forward to a fun night of music and laughter. When the dreaded virus began to lurk around corners, we knew that we couldn't put our faithful donors in harm's way and quickly had to cancel plans and refund money. The fundraiser committee sprang into action, tweaking our fundraisers that were "tweakable", scrapping some and offering online auctions. Knowing that we couldn't even think about hosting Empty Bowls at Parker High School, some of our clever members came up with the idea of selling quarts of soup this year. We took a \$10,000 hit on that event alone. We were fortunate that Festival Foods still offered the Turkey Trot, and Holiday Express still happened, adapting by having a drive-up Santa. We still had our Eat Out for Hunger fundraiser, but again, took a \$3,500 hit, as people weren't really eating out.

Looking at 2021, we don't anticipate the opportunity to have a group fundraiser, at least not for the first three quarters. As of this writing, we don't know if we'll be able to host Empty Bowls in person. We are hoping to and will wait to see what happens. We are planning some fun events; check our website and Facebook to hear all about them. We will be hosting quarterly silent auctions and are planning a calendar raffle, where participants have a chance to win \$100 each week and \$1000 in December (tickets will go on sale in April). We are also working on a family fun event and will bring you the details when we get closer.

How can you help? You could: watch for and be aware of upcoming fundraisers, share our events on your social media, donate items to our silent auctions, bid on items, join the fundraising committee, and/or contribute to ECHO.

Being able to change and adapt to the times energizes our committee. We are dedicated to rising up and meeting the needs of our community. When you partner with us, you are helping your friends, your neighbors and your community in ways that you may never fully comprehend.



**ECHO is seeking volunteers  
for the Fundraising Committee.**

**Contact Jessica at [jlocher@echojanesville.org](mailto:jlocher@echojanesville.org)  
for more information about joining the  
ECHO Fundraising Committee.**

# PATH Program Introduction

By Joe Locher

Most people know that ECHO provides a variety of services including food, emergency lodging, and rental assistance. Over the past few years, programming has evolved to include a transitional living home, a housing navigator, and the Projects for Assistance in Transition from Homelessness (PATH) program.

Over the past two years, ECHO has been awarded PATH grant funding to have staff conduct street outreach to the community's homeless population and to provide case management. The primary goal is to work with those experiencing mental illness and assist them with access to services.

Whether it is raining, snowing, or the sun is shining. Hot or cold. Day and night! Staff will seek out those in need of personal care items, food, warm clothing, and shelter services. Twice each week, staff searches locations around Rock County where people have been known to stay to make contact and provide services. It is very common for people to make efforts to remain hidden from the public, so outreach often takes staff on an adventure into the woods. Often the individuals found on outreach do not trust services or the staff for quite some time. Each contact is one step toward building that trust.

Many of these individuals suffer from mental illness, have been through trauma, and may have a history of substance abuse. A combination of these barriers may cause an individual to be homeless for years and create additional health and legal issues that further prevent them from obtaining and securing income and stable housing. Through ECHO's street outreach efforts, staff is able to not only provide a few basic necessities and case management, but make important first contacts and advocate for their needs.

The PATH program and associated street outreach has been an important piece of the puzzle in the range of homeless and housing services to lead those in need into permanent housing and being self-sufficient. If you are interested in hearing more about this program and all of the other services ECHO has to offer, please feel free to give us a call or visit our website for more information and, when the world returns to normal, perhaps even ask for a tour.

## Daniel's Sentry "Funds for Friends" Program

Thank you to everyone who supported the "Funds for Friends" program. ECHO is blessed to have Daniel's Sentry on Court Street as a supporter of this program as we enter 2021. We are still in need of community support of this program. Please save your receipts from Sentry with a "Funds for Friends" sticker on each one. Mail or deliver the receipts to ECHO at 65 S. High St., Janesville, WI 53548. ECHO will receive 1% back based on the purchase price. Remember, you have to ask the cashier for the sticker. It is a good habit for 2021 when grocery shopping. Thank you again for supporting ECHO and the "Funds for Friends" program.



## DO YOU NEED THESE OR KNOW SOMEONE WHO DOES?

ECHO sometimes receives large donations of specific items that we or other local pantries cannot use. If you or someone you know can use the items below, please call ECHO at 608-754-5333 and see if we still have them.

- ◇ Diapers—sizes 1 –3



[www.facebook.com/  
ECHOJanesville](http://www.facebook.com/ECHOJanesville)

# Volunteer Take 5

Name: *Cathy Turner*

How long have you volunteered at ECHO?  
*3 years*

How did you get involved at ECHO?

*My husband and I had just moved to Janesville after my retirement and I was looking for volunteer opportunities to fill my days. Someone at my church suggested ECHO, so I checked into them.*

What do you do at ECHO?

*I started out in the pantry filling food orders once a week. Since the pandemic, I now come in 5 days a week and fill the bread bags that go out with each order.*

What is your favorite thing about ECHO?

*My favorite thing about ECHO is that everyone is welcome who wants to volunteer. No one is turned away— there is always some job that needs to be done. My next favorite thing is how nice everyone there is. Everybody is so welcoming.*

What is one thing about ECHO that surprised you when you started volunteering?

*I was surprised at the number of people that come to ECHO looking for assistance. I was also surprised at how much ECHO does for everyone, from food pantry to housing to searching out the homeless. They fill so many needs in our community.*



ECHO needs volunteers to help out weekly in the pantry to pack the food orders during the hours of 9am to noon Monday - Friday.

Please contact Fran at (608) 754-5333 if you would like to volunteer.

## ECHO Needs

Soup and Crackers  
Mac & Cheese  
Cereal  
Peanut Butter

Jelly  
Canned Meals  
Instant Coffee  
Feminine Supplies

We have homeless and hungry families in our community that need a roof over their heads to prepare food we provide.

**Will you please consider making a difference by donating to help those in need?**

\$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.

# Thank You!

**Thanksgiving Baskets** - Thank you to the donors and 50 volunteers who came out to help pack and hand out the Thanksgiving baskets. The Thanksgiving Baskets provided food for 659 people.

**Holiday Express** - Thank you to everyone that pivoted and drove thru the ECHO Holiday Express at American Family Insurance - Colleen Frentzel office, who also sponsored the event.

**Adopt-a-Family (AAF)** - Every year I am amazed at how grateful the clients receiving Adopt-A-Family are, as well as the donors who continue to adopt every year. This year two families and one donor stand out in my mind. Both adopted families this year had lost their homes, due to being out of work during the COVID-19 pandemic. One family was staying at a local motel; the other had to move in with family members. Although grateful they had shelter, both sets of parents thought Christmas would be nonexistent for their children this year. Christmas is a time for family, hope, and joy, and nothing beats the smile on a child's face when they open a gift Christmas morning. One of the donors, who always adopts a family in honor of her late mother was out of work this year due to the pandemic, but she still made a point to keep up her mom's tradition of adopting a family at Christmas. These are just a few of the stories shared with me. On behalf of the ECHO clients, staff, and board, we would like to say THANK YOU to the donors who call ECHO every year to adopt a family, as well as the first time Adopt-A-Family donors. With all the challenges everyone faced in 2020, our wonderful donors still came together to adopt 46 families. Your generosity makes it possible to continue this great program year after year.

*Tonya Frerichs, Client Advocate*

**Christmas Toys** - Many thanks to those who donated cash or gift cards to help provide a Christmas for 429 children in need with the Christmas Toy Program. Thank you also to the many wonderful ECHO elves who helped create goodie bags full of stocking stuffer items for each family to receive.

**Christmas Dinner** - ECHO would like to thank the volunteers who came to the Christmas Dinner and helped serve 638 meals. St. William Catholic Church graciously donated their space for the dinner. ECHO would also like to give a big shout-out to our chef, Jon Gordon, and his volunteers who made all of the yummy food. We are very grateful for the understanding of everyone as we pivoted to carryout and delivery only due to COVID-19. We hope to see you at the Christmas Dinner on Saturday, December 25, 2021 at St. William Catholic Church.

**Forward Janesville Ambassador Grant** - ECHO recently received a \$1,000 grant from the FJ Ambassadors to provide transportation services in 2021 for those in our Emergency Motel Voucher and Rapid Re-Housing Programs. Thank you FJ Ambassadors for your generous support.

**Noon Rotarian COVID-19 Grant** - ECHO received a \$2,000 grant from the Janesville Noon Rotary Club. The funds were used to purchase gift cards at Blain's Farm & Fleet for our Christmas Toy Program, which had to pivot to a safer method of distribution to due to COVID-19. Thank you Janesville Noon Rotary Club for your generous support of the Christmas Toy Program.

**Walmart Community Grant** - ECHO received a \$2,500 grant from the local Walmart in Janesville. The funds were donated to our Emergency Motel Voucher Program. Thank you Walmart for your generous support.

**Festival Foods Turkey Trot at Home Edition** - Thank you Festival Foods for sponsoring this amazing event! Even though we had to switch from an in-person event to an at-home event, it was a great event that has provided much support to our general services each year. We are so appreciative of being a part of this event with the Boys & Girls Club of Janesville and YMCA of Northern Rock County.

**MacFarlane Pheasant Farm #Giving Tuesday Match** - Thank you MacFarlane Pheasant Farm for providing a matching grant on #GivingTuesday (December 1). Over \$15,000 was donated, including the \$5,000 matching grant from MacFarlane Pheasant Farm. Thank you MacFarlane Pheasant Farm and everyone who donated for your generous support of our mission!

**LOOKING FOR A BIRTHDAY GIFT FOR THE  
PERSON-WHO-HAS-EVERYTHING?**

**THINKING ABOUT A MOTHER'S DAY?**

**WHAT ABOUT FATHER'S DAY?**

**WONDERING HOW TO CELEBRATE AN  
ANNIVERSARY?**

**WANTING TO COMMEMORATE THAT  
SPECIAL PERSON NO LONGER WITH US?**

**YOUR SEARCH IS OVER.**

An ECHO greeting/donation packet is available.

Each packet includes a postcard for the honoree or family, an envelope in which to send your donation to ECHO, and a form to send to ECHO with your donation so we can honor your special someone in our newsletter.

**You can pick cards up at ECHO,  
65 S. High St., Janesville, WI 53548**





## ***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.

Tim Banwell  
Theodore Batterman  
Arlene Bladhorn  
Margie & Frank Bley  
Robert Brandt  
Marlene Casey  
Walt Chapman  
Helen Close  
Margaret Cullen  
Wayne Dietz  
Mike Dow  
Alan Downing  
Don Eckert Jr  
Margie Enerson  
Rojean Erlien  
Ken Everson  
Donna Farley

Mary Jo Fox  
Marlene Fuller  
Don Guse  
Rocky Iverson  
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Brent Keep  
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Doris Schumacher  
Charlie Smith  
Mark Spangler  
Ginny Spors  
David Squire  
William Storer  
Jane Terry-Utynek  
Mike Terry  
Mike Thiele  
James & Norine Turner  
Joseph Viertel  
Ed Vopelak  
Roger Wakefield  
Patricia Wasserstrass

## ***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.

Matt & Danielle's Wedding  
Rhonda Armstrong  
Judy & John Bergman  
Ken & Dona Bolton  
Andy Brewer & Jesse Shorts  
Deb & Jim Brewer  
Elliott Brewer & Breana Sommers  
Margie & Larry Burdette  
Ben Burnett  
Jack & Kris Burnett  
Martha & Jack Burnett  
Sophie Burnett  
Hannah & Hailey Chady  
ECHO Board of Directors  
Nancy Hansen Bennett  
Steve & Laurie Hoyer  
Chris Isackson  
Grace Kowel Spoden  
Greg & Sandy Kraft  
Steve & Judy Latka  
Brett & Kelly Lipetri

Karen Lissner's Retirement  
Jessica Locher  
Monique, Chris, Zach & Oakley Lorson  
JT, Ellie, Peter, Anne & Isla McCrone  
Mo & Chelsea McCrone  
Skip and Sue McCrone  
Vince McKeown  
Andrea Morse  
Ron & Sheryl Oberle  
Sandy Peterson  
Kristie Rogers & Scott Pate  
Dorothy Smith's 97th Birthday  
Tony Smithson's Birthday  
Karen & Bill Spae  
Mike Terry & Jane Terry-Utynek  
Todd & Bruce Trader's Birthday  
Carol Turner  
Ike Williams & Riley Groves  
Nicole Williams  
Mike Wimmer

## ***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.)

# *Food and Fund Drives*

**Special thanks to the following businesses and organizations that held food, fund and other drives:**

All Saints Church	Jones Dairy Farm
Anytime Fitness	KFC
Aramark	Kids Against Hunger
Asbury United Methodist Church	Kennedy Elementary School
Beta Alpha PSI	Kwik Trip
Bimbo Bakeries USA	MacFarlane Pheasant Farm
Bird's Eye	Menards
Blackhawk Community Credit Union	Mercy Meals on Wheels
Brownberry Bread	Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church
Butternut Bakery	Mt. Zion United Methodist Church
Camping World	Nativity of Mary Catholic Church and School
Cargill United Methodist Church	NHA-WIC
Catholic Charities	Olive Garden
Chambers & Owen	Our Savior Lutheran Church
Church of Nazarene	Panera Bread
Contemplative Prayer Group	Peace Lutheran Church
Country Quality Dairy	Pepsi
Craig DECA	Premier Bank
Crystal Farms	Retired & Senior Volunteer Program
CVS Pharmacy	Rock County Jail Chaplaincy
Daniel's Sentry Food	Rock Prairie Presbyterian Church
Delta Kappa Gamma	Rotary Club
Dollar General	St. John Lutheran Church
E & D Water Works	St. John Vianney Church & School
Emerald Grove United Congregational Church	St. Mark's Lutheran Church
Faith Lutheran Church	St. Matthew Lutheran Church & School
Family Dollar	St. Patrick Catholic Church
First Baptist Church	St. Paul Lutheran Church & School
First Congregational Church	St. Peter's Lutheran Church
First Lutheran Church	St. William Catholic Church & School
First Presbyterian Church	Sam's Club
Gardner Bakery	Stop-n-Go
Generac	Sauk Valley Bank
Good Shepherd Lutheran Church	Schnucks
GSM Transportation	Seneca Foods
Hedberg Public Library	Skelly's Farm Market
Hendricks Properties	Texas Roadhouse
Hormel	Trinity Episcopal Church
Humane Society of Southern Wisconsin	Unitarian Church
Hunger Task Force - Milwaukee	WCBVI
Janesville Family Dental Care	Walmart



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## **ECHO Calendar of Events**

- ◆ **3/30-4/1 Children's Easter Basket Distribution** – at the ECHO Office
- ◆ **4/25 CROP Hunger Walk**
- ◆ **6/7 Eat Out for Hunger** –  
All day at participating restaurants
- ◆ **8/20 School Supply Distribution**
- ◆ **10/23 Empty Bowl Soup Fundraiser**
- ◆ **11/20 Thanksgiving Basket Dist.** –  
at the Rock Co. 4-H Fairgrounds



Important  
**DATE!**

**Monday  
June 7**

**GO GREEN.**  
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Way**



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