

2020 started off with our cabbage & smoked sausage luncheon. We welcomed AARP into our building for their tax classes and updates for the upcoming tax season. We held a Medicare class here at the center. Many Seniors were able to ask question and receive answers about Medicare. At the end of January, we celebrated Chinese New Year with several yummy Asian dishes.

In February AARP was here preparing taxes free for our Seniors and others in our community. We give the Seniors Steak and potatoes at no cost to them for a Valentine`s luncheon with help from our sponsors. We were able to give 20 of our Seniors a double feature movie with free lunch included courtesy of our sponsors as well. We welcomed Medicare in to host bingo and answer any questions the members may have.

We got the news on March 13th from our Mayor, that we had to close our doors to the public due to a virus that hit our City and State. We started that day calling our Seniors to inform them of the news. As we made those calls, we started hearing many express concerns about getting food from the stores. After a long weekend we knew a game plan was needed to help our members and any Senior citizen that needed help in our City. After a deep cleaning of our building (which is still

done every day) we started calling Seniors to let them know we would do the shopping for them if needed. Running into food shortage meant we had to come up with a secondary plan. We started calling our friends like, Carmelina at Napoli Villa, 1st choice carpet cleaning, Wendy's, Fazolis, Chik-fil-a, Bubbaz, Shallos and Dairy Queen, to ask if they would donate a hot meal to the Seniors that needed help. We had thirty-seven Seniors at this point that needed help. As days past our list grew. While one of us was at the stores shopping for Seniors that had cash to do so, the other was out picking up and delivering free donated food to Seniors. The food storage was real and so were the bellies that needed the food. We had 50 lb. bags of flour and yeast from a fundraiser that was supposed to happen before or shut down, so we put it to use. We started making loafs of bread for those Seniors, and we made sure to keep our first responders in mind as well.

By the middle of the year, we had a routine down. We were picking up breakfast, lunch and dinner meals from the B.G.H.S and delivering twice a week. They were giving us enough food to feed the high-risk Senior citizens for all seven days of the week, three meals a day. We were delivering 2,250 meals a month at that point, along with daily shopping trips for other Seniors that needed help. Most of our Seniors citizen`s children

are seniors themselves, so the help we gave their parents was much appreciated.

We opened the doors back up on July 1st. We had to get a new routine down that included daily cleaning at or center. We stopped getting meals from the school and started taking those who wanted to go to the store to do their own shopping a ride. We continued shopping for those who weren't able to go out due to health reasons and just plain fear of the public.

As fall arrived, we knew our regular festivities were not going to be possible, and many of our Seniors were not going to be with their family's this holiday season. We decided to once again to turn to our school system for their great tradition of giving free Thanksgiving meals to Beech Grove residents. However, that quickly changed due to the high numbers of Covid-19. We reached out to MCL cafeteria and order meals for Seniors. We along with help from our friends, delivered eighty-six meals to Seniors that night. As Christmas approached, we were able to get ninety-three Christmas dinners and scarfs sponsored. We had a small number of helpers to help us deliver those meals, so we reached out to our very own BGPD and they did not let us down. Chief Maurice sent reinforcements to help us get the job done.

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2020 Transportation report

Jan 2020	Feb 2020	March 2020	April 2020	May 2020	June 2020	July 2020	Aug 2020	Sep 2020	Oct 2020	Nov 2020	Dec 2020	Total
103	135	66	33	36	54	67	67	78	78	70	72	859