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Smiles all around at August Food Giveaway



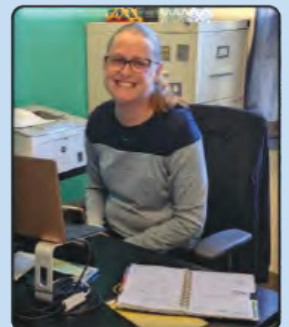
Welcome TCRM's new office manager, Rachel Cron

Lifelong Tioga County resident Rachel Cron joined TCRM in early August after 16 years working for other nonprofits.

The mother of two high school students, Rachel knows what it's like to need help from time to time: She made use of TCRM's food pantry when her children were young.

Rachel says she's glad to find work that allows her to interact with people. She recently met some of the teens who had received money from TCRM for new school clothes. Seeing how excited they were with their purchases made Rachel's day.

"I really like to help people," she says.



Geared up for the new school year



Teens say thanks for clothes-shopping trip

There used to be times where I absolutely *dreaded* going to school because I was scared I would get picked on for wearing the same clothes so often. Now I'm actually excited to go and to be able to switch up my style.

Brooklyn, 17

Thank you so much for everything you do for me and my family. I loved going shopping! I love everything I was able to get. The lady who took us was so sweet. I'm thankful for her as well. I'm so excited for school because I get to wear my new clothes.

Ethan, 15

Thanks to the person who donated the money. This really meant the world to me. I love the clothes I got; they make me so happy. My new shoes make me feel super confident.

Ivy, 13

It is a really great program for high school students like me to be able to buy clothes. Thank you so much for helping my family.

Braden, 13

My experience was great. I learned how to budget my money the proper way.

Makenzie

Vouchers bring fresh produce to our neighbors' tables

What a blessing to be able to buy fresh fruit and vegetables.

Frannie

We are in our 80s and 90s and always cook with fresh vegetables. The vouchers are deeply appreciated.

Hildegard

Our family has enjoyed trying new vegetables.

Jerusa

This program blesses a lot of folks like us in such hard times.

Frannie

This really helps me to eat healthier.

Charlie



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In Memory of:

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Amidon, Helen
Baylor, Doris
Belle, Vincent
Bouton, Gerald
Bradley, Imogene
Caratelli, Philomena
Carlson, Casey



In Honor of:

Donations were made in honor of the following:

Franz, Dick
Short, Shirley



Your donations sent
14 young people
to Mapleridge Ranch
for some summer fun.
Thank you!



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Name _____
 Address _____
 City _____
 Phone _____
 E-mail _____

If you are interested in receiving TCRM's newsletter by e-mail,
 please check here: _____

Please check the amount of your donation:

__ \$10 __ \$25 __ \$50 __ \$75 __ \$100 Other _____

Thank you very much for your contribution. All donations will assist
 us in our outreach to the poor, sick and elderly of Tioga County.

Please return this form with your donation to:

TCRM, 143 North Avenue, Owego, NY 13827

WAYS YOU CAN HELP

___ Pack holiday food for seniors and/or those who are homebound on one of
 these Fridays: Nov. 14th or Dec. 12th, at 10 AM.

___ Deliver holiday food to seniors and/or those who are homebound on a
 Friday, Nov. 14th or Dec. 12th, at 12 PM.

___ Transport Toys for Tots toys via truck from Nichols' site to VFW –
 Dec. 9th, afternoon.

___ Transport TCRM toys via truck to VFW/set up tables on Wednesday, Dec.
 10th, at 8:30 AM.

___ Help sort toys into age-related groups on Wednesday, Dec. 10th, 9-10 AM at
 the VFW.

___ Help on Thursday, Dec. 11th, Toy Distribution Day, 9:30-1 PM at the VFW.

___ Bake 6 dozen holiday cookies for Holiday Cookie Sale, Saturday, Dec. 6th, at
 the American Legion.

Name _____

Phone _____

Email _____



Take a break from holiday baking!

TCRM's annual
 Holiday Cookie Sale
 is set for 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
 (or until sold out)
 on December 6 at the
 Owego American Legion,
 236 Front St.
 Come hungry!

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