



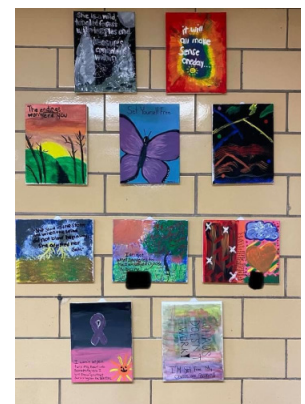
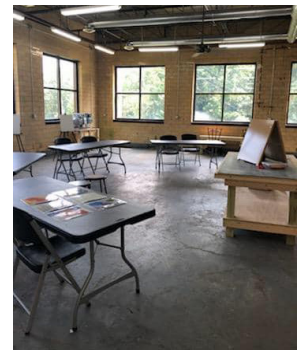
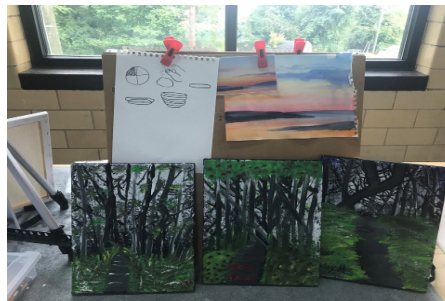
Safe Harbor
of Northeastern Kentucky

The Anchor Newsletter

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Art Studio Providing Therapy and Healing for Survivors

The newly renovated art studio has been essential for survivors during the pandemic. Our art studio advocate, staff, and volunteers have been providing groups and classes on various art, teaching survivors different techniques and ways to express themselves through art. Some of the survivors have found they really enjoy art and are pretty good at it. Some of the art groups have been focused on pottery, water color and oil painting, embossing, sewing, and other craft groups. The art studio is meant to be a beautiful space for survivors to create, learn and decompress. If you or someone you know is interested in volunteering to teach classes, please call 606-329-9304.



From the Desk of Ann Perkins, Executive Director

It was a pandemic Christmas and all through the night, not a creature was stirring because we were all quarantined and asleep in our beds. Non the less the community, our staff, and clients woke up to a wonderful miracle that happens every year. So many individuals, businesses, agencies, gave to our families and showered them with love, affection, and toys galore!

Everything from decorations, food, toys, clothes, came through our doors for over a month. There was wrapping paper, games, toys lining our offices and out of reach for our children until Santa came (in the form of the wonderful Richard Hughes). He has brought comfort and joy to our children and their mothers for the last several years. He is jolly and plump with a suit that is so authentic. We take pictures with him and the children for keepsakes for our families that many have never had before. We have a huge dinner where we social distanced in groups who lived together. It was different, but it was good. Many thanks to all those wonderful souls who donate to our program each year to make our Christmases something truly special. We are forever grateful.

Not to take away from our new art studio, we were able to provide clients with the opportunity to make decorations they can take with them when they depart. This studio has been a godsend. Through the pandemic, we have quarantined our clients, and this has been a huge outlet for them to learn to sew, make pottery, paint, make crafts, and just relax. If you are talented and want to teach a craft or an art class, contact Tiffanie Buckner at 606-329-9304 and she will get you lined up to teach. We do require a vaccine if working with our clients though, and masking is mandatory.

On another note, we normally have our Cornerstone Awards in March, but because of the pandemic we are postponing this event until most folks can be vaccinated. We will keep you posted on the date when we know something.

We are becoming creative in how we are working in the community. Normally we are in all the area schools teaching dating violence, Hands Are Not for Hitting and our Green Dot program. Instead, we have been producing videos and virtual classes that we can take to the schools via virtual learning.

Looking at the bright side and the good things we have accomplished is how we are able to be optimistic about our future. It has taught us how fragile life is, how we need to take care of each other by wearing our masks and being socially distant. This is hard when we want to wrap our arms around our family, friends, and clients to give comfort and healing. We have realized isolation is not a good thing and we need to keep in touch however we can safely. We need to check on our loved ones. We can drop off food for those not able to cook. We can help with groceries and shopping if someone does not know how to navigate the internet or have a car. We can visit from a distance outside when the weather is good. My wish and my prayer are for everyone to get vaccinated as soon as possible. We know from the research vaccines work. We have saved millions of lives in the last 50 years from polio, TB, smallpox, mumps, measles, rubella, shingles, and pneumonia, just to name a few. Being afraid to get it can kill you. Listen to the experts, tune out the nay sayers. Statistics do not lie. Our researchers know the work that has gone into this effort. They are urging us to care for ourselves and for others by being vaccinated. When you are able, get your vaccination. Your vaccine can save you and your community.



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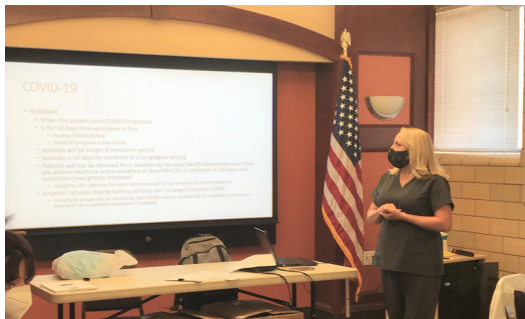
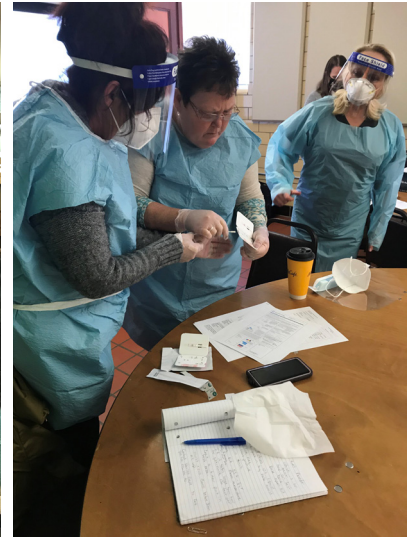
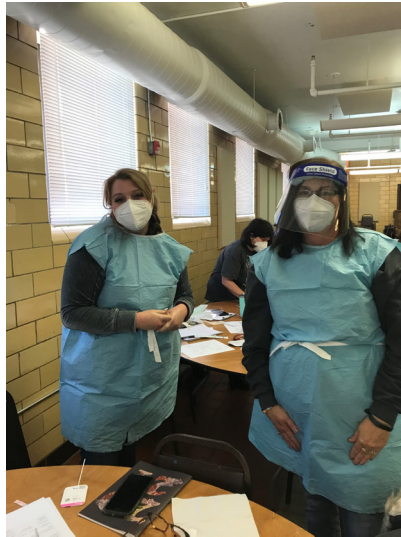
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Keeping Survivors Safe!

Our staff always goes above and beyond to make sure the survivors are always safe from their perpetrators, but now we are keeping them safe from COVID-19 too. We have taken extra precautions during the pandemic including staff and survivors wearing mask, making our group sizes smaller, sanitizing and cleaning more often. We are providing transportation for them when they need to go to necessary appointments instead of riding the city bus. Before survivors are able to come into the shelter they are placed in a hotel for two weeks and tested. Ten of our staff were recently trained in doing the Rapid COVID testing by the Gateway Health Department so we can test staff and survivors on a weekly or bi-weekly basis and get results quickly.



New Americorp Member joining Staff

We would like to welcome Pam Oldham, our newest Americorps member, Economic Empowerment Specialist. She will be working with survivors one on one helping them achieve their financial goals, including how to save money, budgeting, and improving credit.



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Pictured above is Garrett Carroll with Midnight Society Tattoo Shop who does an annual toy donation drive for our children at christmas.



Pictured above are two employees at the Cash express old Rt.60 location with the Christmas donation drive for Safe Harbor.



Christmas toys donated from Bellefonte Country Club Ladies Golf Association

Mission Statement:
 Safe Harbor of Northeast Kentucky is dedicated to eliminating domestic violence through prevention, education and intervention.

Christmas at Safe Harbor

Christmas was a little different this year but there was still lots of holiday cheer with so many wonderful donations of all kinds. Our community continues to show that they are here and they support survivors of intimate partner abuse. The members of Raceland First Assembly of God donated a special Christmas dinner for our families. It's a good thing Santa has elves throughout the FIVCO ADD. Safe Harbor houses and provides direct services to 150+ women and their families daily. It is because of our gracious donors that we have been able to assist our residents in providing Christmas for their children. We are extremely thankful for the businesses and individuals, who offer this support through hosting a toy drive, such as Pollock's Jewelers, Cash Express, Midnight Society Tattoo Shop and those that adopt a family through the CARES Giving Tree. Staff and survivors dressed up during Christmas week and we were still able to have our Survivor Christmas luncheon.



Staff participating in ugly sweater day during Christmas week.



Thanks to Richard Hughes for playing Santa for our children during our Survivor Christmas luncheon.



Center pieces made by survivors for our Christmas luncheon



Pictured above left, Ann Perkins, executive director, with Myrna Hill from Vesuvius USA, who donated hams for Christmas. Pictured above right is Safe Harbor cook, Stephanie Callicoat with pies that the community donated from Blazers.



Our Case Manager, Kaylee Haney and Transitional Program Coordinator, Stephanie Brandon with Santa at our Survivor Christmas luncheon.



Pictured left is Rene Fitch, assistant cook, with a member of Raceland First Assembly of God, who donated dinner to survivors.

Safe Harbor will provide a free tax service this year. Please call Beth Lunsford at (606) 329-9304 for more information.

Please remember Safe Harbor in your will.
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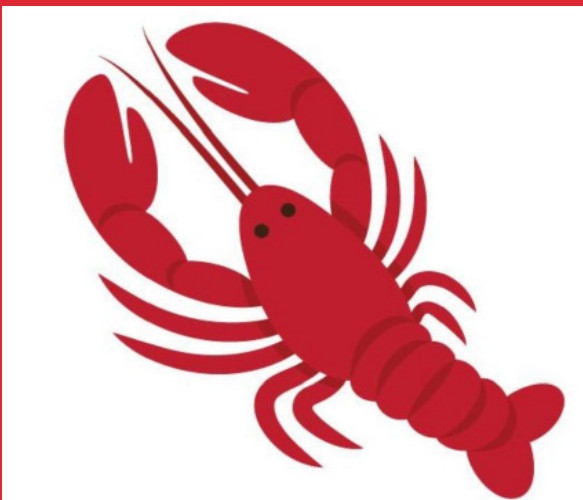


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