Columbus Chapter Basic Needs

Run the Race Program

**Timing, duration, frequency of program**

When does the program occur Mondays and Wednesdays during the school year.

**Fiscal Information**

A meals cost on average $2.50 per child. The 350 summer bags total cost of $620 (approx. $1.80 each) and the Lunchables $1.00 per child.

Budget: None prior to 2020. Now there is possibility of partial reimbursement. Mostly member donation or in kind with special events like Christmas, Easter etc.

**Partnerships**

Run The Race operated by The Brian Muha Foundation. It is a Christian based safe place for children in need

If yes, list name(s) of all partner(s)

What role does your partner(s) have in the program?

**Clients**

Number of children/families served your last fiscal year: Regular meals (3,900), Holiday meals (200), Haunted Farm Lunchables (350), Summer Farm Bags (350), Summer Camp (400). Total 5,200 children being fed annually.

Age range of clients served: 4-12

**Volunteers**

How many volunteers participate in this program (planning and working) 66

What roles do the volunteers have in this program? Preparing weekly meals, holiday meals, summer bags and summer camp. Volunteers shop for the food, prepare the food and deliver the prepared warm meal to the Run the Race Center between 2:30pm and 3:45pm. The summer snack bags were filled one day in May and delivered to the Run the Race Farm summer camp.

**Program Description**

Overall goal of this program: to feed hungry children

What service/materials do you provide to your clients? Healthy homemade meals

Christ Child provides warm homemade dinners to young school aged children twice a week on Monday and Wednesdays during the school year. There were a total of 63 meals served for 60 children (Easter, Thanksgiving and Christmas were special meals and served between 100-150 children each). During the summer, volunteers prepare 350 bags of snacks to take to the Run the Race Center to be used at the farm where the children go during the summer. This year for the first time we also provided 350 Lunchables for Halloween and at the summer camp farm prepared 400 snacks.

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