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to all our sponsors, golfers, and donors. Together, we raised more than \$88,000 at CRT's 21th Annual Meals on Wheels Golf Classic, helping seniors stay healthy and safe.





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ENA RODRIGUEZ

PRESIDENT AND CEO



September 14, 2022

Dear Friends and Fellow Golfers:

It is my pleasure to welcome you to CRT's 21st Annual Meals on Wheels Golf Classic at Tunxis Country Club.

This is always such a fun-filled event and a key fundraiser for CRT's Meals on Wheels program, now in its 50th year. Meals on Wheels feeds 950 seniors daily throughout Greater Hartford and central Connecticut.

Established in 1963, CRT is the oldest community-action agency in Connecticut. It is also one of the largest non-profit providers of human services in the state. In addition to serving healthy meals to seniors age 60 and over, the agency also provides a wide range of programs that address vital community issues, including housing, unemployment, education, mental health services and healthcare.

Though the Meals on Wheels program is partially covered via federal funds, CRT incurs expenses to purchase new trucks, cover repairs, maintenance, gas and a portion of food costs. Our goal this year is to increase the fleet of 20 trucks to better serve our vibrant, yet vulnerable, seniors. The cost to fuel our fleet per month is approximately \$7,600, a 22% increase from last year. The cost for vehicle maintenance is \$69,600, a 30% increase from last year.

This program was one of the most dramatically impacted by the pandemic and inflation. So, we are very thankful to all who are supporting the mission. The success of our golf tournament/ fundraiser directly affects our ability to keep the seniors nourished, safe and living independently.

The tireless efforts of our 75 program–staff members and 220 volunteers are very much appreciated! Also, special thanks for the generosity of our sponsors and other supporters. We are projected to raise over \$80,000.

A full list of sponsors is available in this book. Please note the businesses who purchased ads to help support the program. It's great when we can support local businesses who value giving back to their community.

Have a fabulous day of Golf and Giving!

We look forward to seeing you again next year.



ABOUT US CET

OUR MISSION

"PREPARING OUR COMMUNITY TO MEET LIFE'S CHALLENGES"

As the designated community action agency for both Hartford and Middlesex Counties, the Community Renewal Team (CRT) is dedicated to helping people take steps toward healthy and economically stable futures.

We help everyone who comes to our door with resources for both immediate needs and longer-term goals. Since 1963, our 501(c)3 nonprofit organization has partnered with local elected officials, providers, funders, businesses, and the community to address challenges like hunger, homelessness, unemployment, and poverty.

Together, we increase access to education, affordable housing, mental health services and much more for thousands of individuals and families throughout Central Connecticut every year.



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FOR MORE THAN 55 YEARS,

the Community Renewal Team (CRT) has been hard at work changing the lives of the people we serve, helping them to create positive opportunities with long-range impact. We connect individuals and families to the right resources, programs, and services --both our own and that of our partners -- to help resolve urgent needs, provide critical support when people are in crisis and empower people to take the correct steps that will lead to opportunities for success.

CRTs single-minded determination to help every person who arrives at our door has driven us to encourage systems change. We listen to the concerns of our communities throughout Central Connecticut — from Enfield straight down to the Long Island Sound. We identify and develop innovative models to offer services to under-served populations and create connections with other community based providers to augment our diverse range of programs and services.

In 2021, CRT served 20,181 households and over 40,526 individuals throughout Central Connecticut. CRT's core service area covers all of Hartford County and Middlesex County.

GET INVOLVED

For questions about our programs or to find out more about getting involved, contact Ilana Bernstein at development@crtct.org or call (860) 560-5657.

ABOUT MEALS ON WHEELS



Every day, CRT's Meals on Wheels program helps seniors in Central Connecticut remain healthy and independent.

Meals on Wheel's mission is to help seniors remain healthy while maintaining their independence.

The recipients get a hot, nutritious meal around noon, and a cold meal for the evening (if they wish) on every weekday. Weekend meals are delivered chilled on Fridays. CRT provides therapeutic meal options, for those who may have high blood pressure, diabetes, or other health issues.

We use a fleet of 20 customized Food Delivery Trucks. Our team of employees depend on over 220 volunteers daily.

Over 1.100 are delivered to about 950 home-bound seniors and

lunches are served to an additional 430 seniors in social group setting that we call Community Cafés. There are 32 Café

Locations throughout Central Connecticut.



CARING FOR SENIORS COMES WITH A HIGH PRICE TAG

Our Elderly Nutrition programs are partially funded through federal support. Additionally, as our costs increase, the rate of federal reimbursements does not keep up, leaving the need to fundraise to cover the difference.

Although no one is denied a meal if unable to donate, a \$3.00 donation per meal is suggested to help cover costs. We receive an average donation of \$1.03 from the clients we serve.

The average cost of food and paper goods has increased by 23% from last year.

The distance our fleet travels weekly, 6,600 miles, is the same as twice the width of the United States. and 344,000 miles annually. The cost to fuel our fleet per month is approximately \$7,600, a 22% increase from last year. The cost for completing the requisite maintenance is \$69,600, a 30% increase from last year.

YOU CAN HELP

Donations to CRT's Meals on Wheels Golf Classic help purchase a new custom delivery truck.

Over the past 21 years, through the generosity of the donors and participants of this annual Meals on Wheels Golf classic, each year we have been able to purchase one new custom delivery truck. With the already strenuous miles put on our trucks, plus the increasing need among seniors, it is more urgent than ever to raise enough funds to purchase an

additional truck.

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REGISTRATION

9:00 AM

Collect golfer gifts, warm up at the driving range or putting green, and don't forget your raffle tickets!

Don't forget to pick up your boxed lunch at the Meals on Wheels Delivery vehicle near registration.



SHOTGUN START

10:00 AM

4-person scramble format. Enjoy the fun contests and games out on the course! Grab some free pizza from the New Haven Pizza Truck on the course near hole #16. Enjoy a beverage or snack from the CRT snack carts that will be driving around while you play.



NETWORKING & DINNER

3:00 PM APPROXIMATELY

Have a drink and some appetizers at the Pavilion while networking with fellow CRT supporters/golfers.
Buffet Dinner will be served after all the foursomes finished their round of play.

Raffle Prize and Contest winners will be called during dinner.

SCHEDULE

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HOLE #1 CANNON BALL \$10.00

Launch the Dart Golf Ball down the 300+ yard fairway to compete for closest to the PIN. There will be a 12 foot eagle putt set up on the green. If your ball lands closer, you putt from there. The individual who gets closest to the target wins a gift card to the pro shop.

HOLE #4 CVS HEALTH | AETNA HOLE-IN-ONE CONTEST *FREE

The individual who gets a hole-in-one win's \$5,000 cash!

HOLE #5 DICE DICE BABY \$5.00

The goal is to get 100-yards to the hole! If any one of the golfers rolls a 6, all will putt from the 100-yard marker to the hole! If everyone in your group donates \$5 each. You will have 4 chances to roll a 6. If everyone donates \$5. Everyone will automatically tee off from the 150-yard marker!

HOLE #6 CLOSEST TO THE WINE (LINE) MEN'S / WOMEN'S FREE

Hit your drive closest to the line in the middle of the fairway. The closest golfer wins a case of wine!

HOLE #11 LONGEST DRIVE MEN'S / WOMEN'S FREE

The golfer with the longest drive wins! The golfer with the longest drive wins! There is a marker on the ground somewhere between the tee and the hole. If you hit beyond the marker, you move the marker to your ball and add your name to the list to record the location. The golfer who has moved the marker last at the end of the day wins. All golfers are eligible. The contest is on the honor system. The last group playing the hole brings the marker back to the clubhouse.

HOLE #13 CHARITY GOLF INTERNATIONAL DONATE WHAT YOU CAN



Charity Golf International's Pro will make a drive for every team that is playing – there is no obligation to make a donation for this score advantage. However, a donation of any amount must be made in order to enter the Dream Golf Getaway contest.

The further the Pro hits their drive, the greater the odds are of your team winning their Dream Golf Getaway to Pebble Beach, California! Once you have donated, each foursome will have four chances (1 chance per golfer) to hole out from Charity Golf International's drive from the fairway – a Hole in 2 wins it!

The golf getaway, a \$5,000 trip, includes American Airlines airfare for two, two nights at The Pebble Beach Lodge, and 3 rounds of golf (Pebble Beach Links, Spyglass Hill, and Spanish Bay). Winners may also subsitute Spa or Dining Credits for golf.

HOLE #16 CLOSEST TO THE PIN MEN'S / WOMEN'S FREE

The golfer who hits the ball closest to the hole on the first stroke wins!

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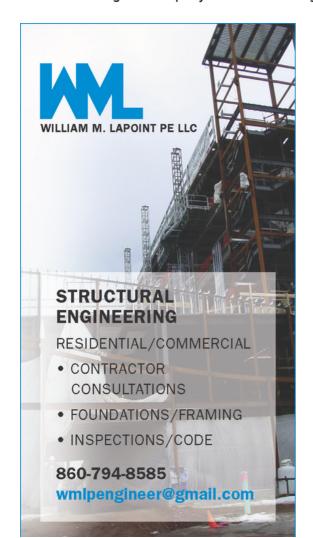
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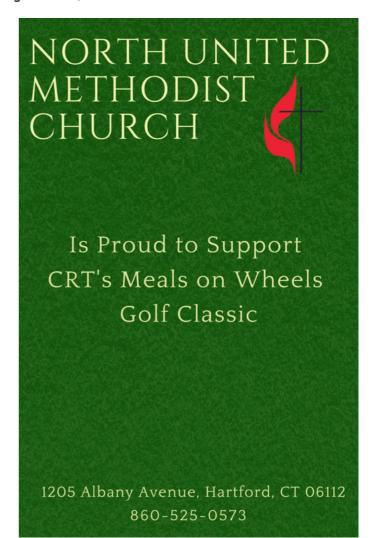
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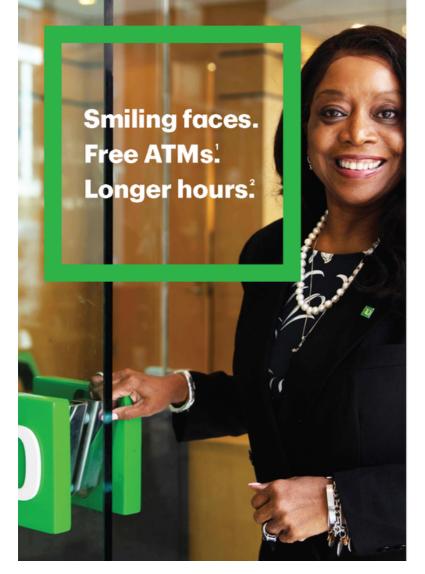
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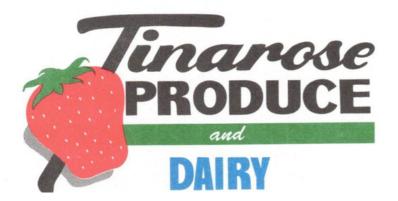
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