



SISTERS *of* CHARITY FOUNDATION  
OF CANTON

*Celebrating 20 Years of Focused Intentional Giving*

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## **Introducing our new website!**

The Sisters of Charity Foundation of Canton has redesigned its website, in order to offer seamless access to our application process and concise, transparent information about our funding priorities. We hope you will find the new site informative and easy to navigate.

As we celebrated our 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary, we felt it was time to integrate into our website our grantmaking strategies and ensure that the site reflects our values and vision.

While our grantmaking has evolved over 20 years, and will continue to change in the upcoming year, the lesson the Sisters taught us remains the same: it's not about the transaction, it's about the experience. We believe long-lasting impact happens when communities, families, and individuals are invested and have opportunities to flourish.

We hope you will take a moment to check out the new [sfcanton.org](http://sfcanton.org) and join us in celebrating 20 years of focused, intentional giving.

## Minerva Students Receive Grant Money to Help Buy Coats for Students in Need

Minerva elementary, middle school, and high school students became servant leaders this past winter. The Sisters of Charity Foundation awarded Minerva schools a *Servant Leaders* grant to support the purchase of coats, gloves, and hats for approximately 300 local children in need. Older students worked alongside younger ones to pack and distribute the items throughout the community, ensuring that hundreds of Minerva children would have a very warm winter indeed.



## Plain Local Schools: *KidsKare Holiday Workshop*

The Plain Local community has been hit hard by economic setbacks in recent years. For the holidays, Warstler Elementary School hosted a KidsKare workshop to allow local children (from kindergarten through eighth grade) to create two gifts for family members without having to spend money.

A Sisters of Charity Foundation *Servant Leaders* grant supported the purchase of giftmaking supplies, wrapping supplies, refreshments, and marketing materials. GlenOak High School students orchestrated the event, from planning to marketing to helping the more than 75 participants create their gifts. They were driven by the motto *in giving, we receive*. Through this event, they hoped to make the holidays just a bit brighter for the children and their families.

## **Sandy Valley: *Boo at the School***

Sandy Valley's *Boo at the School* is an annual fall family event offering music, candy, activities, decorations, and dinner. Because Sandy Valley's rural homes are very far apart, traditional trick-or-treating isn't an option for many families. This event allows the entire community to celebrate in a safe, fun environment. It's a widely attended event for such a small school district: over 1,000 residents attend every year.



The high school National Honor Society and Choir Club students spearhead event planning, prop designs, and activities. It's hard to tell who is having more fun: is it the high school students running the program, or the children attending in their costumes?

The props and supplies made possible by a Sisters of Charity Foundation *Servant Leaders* grant brought last year's event to a whole new level. The inflatables, fog machine, backdrops, photo booth, and colored lights can all be reused each year.

## **GRANT APPLICATION PROCESS WORKSHOP**

Participants will learn about our grantmaking strategies, proposal guidelines, and application process. Foundation staff members will be on hand to answer questions.

**Tuesday, September 12, 2017 9:00-10:30 a.m.**  
**First Floor Conference Room**  
**400 Market Avenue North, Canton, Ohio 44702**

To register, please contact Trudy Brown at 330-454-5800 or [tbrown@scfcanton.org](mailto:tbrown@scfcanton.org)



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