



seeds of change

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Gritty City Registration OPEN!

Lace up your sneakers and get ready to run or walk for a noble cause! Our third annual Gritty City 5K Run/1 Mile Walk is a way for you to make a difference in the community.



Join us at LMM for a morning of fitness and fun for the whole family! If you're a runner and love a good competition, there will be an awards presentation. Not a runner? That's okay! You can support LMM by walking the 1 mile route or by donating! WKYC is a proud media sponsor of Gritty City, and a Channel 3 personality will get you warmed up and kick off the run/walk. Make sure you head back inside for post-run activities and food!

Individual and team registration is now open at lutheranmetro.org.



For questions or to become a sponsor, email GrittyCity@lutheranmetro.org.

We look forward to seeing you at Gritty City 2018 in the St. Clair Superior neighborhood!



**Friday, October 12
4-6pm**

Optional run packet pick-up and tour of LMM's Richard Sering Center.

**Saturday, October 13
8am Registration,
9am Run/Walk**

5K Run/1 Mile Walk at LMM, followed by post-run activities including music, food, crafts, and local vendors!

4515 Superior Avenue
Cleveland, Ohio 44103
Free parking available
across from LMM



Tables are set for Spice's Plated Landscape event at Edgewater Park Beach.

Restaurants 'Spice' Up Giving Efforts

In the span of just one month, Lutheran Metropolitan Ministry has been the beneficiary of proceeds from events at three different Cleveland-area restaurants. All three eateries are LMM savor veteran restaurants who kept with them a piece of LMM's mission after meeting participants.

Spice Kitchen & Bar is known for their farm-to-table menu and their commitment to growing locally. They're also known for their commitment to helping the community. In addition to their restaurant, they operate Spice Farms in Cuyahoga Valley National Park and recently hosted one of their amazing Plated Landscapes at Edgewater Park. LMM was invited to speak at the event and a portion of their proceeds from the evening was generously given to LMM.

Great Lakes Brewing Company (GLBC) is always brewing up good and invited LMM to be their featured nonprofit for their Giving Monday initiative. On Giving Monday, staff encouraged customers to have a pint with a purpose, meaning \$1 from every pint sold that day went to LMM's programs. Patrons also spun an LMM swag prize wheel as they learned more about LMM.

Butcher's Pantry reached out to LMM the day their restaurant was broken into. After the initial shock of being robbed in the overnight hours, they turned a corner in the afternoon when they decided to turn a negative into a positive by giving to LMM! A special menu was prepared and community members came to support the business as they re-opened later that week, and 10 percent of every sandwich sold was donated. Butcher's Pantry owner Taylor Steinhoff says he has often thought of LMM since participating in savor, and knew he wanted to find a way to partner with the agency again. For him, this was the time it needed to happen. "We quickly realized there are people in our city who need money, guidance and support more than we do and it didn't take us long to decide to partner with LMM since their whole goal is to lend support to those people in need."



LMM Swag Prize Wheel is up and running at Great Lakes Brewing Company.

Guardianship Gets Boost Through GIVE65

LMM's Guardianship Services was selected to participate in Home Instead Senior Care's GIVE65 program this year. The 65-hour event from July 10-12 was an online, charitable giving platform aimed at inspiring greater giving to nonprofits serving seniors.

Last year alone, LMM provided 19,477 hours of guardianship. The funds raised on GIVE65 will help LMM continue to provide legal guardians to serve as concerned, caring advocates and surrogate decision-makers for indigent adults who cannot care for themselves. Our guardians in Cuyahoga and Lorain counties look after the emotional, social, financial and physical well-being of these vulnerable members of our community.

Thanks to our donors who helped us raise \$2,480, which is eligible for matching dollars! When you GIVE65, you get an invaluable "thank you" by seeing advocacy and care in action.

LMM is currently recruiting volunteer guardians and we hope you'll contact us at 216.696.1132 to become one of our treasured advocates.



Henriette celebrates her 101st birthday with LMM Guardian, Karyn Seeger.

Holiday Donation Needs

Each holiday season, LMM has a number of high-demand items for participants and residents, including both necessities and gifts for those who otherwise would not receive anything for Christmas. If you'd like to donate, please go to lutheranmetro.org for a full list of requested items. Men's Shelter donations can be dropped off directly at 2100 Lakeside. For all other donations, please call the Richard Sering Center at 216.696.2715 to make arrangements for delivery. When you call us in advance, we can ensure that someone will be available to accept your items when you arrive. Please mark for which program your donation is intended. You can also call the Richard Sering Center if you'd like more information.

Give a Lasting Gift

Have you thought about what you want your legacy to be? Consider a gift that will keep giving for years to come.

One of the easiest ways to change lives with your generosity is to provide an estate gift to LMM through a charitable bequest. By declaring your intention to include Lutheran Metropolitan Ministry in your will, you make a commitment to providing a brighter future to the oppressed, forgotten and hurting in our community. Throughout LMM's history, many of our donors have made bequests that continue to fund critical programs and services beyond their lifetimes.

Adding LMM as a beneficiary in your estate plans is simple—often, it's just a matter of adding a single sentence to your will. If you'd like to plan such a gift, please talk to us. Kate Maver, Director of Development, will be honored to assist you. She can be reached at 216.658.7204 or kmaver@lutheranmetro.org. If you're considering an estate gift, please accept our thanks. Your compassionate generosity will change the lives of the people we walk with in their time of need.



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To promote shalom (peace, well-being) and justice (right relationships) through a Christian ministry of service and advocacy with those who are oppressed, forgotten and hurting.

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9am

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