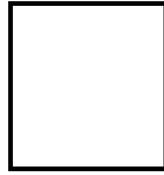




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Providing Warmth Over the Winter Months

During the winter months, OneHolyoke CDC facilitated pop-up warming shelters in partnership with the City of Holyoke, and with the help of several community partners, to keep homeless individuals safe from freezing temperatures. The initiative was initially launched in January in anticipation of dangerously cold temperatures over one weekend, and due to the overwhelming need and success of the initiative, the shelter reopened several times when cold temperatures or winter weather was expected. Nearly 30 homeless individuals were served and kept safe during the first weekend, more than double the number of people initially anticipated, and cots, bedding, dry clothing, PPE, food and coffee were all available for those who visited. Pop-up shelters were held at the Flats Community Building and at Providence Ministries.

The warming shelters were made possible in part through a grant of \$25,000 provided by the Community Foundation of Western Massachusetts, along with several individuals and organizations, including Mayor Joshua Garcia; City of Holyoke Emergency Management Director Jeff Trask; OneHolyoke CDC Executive Director Michael Moriarty; Jennie Adamczyk of Providence Ministries; Theresa Nicholson of Center for Human Development; and Matt Peterson of Mt. Tom Masonic Lodge. The shelter's organizing team was assisted by: Holyoke Fire Department; Holyoke Police Department; Holyoke Health Center; Holyoke Medical Center; Tapestry; Behavioral Health Network; R&S Cleaning Service; Iglesia Rescatando Las Ovejas Perdidas Inc.; Capri Pizza; Domino's Pizza; and Ocean State Job Lot.



Keeping Holyoke Clean!



OneHolyoke CDC kicked off its citywide KeepItClean2K22 campaign, an annual initiative to clean Holyoke's streets, on Earth Day, April 22. Every fourth Saturday of the month through September, volunteers gather at the Flats Community Building

on Canal Street for supplies and clean up the neighborhood. OneHolyoke CDC partners are also encouraged to host their own cleanup events.

OneHolyoke CDC also partnered with the Mayor's office to lead the city's annual Citywide Trash Cleanup Day on Saturday, June 25. OneHolyoke CDC has taken a leadership position in cleaning Holyoke streets for the past four years by organizing weekly clean-ups from Spring to end of Summer.



OneHolyoke Marks 50 Years in the Community



OneHolyoke CDC has used this 50th Anniversary insignia on communications to celebrate the milestone.

OneHolyoke CDC (formerly Olde Holyoke Development Corporation) was formed in 1971 as a Model Cities Community Development Corporation, serving only the Flats neighborhood and continuing the work of a discontinued federal Great Society program. In the organization's 50th year, we celebrate the creation of over 160 new homes in the Flats, Churchill and South Holyoke neighborhoods, the rehabilitation of hundreds of apartments, and thousands of home improvement grants to homeowners. OneHolyoke is continuously dedicated to our mission of improving housing for low- and moderate-income Holyoke residents.

OneHolyoke Partners with UMass to Provide Home for Holyoke Resident



Thanks to the generous donation of the "Hygge House," OneHolyoke CDC will ensure that a newly constructed 350 square-foot, net zero modular house will become the home of a low-to moderate-income Holyoke resident. A design/build project for students of the UMass Building Construction & Technology Program, the Hygge House - named for the word Hygge, "a quality of coziness and comfortable conviviality that engenders a feeling of contentment or well-being" - was

started by a group of students and instructors in 2020 but was postponed due to COVID-19. The project was completed in June 2022 and was donated and delivered to OneHolyoke Community Development Corporation in July to identify a resident for the newly-constructed home. The house features a living room space, kitchen space, a bathroom and bedroom. Stop by to view the house at 2 Middle Street!

Nayrobey Rosa-Soriano Selected for NeighborWorks Strong Leaders Pilot Program

Nayrobey Rosa-Soriano, Director of Community Engagement and Resident Services, was selected to be a part of the NeighborWorks Strong Leaders Pilot Program. Rosa-Soriano is one of 20 participants statewide chosen for this nine-month program, and the only participant from Holyoke. The NeighborWorks Strong Leaders Pilot Program seeks to build the capacity of community development corporations through mentoring, training, and peer-to-peer learning.

Rosa-Soriano joined OneHolyoke CDC in 2019. She engages in different aspects of community work, including the organizing of neighborhood circles, cleanups and events to engage with the Holyoke community, and also provides support to an elderly residential building.



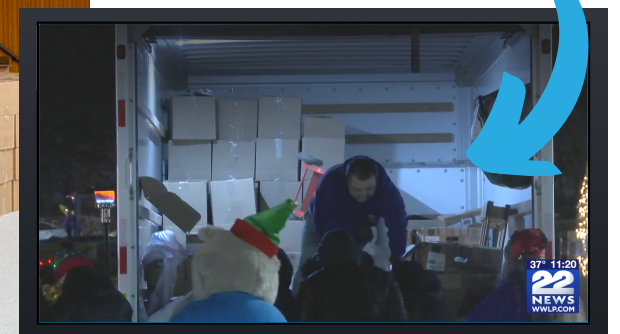
STAY TUNED!
Our 2022 Community
Dinner will be in
mid-December!

Annual Holyoke Community Dinner

OneHolyoke's sixth annual Community Dinner was held as a winter wonderland-themed, socially-distant event at the Kelly School. For the second year, the event was transformed for members of the community to drive up to receive free food boxes containing all the fixings for a classic Latino holiday dinner, and there were beautiful displays of lights and ice sculptures. More than 500 boxes of food were given to Holyoke families. There was also a Holyoke Health Center vaccine clinic. Thank you to all the sponsors who helped make this annual event possible.



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OneHolyoke Continues Efforts to Get Holyoke Vaccinated

OneHolyoke CDC continues to emphasize the importance of getting vaccinated against COVID-19 as well as sharing information and resources to keep our community safe. Through funding from the Massachusetts COVID-19 Community Grants Program, which is administered by Health Resources in Action (HRIA) in partnership with the Massachusetts Department of Public Health, OneHolyoke has provided many pop-up vaccine clinics throughout the year, including at the Flats Community Building and Key Foods; Personal Protective Equipment (PPE); and information for the community. A designated web page on OneHolyoke CDC's website, oneholyoke.org/stay-safe-holyoke, provides resources, blogs, and videos for the community, along with links to find out where to get the vaccine and where to get tested.



Community 5K Walk Held

OneHolyoke CDC held its second annual 5K Walk & Roll on August 27, 2022. This year's walk emphasized the oneness and importance of community. Thank you to those who walked with us, our sponsors, PeoplesBank, HG&E, Valley Opportunity Council and Key Foods, and our many community partners who worked together to organize this event.

OneHolyoke Receives \$100,000 CITC Award

OneHolyoke CDC has received \$100,000 in Community Investment Tax Credits (CITC) from the Baker-Polito Administration, one of 51 organizations to leverage \$9.5 million in tax credits. The CITC program enables CDCs and CSOs to increase their fundraising capacity and expand programming for low- and moderate-income residents, including small business support, community development efforts, art and placemaking initiatives, affordable housing preservation and development, youth programming, and more.