

Rock House Kids wishes you a very Merry Christmas 2016 and a hope-filled New Year of 2017!

Thank you for the support and prayers you have provided this year! We hope you will continue to stand along side us and watch us grow!



**JANUARY**

Kids received blankets to keep warm because of you! Boots help too!



**FEBRUARY**

Our kids are receiving school help here at Rock House!



**MARCH**

Over **8,000 meals** were served this year!



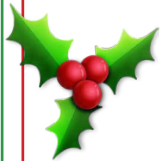
**APRIL**

Kids appreciate new socks



**MAY**

Summertime means flip flops galore! We gave out hundreds!



**JUNE**

Kids rely on the kid friendly food bags given out each night of programming!



**JULY**

Donated new & used bikes are given out helping with transportation.



**AUGUST**

It's back to school-you helped with backpacks and school supplies.



**SEPTEMBER**

We distribute toothbrushes and paste many times throughout the year.



**OCTOBER**

Kids need shoes to go to school! Thanks for your help with shoes, shoes & more shoes.



**NOVEMBER**

Winter Coats, hats, scarves and gloves are passed out!



**DECEMBER**

The kids favorite time of year is Christmas! Our volunteers gave 8,775 service hours to provide a warm, safe and nurturing environment.



We THANK YOU for making a difference in the lives of the children!



# Holiday Greetings!

As this year comes to an end and I reflect back, I am awed by what God has done for Rock House Kids. He has used you, our great supporters and volunteers, to be a blessing for Rock House Kids. This year, we have been able to feed over 8,000 hot meals to hurting and hungry kids. We started 17 years ago with one child and now are able to instill the love of Jesus in over 275 children each week, provide positive relationships with caring adults, distribute basic life essentials as well as kid friendly food take home bags. This helps them to know a difference from what they see in their every day routine. They will have the ability to grow up and make a positive difference here in Rockford. We are changing this community **one child at a time**. We do not receive government funding, so your support of physical and monetary donations are truly appreciated. We are blessed and grateful to be moving forward in 2017. Our plans are to improve our building to reach more children. So at this time of warm thoughts, I would like to wish you the best Christmas and the happiest New Year.

Dola Gregory, Founder and CEO

## THANK YOU FOR YOUR WONDERFUL SUPPORT

Donations received from **October 11 through November 10, 2016**

### PEBBLES

M.W. McLamarrah  
Ann M. Ingram  
Barbara Lenihan & Gregory Koroll  
Beth Eden United Methodist Church  
Betty M. Steiner  
Catherin & Gerald Bloyer  
Charles & Stella Schroeder  
Cornerstone Family Church  
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D.R. & Judith Sullivan  
David & Rebecca Poirier  
David Knoblock  
F. William & Christina Gissa  
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Girl Talk - God Talk  
Gloria & Gerard Visel  
Grace Teslik  
Heather Garrison  
Holly Wirth  
Homer Troy  
Janice Cooper  
Jean Edie  
Jehangir Mistry  
Jerry & Nancy McDowell  
John & Candy Wolf  
John & Halana Debo  
John and Karen LeRette  
Karen Duerst  
Karen Yakel  
Karl & Jacqueline Sundby  
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Nancy Houtz

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Stanley McCord  
Stephen & Judith Greef  
Steven & Cyree Hornbeck  
Thomas & Lillian Vola  
Timothy & Julie Fetters  
Timothy & Mary Sather  
Virginia Hamlett  
Virginia Mullin  
Yvonne Parker

### STONES

Abundant Grace Church  
Amber & Wes McClendon  
Bob & Dixie Jonas  
Carole Anderson  
Chad & Paula Ruff  
Donald & Judith McCause  
First Congregational Church  
First Evangelical Covenant Church  
Flora Community Church  
Gary & Jeanny Foster  
Giuseppe Verdi Auxiliary  
Goodrich Foundation

Immanuel Lutheran Church  
James & Willa Hendricks, Sr.  
Jerome & M. Gail Daleiden  
Joanne Henry  
Joseph & Marie Stachnik  
Kathryn Conrad  
Kevin & Barbara Adams  
Kevin Bergdall  
Kilburn Ave United Brethern Church  
Leroy & Judith Layng  
Liberty Ministries  
Margaret LaForge  
Mark & Bonnie Williams  
Mary Van Camp  
Michael & Deanna Lacny  
Mosaic Rockford  
My Friend's Closet Thrift Store  
Our Savior's Luthern Church  
Pamela Anderson  
Patricia Hagman  
Phillip & Ferol Labash  
Phyllis Schmitt  
Red Hats  
Riverside Community Church  
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Timothy & Bonnie Wait  
Vincent & Ericka Sheely  
W. Kyle & Colette Anderson  
Walker Trust  
Webbs & Mary Norman  
Westminister Presbyterian Church

### BOULDERS

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Bradley and Georgann Gummow  
Family Foundation  
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Virginia Harting  
Virginia Sharp

### MEMORIALS

Beverly Smith - Bernice  
Hawkinson  
C. Eugene Elliot - Geri Mackey  
Carl & Shirely Carlson - Geri Mackey  
Gary Carlson - Geri Mackey  
Gregg & Marilyn Shigley - Geri Mackey  
Karen Duerst - Geri Mackey  
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Geri Mackey  
Rockford Postal Employees  
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Suzanne & Larry Hopps -  
Mary Mullane  
The Thaliens - Geri Mackey

## SO SWEET

Rock House Kids would like to thank all of those who attended our *Streets and Sweets* Fundraiser on November 3, 2016. We are grateful for the support we received during this event.

## SPECIAL UPCOMING EVENTS

**Sunday, December 11th** Scoopie Day at Culvers, 236 N. Phelps Road, Rockford, IL from noon to 3 pm. Come & enjoy a good time and great food!

**Sunday, December 17th** Christmas Concert with Ehipany! Enjoy the sounds of Christmas held at Grace United Methodist Church, 3555 McFarland Road, Rockford, IL beginning at 3:30 pm. No admission but free will offering. Rock House Kids Mime Team will be performing!

## WE APPRECIATE ALL THE HARD WORK PROVIDED BY THE FOLLOWING THIS YEAR:

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And all of our hardworking staff and volunteers!

We look forward to a prosperous 2017!