



October 2022

DAYLIGHT

Happenings at St. John Center



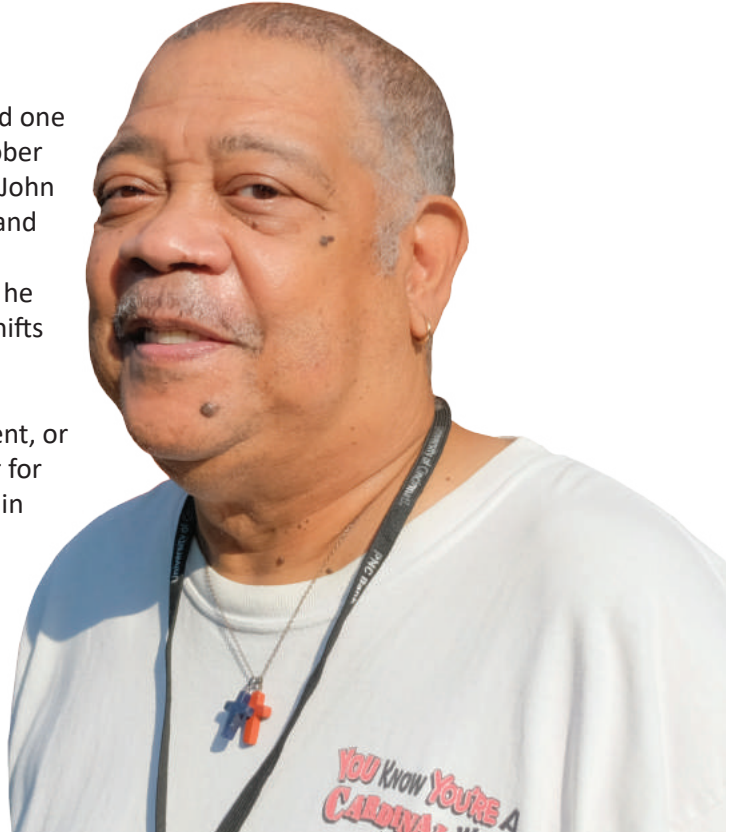
AWARD-WINNING VOLUNTEER

Every volunteer at St. John Center is a star.

And this year, the WLKY Spirit of Louisville Bell Awards recognized one of St. John Center’s star volunteers at their annual event on October 6th. Thomas Bowman has been a fixture at the front desk of St. John Center for over 20 years. He welcomes guests, hands out socks and other supplies, helps guests get their mail and make phone calls, and pretty much pitches in to help in every way he can. To date, he has logged over 6,000 volunteer hours – often working several shifts a week.

Over the years, Thomas has not let ice storms, or cancer treatment, or a global pandemic stop him from coming into SJC. “As a teacher for over 20 years, I knew how important it was for kids to have men in their lives,” said Thomas. “So when I retired, I want to continue to make a difference. And I can do that here.”

The annual Bell Awards is a celebration of “the spirit of caring and compassion throughout our community.” At St. John Center, we witness that spirit every day in our volunteers, and we join enthusiastically in the celebration of our own Thomas Bowman.



St. John Center Wish List

- Laundry detergent
- Disposable ponchos
- Bleach for laundry
- Reading glasses

For more information, contact Jim Fulkerson at (502) 398-3505 or jfulkerson@stjohncenter.org

Thank You!

Thank You! The St. John Center Family has really been showing up in solidarity with this mission. We had a great gathering at West Sixth NuLu in August. And THANK YOU for the ways you responded to Give for Good 2022 in September!





COMING BACK TOGETHER - RAISIN' THE RENT 2023

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RAFFLE

Tickets will go on sale on **January 16th** at **12:01 AM** and be available until **March 3th** at **midnight**. The live drawing will take place on **Saturday, March 4th, 2022** at Raisin' the Rent.



VIRTUAL HOUSE PARTIES

Even if you can't come to the event in person – Virtual House Parties give everyone a chance to be part of Raisin' the Rent. To host an online Virtual House Party, contact Jenn Young at jyoung@stjohncenter.org or **502-398-3495**.



SILENT AUCTION

The traditional Raisin' the Rent silent auction will be available on-line and at the live event in 2023. You can bid on quality auction items between **February 26th** at **12:01 AM** and **March 4th** at **8:30 PM**.



COMMUNITY CELEBRATION ON MARCH 4 AT 6:30 PM

Tickets will go on sale on **January 16th**. We are so excited to see you there!

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Meet Our New Neighbor!



In May, St John Center gained a new neighbor. After almost two years living on the streets, Eric moved into St. John Gardens, an apartment building right next door to St. John Center. In fact, Eric moved back in to the very same apartment he had occupied two years earlier. "I had a lot of memories there," he said. Eric experienced a few bumps in the road that left him living in an encampment, where he reconnected with St. John Center. After some work with our Housing Counselors, he was moving back to a familiar setting. "Right away," he said, "It felt like home."

Moving home