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Serving the Communities of Shelby County with the Love of Jesus.

## **Bright White—a Fresh Clean Look**



The SCCO/Hero's Attic building received a much-needed facelift this summer thanks to a grant from our friends at the Community Foundations of Southwest Iowa. Stop by and admire our fresh, clean new look. And while you're here, you can browse our everchanging inventory of affordable used home furnishings and appliances!

Policy Change: Beginning January 1, 2024, we will no longer have a Payment Plan option. All Hero's Attic Furniture, Appliances and Restore Items will need to be paid for In Full at time of purchase, and arrangements made to remove them from the building soon thereafter. This will free up much needed space and allow us to accept more donations. Thank you for your understanding.

## 17th Annual Golf Fundraiser

Our 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Golf Tournament Fundraiser took place on August 15th at the Harlan Golf and Country Club. Thanks to all who played on a team and/or Sponsored this year's event. It's a fun way to be a big part of SCCO's fundraising success, which in turn helps us with our Home Repair Ministry, Bridging the Gap Ministry, and so much more. We appreciate your support!



## It's a Win-Win-Win Situation!

At Hero's Attic we often have what we call a "60% Off Share Sale." During these sales, six food pantry donation items brought in to Hero's Attic equals a 60% discount on one furniture or appliance item which translates to huge savings for our customers. It's also a big win for the West Central Comm. Action Food Pantry because it helps stock their



shelves, <u>and</u> it's **a win for SCCO/Hero's Attic** because we often need to reduce our inventory when our space runs short. During the months of July and August we collected nearly **600 pounds of food for WCCA!** Thanks for 'sharing to save' at Hero's Attic.

## **Backpack Ministry Report**

Thank you to all who donated funds and/or volunteered to help distribute backpacks, along with gift cards for school supplies, for the 2023 school year.

This year **162 children, representing 63 families,** received backpacks that were donated by the Salvation Army. Monetary donations were divided among the children who were signed up for the program according to supply lists. Donations came from **many private donors,** businesses and area churches including:

Fareway Stores, FMCTC, Monogram Prepared Meats, Altamont Women's Mission Society, Congregational UCC and United Methodist Mission Church, Faith Family Church, First United Methodist Church, Harlan First Church, Harvest of Hope Church, St. Michaels Church, St. Mary's Church—Portsmouth, St. Paul's Episcopal Church, and Kirkman United Methodist. This is wonderful team effort for a very worthy cause.

—Grow Another Row—A project of Shelby County Master Gardeners

Share what you can; Take what you need. This food sharing concept is spreading across the counties of western lowa thanks to the efforts of the local Master Gardeners who know that people with gardens often have an

abundance of fresh produce to share. They are creating places, such as this produce stand next to our SCCO building, where fruits and vegetables can be brought and left for others to take, free of charge. Likewise, if you see something you need, take it. We love this concept. Let's try it!

