

Council Report – December 2022 Community Affairs Department – Jessica Wyke

Giving Tuesday, 11/29, all day

Groveport Transportation, Groveport PD, and the elves from Town Hall partnered to make this year's Giving Tuesday tons of fun! Lt. Short and Ofc. Herrera took the morning shift and passed out 45 gift bags to residential homes. Groveport Transportation picked up Town Hall staff in the afternoon and shuttled them to Greenfield Place and Senior Village where a total of 100 bags were handed out. Greenfield Place residents had a surprise visit from Santa (Chief Adams) and a special reading of the Night Before Christmas by Cristy Duckworth. Chief Adams also joined the fun at Senior Village to deliver the remaining gift bags. This year's bag included a calendar, word search book, small notebook, gloves, tissues, lip balm, lotion, hard candy, and a snowflake dish towel.

Heritage Holiday, 12/4, 3pm – 6pm

Live music on the main stage and an iceless skating rink were the new additions to Heritage Holiday this year. Also new to the event was Paddock Pub who handed out hot beverages and cookies from the concession stand.

*Big compliments go out to the Parks workers for the seamless setup of the event and all their hard work transforming the park into a beautiful holiday light display.

2022 Gratitude

As the year comes to an end, Town Hall would like to thank the following folks for their help/support/donation/participation in City events:

Chief Casey Adams and the Groveport Police Department Groveport Public Works, Parks & Facilities Chief Derek Robinson and the Madison Twp. Fire Department Terri Christensen Groveport Moose Lodge 1245

EXCITING NEWS!

Thank you to Mayor Westcamp for introducing Groveport Town Hall to BHE GT&S during the 4th of July planning phase. BHE GT&S is a Berkshire Hathaway Energy Company who gives back to communities by investing in projects that fall in one or more of their five pillars of focus: environment, community enhancement, art & culture, education & STEM, safety & wellness. BHE GT&S has awarded Groveport Town Hall a grant in the amount of \$10,000 for the Little Learners Children's Museum!

<u>Little Learners Children's Museum Grant:</u>

Children learn best through imaginative play and hands-on activities. This program will provide children an interactive, playful and educational environment by creating a pretend town. The pretend town will be a place of exploration and wonder for toddlers and small hands. It will have both interactive exhibits and imaginative play areas for children ages 2 - 6. Examples of play areas are a doctor's office, dental office, grocery store, veterinarian, fire department, campsite, barn, gas station, and post office.

The funds will be used to support this project by purchasing authentic child-sized, durable structures that allow real-life, interactive experiences for children, accessories specific to each play area, and misc construction materials.

10 structures = \$6000.00 Accessories = \$3000.00 Construction Materials = \$1000