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Holiday Gifts for Clients from Elkhart Mayor and Knights of Columbus

ELKHART, Dec. 9, 2020— On Dec. 12, Council on Aging will host its largest giving season by handing out gift cards and goodie bags from community figures to those who need it most.

Come this Saturday to see Council on Aging clients light up as their Christmas season gets a little merrier. Council on Aging’s parking lot will turn into a drive-thru for our wonderful clients who need a little extra cheer during this difficult time. Between 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m., Knights of Columbus will be generously handing out 75 gift cards that will undoubtedly mean the world to their recipients. In previous years, this program was a multi-organization food box event, but has since adjusted for COVID-19 and has chosen COA clients to be the sole recipients of gift cards aimed to help seniors with their more specific needs. At 10:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m., Elkhart Mayor, Rod Roberson, will be handing out Martin’s gift cards and volunteer-assembled goodie bags filled with health and safety supplies including hand sanitizer, a mask, and more. The goal is to keep our local clients safe, healthy, and cared for in as many ways as possible.

“We’re so honored to be the only Agency receiving these gifts on behalf of our clients, as we know their needs are great during this difficult time,” said David M. Toney, CEO. It is vital to protect those in the community that are most vulnerable, and these donations show them how much this community cares about their well-being. With each gift card given, a client will be able to worry less and enjoy a little more of their Christmas. With our safety protocol as our number one priority, Council on Aging of Elkhart County eagerly awaits this year’s event, with gratitude for both the Knights of Columbus and the Mayor for their participation.



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About Council on Aging of Elkhart County

Since its incorporation in 1975, the Council on Aging of Elkhart County’s mission has been to maintain and enhance the quality of life of all seniors and the disabled within Elkhart County through Transportation, In Home Care, and Life Enrichment. For those we serve, the aging process has inherently decreased their capacity for mobility, physical strength, vision and mental acuity as well as increased their need for medical care. Our services are designed specifically to bridge the gap created by these

diminished abilities, to provide the functional tasks one can no longer perform on their own, and to allow clients to achieve wellness, dignity, and independence. As the only area agency providing this array of services solely for the aging and disabled population, we ensure care is available throughout the county and regardless of financial ability to pay. For more information go to www.elkhartcoa.org.

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