

Cherry Street



Youth Center

Newsletter
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MISSION

STATEMENT:
Cherry Street Youth Center, Inc., is an ecumenical ministry formed to help children develop spiritually, emotionally, physically, and academically within their community.

We fulfill our mission statement and share love with the children by being positive influences in their lives and by offering classes in Bible, character, art, computers, physical education, reading, math, social skills, anger management, drug awareness, cooking, music, and more!

We are a non-profit, faith-based youth center. Our focus has been to share the love of God through Jesus Christ with the elementary-aged children in Chanute by providing them with a safe, secure, and fun place to go after school that offers a wide variety of learning experiences and opportunities.

Grow, Grow, Grow

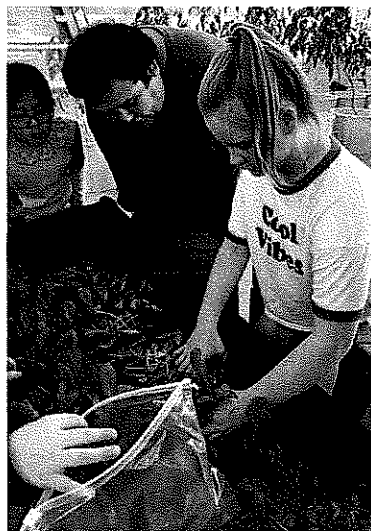
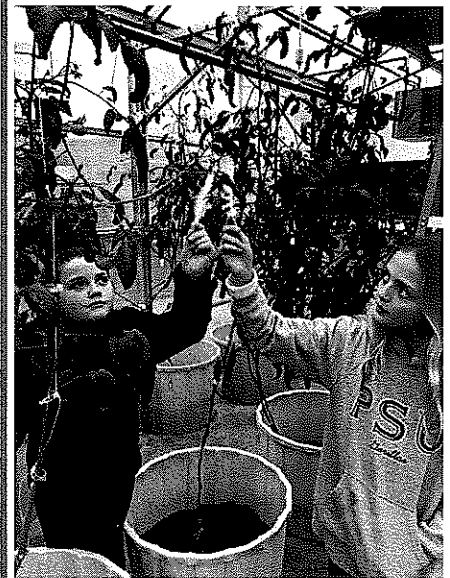
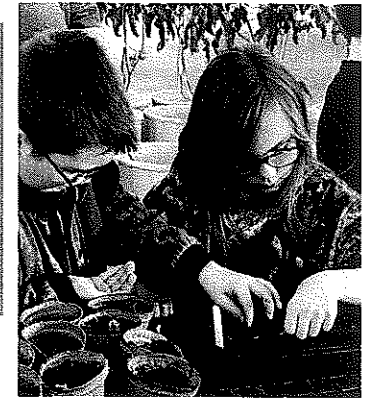
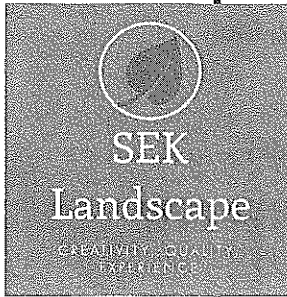
We are so excited about what's growing in our greenhouse! We have had some trials and errors but we have green things growing!

Our West students have been able to sample and even take home some fresh lettuce grown by their own hands. They have learned the process of cutting the lettuce to allow it to grow back.

Our children have been pollinating our tomato plants by hand using feathers. We have carrots growing and the children have started some cucumber plants.

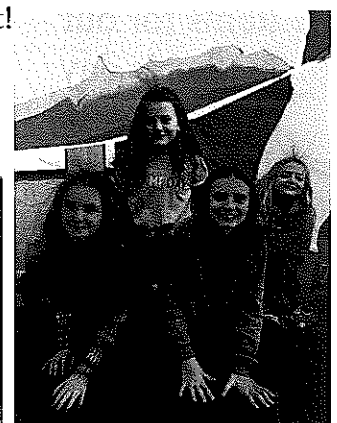
They are also planning our garden. They have learned about rotating where we plant certain vegetables to allow for the most nutrients in the soil. They are choosing flowers and vegetables that will be in the garden. They have also started some seedlings in the greenhouse that will be used in our garden this spring.

We are very fortunate to have some advice from Chris Wehlage with SEK Landscape here in Chanute. I am so happy to share that the wonderful people at SEK Landscape are donating the soil we will need in our greenhouse!



Winter Fun

Ever feel those "winter blues"? Kids can get it too. The staff here at Cherry Street plan activities for the children that can keep them engaged and having fun. We learn about God's love for us. We have activities to get them physically moving, our reading teachers and volunteers are creative in their approach to reading to help children find joy in the books they read. In STEM class and Garden class our children are learning life science and are using their math skills nearly every-day. They learn things like the right PH levels of the soil and water to the ratio of oil and water needed to create their very own lava light!



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Warehouse Happenings

Coming back from Christmas break has been refreshing! We welcomed back several of our 7th grade girls from basketball season and now a few of our boys are not attending regularly because they are playing basketball. We are so happy that our kids are active and involved in school sports and activities.

Our Warehouse kids have been discussing love, especially those who are difficult to love. Luke 6:27-30 has been their focus. Loving your enemy can be tricky in middle school! Turning the other cheek?!? Many adults can't love like this. It is encouraging that these kids are learning the scriptures to look at when they are dealing with the many difficulties of life.



Items needed at the Centers this month

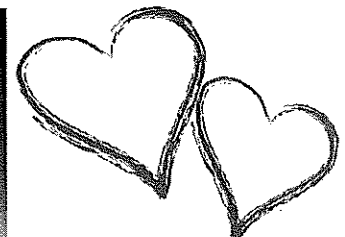
- Bean bag chairs or Large floor pillows
- Red, pink and white construction paper
- Valentine stickers



Happy Valentines Day!

We are accepting new and gently used items for our mother's day store. Please drop them by 710 N Forest.

Thank you for all the donations of household supplies. We were able to help each family just a little bit this past Christmas season. Items we need for Christmas 2019 baskets: dish soap and tooth paste.



West students in Bible class inserted prayers into balloons, prayed over them, then released them to heaven.

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