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**WESLEY COMMUNITY SERVICES MEALS-ON-WHEELS DRIVER RECOGNIZED  
FOR BEING A GOOD NEIGHBOR**

**GOING ABOVE AND BEYOND FOR GREATER CINCINNATI SENIORS**

**Cincinnati, Ohio.** Since joining Wesley Community Services as a Meals-On-Wheels driver eight years ago, Westwood resident Mike Arey has provided summertime favorites from his garden to senior citizens in need of extra assistance.

“Mike’s dedication to seniors in our community has shown through since his first day on the job and he has developed lasting friendships with seniors who themselves enjoyed gardening, cooking and canning” said Stephen Smookler, Executive Director, Wesley Community Services.

The seniors on Mike’s route agree! They enjoy reminiscing with Mike about the good old days when they used to grow home grown vegetables. Westwood resident Estelle Chapman, at 101 years young, stated, “I have enjoyed eating tomatoes since I was a little girl and with Mike’s tomatoes no salt shaker is required.” Cheviot resident Janet Graydolf, who enjoys tomatoes with fresh cottage cheese or tuna fish stated, “Mike sure has a green thumb and goes above and beyond to help me take out the trash and do errands - he is truly an angel.” Lastly,

Westwood resident Virginia Guard is a big fan of cabbage and tomatoes and stated, “Mike’s tomatoes and vegetables are just as sweet as he is.”

The entire Wesley Community Services family enthusiastically exclaims, “Hats off to Mike Arey for his dedication and service to Greater Cincinnati seniors – thank you.”

Wesley Community Services seeks to foster and support the independence, dignity and functioning of elderly individuals, including those who are low-income, who seek to remain in their home for as long as possible. Wesley Community Services provides Home Cleaning Services, Meals-On-Wheels, Medical Transportation Services, and Pet Portions Program (free pet food for client pets). Wesley Community Services is a provider of services to seniors funded by the Council on Aging of Southwestern Ohio and is a United Way partner agency. For more information about Wesley Community Services Meals-On-Wheels program call 513/661-2777, or visit their website at [www.wesleycs.org](http://www.wesleycs.org).

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