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### **Wesley Services Organization Receives 500 Holiday Gift Sets**

Thanks to 21 thoughtful teens and young adults from Starfire Council of Greater Cincinnati, 100 residents at Lincoln Crawford Nursing and Rehabilitation Center and 400 Wesley Community Services Meals-On-Wheels clients will receive a beautiful holiday goodie bag full of treats and personal care items. Financial support is being provided by Hyde Park Community United Methodist Church Community Service Fund. Starfire works to overcome the isolation of teens and adults with disabilities by teaching them life skills that help them become more a part of the community. Service projects constitute an important part of the program. "Our seniors are delighted to receive these festive holiday gift bags" says Reverend Stephanie Tunison, Chief Executive Officer, Wesley Services Organization, parent organization for Wesley Community Services and Lincoln Crawford Nursing and Rehabilitation Center.

Gio Boeing, Program Coordinator for Teen and Young Adults at Starfire Council stated, "This is our fifth year providing holiday goodie bags to area seniors in need. Our members love giving back to the community. It's our pleasure to help brighten the seniors' holidays and ring in the New Year."

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**About Lincoln Crawford Nursing and Rehabilitation Center:** Lincoln Crawford Nursing and Rehabilitation Center located in Walnut Hills is a 100 bed skilled nursing facility with rehabilitation and therapy services. Lincoln Crawford provides care for those who need support and assistance in their daily living activities on either a short or long term basis including: 24-hour skilled nursing care, rehabilitation and restorative services, post hospital care and sub-acute care, respite care, diversified activity programs, therapeutic diets, hospice care, religious services, and pastoral care. For information about Lincoln Crawford Nursing and Rehabilitation Center call 513/861-2044, or visit [www.lincolncrawford.org](http://www.lincolncrawford.org).

**About Starfire Council of Greater Cincinnati:** Starfire enables individuals with disabilities to become active and vital members of the community. Since 1993, Starfire has offered innovative programs that address the emerging needs of teens and adults with disabilities. Its mission: to enrich the lives of teens and adults with developmental disabilities through unlimited opportunities that build independence and community inclusion. For information about Starfire Council call 513/281-2100, or visit [www.starfirecouncil.org](http://www.starfirecouncil.org).

**About Wesley Community Services:** Wesley Community Services fosters and supports seniors seeking to remain in their home for as long as possible through the provision of essential home-based services including Home Cleaning Services, Meals-On-Wheels, Specialized Transportation, and a Pet Portions Program (free pet food for client pets) to over 2,300 seniors and individuals with disabilities. Wesley Community Services is funded by the Council on Aging of Southwestern Ohio and is a United Way partner agency. For information about Wesley Community Services call 513/661-2777, or visit [www.wesleycs.org](http://www.wesleycs.org).