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**Wesley Community Services Essay Wins Grant Money to Help Local Seniors in Need**  
*Subaru's "Share the Love Event" inspires sharing stories of bringing food and compassion to local seniors*

Cincinnati, Ohio – Wesley Community Services has just won \$100.00 from the Meals-On-Wheels Association of America (MOWAA)/Subaru “Share the Love” grant program. The winning essay, which follows this news release, describes how a lifetime dream came true for a World War II Veteran. Wesley Community Services is now entering the next phase of the holiday competition – which relies on getting the most Facebook users to “Like” our story. Winning that portion of the contest could earn Wesley Community Services Meals-On-Wheels program up to an additional \$500.00.

The money comes at a critical time for Wesley Community Services Meals-On-Wheels program, and the more than 140 other grant winners nationwide. The country’s economic downturn has made it more difficult to raise money to continue feeding our community’s homebound and other hungry seniors. Wesley Community Services plans to use the money to provide nutritious meals to those in need.

The MOWAA/Subaru “Share the Love” grant is tied to Subaru’s *Share the Love Event*. The *Share the Love Event* will run from November 20, 2010 – January 3, 2011. Subaru will donate \$250 for every new Subaru vehicle sold or leased to the customer's choice of one of five charities, including MOWAA. For more information about Subaru’s *Share the Love Event*, follow [media.subaru.com](http://media.subaru.com).

“These Meals-On-Wheels programs share love every day by bringing food and companionship to America’s hungry seniors,” said MOWAA President and CEO Enid Borden. “For the third year in a row Subaru has generously included Meals-On-Wheels in its *Share the Love Event*. We want the world to read these stories and find out more about what these amazing Meals-On-Wheels programs do every day to ‘Share the Love’ in their communities.”

The next phase of this competition relies on getting the most Facebook users to “Like” this story. More than 140 “Share the Love” essays from programs across the country have been posted on MOWAA’s [Member blog](#). The Meals On Wheels program with the most “Likes” will win an additional \$500.00. Those placing 2<sup>nd</sup> through 10<sup>th</sup> will receive an additional \$250.00. To “Like” the local essay submitted for this Facebook contest, go to [mowaablog.org](http://mowaablog.org) and search “Wesley Community Services.”

### ***About Wesley Community Services***

*Wesley Services Organization is the parent organization for Wesley Community Services and Lincoln Crawford Nursing and Rehabilitation Center.*

*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 more information about Wesley Community Services call 513/661-2777, or visit [www.wesleycs.org](http://www.wesleycs.org).*

### ***About Meals On Wheels Association of America***

*The Meals On Wheels Association of America (MOWAA) is the oldest and largest national organization in the United States representing those programs that provide meals to people in need. MOWAA's mission is to end senior hunger by 2020. To obtain more information about MOWAA or to locate a local Meals-On-Wheels program, visit the MOWAA website at [www.mowaa.org](http://www.mowaa.org).*

### **WESLEY COMMUNITY SERVICES WINNING ESSAY:**

At Wesley Community Services we go the extra mile to ensure our clients receive the very best service possible. A lifetime dream came true for World War II Veteran, Howard Moore. From assistance provided by The Honor Flight Network, whose mission is transporting veterans from across the United States to the World War II Memorial in Washington D.C., Mr. Moore was driven from his Price Hill home to West Chester Township then onto Dayton International Airport to arrive safely a few hours later in Baltimore, Maryland.

“Thanks to Wesley Community Services none of this would have happened on that bright and sunny morning at the early hour of 7:00 a.m. It was a long day, in fact I got home at 3 a.m. the next morning, but I had a wonderful time. I just wish I had enough time to visit my brother buried at Arlington National Cemetery,” stated Mr. Moore.

Mr. Moore would like to convey these kind words, “Thanks from the bottom of my heart to the individuals who made this trip a reality.”

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