

# ***Fifth Annual Livingston County Community Connect Final Report***



## **Guests**

The Fifth Annual Community Connect was held for the first time in Howell, MI. Over 1000 guests of all ages, from communities across the county, connected with needed services. Some guests were familiar services and learned about new ones, others accessed services for the very first time.

<b>Attendees</b> (Based on completed intake forms)	<b>%</b>
Adult Males	49
Adult Females	51
Families with children present at event	16
Veterans	1 (18 total)
Living in an apartment or own home	71
Living with friend or family	26
Homeless or living outside	3
<b>Average guest evaluation rating: 4.7/5</b>	

<b>What were the most requested services?</b>		<b>Ages</b> (Based On Intakes)	<b>%</b>
Take home items	#1	0-18 y/o (Of All Attendees)	16
Food	#2		
Legal assistance	#3		
Employment	#4	Adults 18-25 y/o	17
Benefit help	#5	Adults 26-54 y/o	60
Housing	#6	Adults 55-64 y/o	19
Rent or mortgage assistance	#7	Adults 65+ y/o	4

## **Volunteers**

Volunteers from organizations, local faith-based groups, and an assortment of community members came together this year at Community Connect to provide a guest centered day of service. Over 450 volunteers assisted as guides, cooks, coordinators, servers, and more helping guests to find what they needed; distributing and loading goods; and setting up/cleaning up. Volunteers rated their experience as 4.7 out of 5 on the evaluation scale. Additionally, 50+ vendor staff volunteered time.

**"Thank you!"**  
-Guest

**"It is an awesome service you are providing the community."**  
-Guest

**"Food was excellent!"**  
-Volunteer

**"Thank you for caring!"**  
-Guest

**"My first experience is a good impression, had lots of info for different help."**  
-Guest

**"Great event, eye-opener!"**  
-Volunteer

**"Very well organized, friendly and fun."**  
-Guest

**"Loved it!"**  
-Guest

**"Excellent program and space!"**  
-Guest

**"Thumbs up."**  
-Volunteer

**"Excellent day for those participating in any capacity."**  
-Volunteer

**"This is a needed service."**  
-Vendor

**"So appreciative of the kindness today."**  
-Guest

**"I had the best volunteers (guides)- all wonderful."**  
-Guest

**"Keep up the great work."**  
-Guest

**"I never realized there was such great need, thank you!"**  
-Guide



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<b>Agency or Service</b>	<b>Service</b>
Child care services	55 children
Legal services	84 sessions
Hair cuts	245 cuts
Services for veterans	10 visits
Work & financial services	122 visits
Benefits and advocacy	80 visits
Youth and childhood	313 visits
Vaccinations	52 flu shots
Massages	226 sessions
Baby items	2,385 items
Clothing	10,000 pieces
Stroke &/or BMI checks	130 visits
Blood pressure checks	28 checks
Mental health and substance abuse services	350 visits
Home and utility services	200 visits
Senior nutrition	21 visits
Family photos	68 photos
Education and literacy	1,200 books
Faith community outreach	145 visits
Food and meal served	2,606 meals/visits
Recycle programs	227 visits
Personal care bags	750 bags
Other community services	400 visits
<b>Average vendor evaluation rating: 4.5/5</b>	

<b>Community of Origin</b>	
Brighton	21%
Howell	40%
Fowlerville	11%
Hartland	4%
Pinckney	7%
Other	17%
<b>Where did you hear about CC 2012?</b>	
Newspaper	5%
Radio	4%
Friend/family	41%
Agency	27%
Church	12%
Flyer	4%
School	2%
Work	2%
Previous visit	2%
Other	1%

**Sponsors/Donors:**  
**242 Church Basic Needs Workgroup**  
**Cornerstone Church**  
**First National Bank**  
**Gleaners Food Bank**  
**Hartland Rotary**  
**Howell Ministerial Assoc.**  
**LOC Federal Credit Union**  
**MICHA**  
**Parker Middle School**  
**St. Patrick Church**