

## HURRICANE KATRINA RELIEF

### Sgt J. R. Williams

Sugarcreek Township employees raised over \$12,800 to aid victims of Hurricane Katrina. Proposed by Township Administrator, Barry Tiffany and managed by the Sugarcreek Township Community Outreach Program, employees from the Police Department, Communications Center, Fire Department, Services Department and Administration set up collection points at Wal Mart and Home Depot on September 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>. In addition to the funds raised, employees also collected several box truck loads of clothing, water and other non-perishable goods. All funds were turned over to the American Red Cross. All goods were turned over to the Dayton chapter of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference.



Sugarcreek Township employees join with employees from Two Men and a Truck in raising funds at Home Depot for Hurricane Katrina relief.

The Sugarcreek Township Community Outreach committee would like to publicly thank Wal Mart, Home Depot, CiCi's Pizza, Cold Stone Creamery and Two Men and a Truck for supporting us in this worthwhile project. Special thanks go out to all the residents of Sugarcreek Township and the surrounding area for their overwhelming generosity and kindness.

The Community Outreach Program has been active in other events this year in addition to the Hurricane Katrina Relief Effort. Some of the events that we have participated in include:

- Wal Mart Grand Opening
- Bayberry Cove Mini Carnival
- Pocket Full of Promises Safety Day
- Kables Mill Block Party
- First Baptist Church Picnic
- National Night Out
- Kroger Grand Re-opening
- Crossview Christian Church Picnic
- Tire Kingdom Safety Day
- Home Depot Safety Day
- Batteries Plus Safety Day
- First Baptist Church
- Groundbreaking
- Public Safety Open House
- Winter's Library
- Far Hills Baptist Church Fall Festival
- Halloween in the Park
- Lyons Club Parade

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If you are planning an event and would like the Community Outreach Program to attend, contact Fire Capt Joann Schultz or Asst Chief Nova Williams at 848-7344 or Police Sgt J.R. Williams or Officer Doug Evans at 848-6161

### CHILDREN'S MEDICAL CENTER PARTNERS WITH COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Recently Children's Medical Center donated 60 bicycle helmets to the Sugarcreek Township Community Outreach Program. Outreach members distributed the helmets to children from the community and surrounding areas during the Home Depot Safety Day and Public Service Open House, both on October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2005.

## COMMUNITY OUTREACH TRAILER HITS THE ROAD!

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Sugarcreek Township newest vehicle hit's the road at no cost to the taxpayers! The Community Outreach trailer debuted at the National Night Out display at the Dayton Mall and has been to just about every Outreach event since. The trailer, along with the design and graphics, was purchased with drug money seized from area drug dealers. By participation with the Greene County Agencies for Combined Enforcement (ACE) team, Sugarcreek Township is able to obtain a percentage of funds seized during narcotics arrests. There was absolutely no expense borne by the taxpayers in obtaining or outfitting the trailer. Many thanks to Police Officers Lesley Stayer and Joel Markowski in working with the design team to get the final product. The trailer is stocked with safety-related educational literature, along with public safety related give-away items.



Outreach members pose beside the new trailer. (Left to right) Rusty Cross, Mike Rammel, Steve Knopp, Ray Schultz, Joann Schultz (Co-chair), J. R. Williams (Secretary), Nova Williams. (Photos by L. Stayer)

### COMMUNITY OUTREACH EXPANDING ITS SERVICES

By: J. R. Williams

In another step towards improving services to the residents of Sugarcreek Township, three members of the Community Outreach Program have received their certification as child safety seat technicians. Rusty Cross, Nova Williams and Joann Schultz recently attended a 32-hour course covering all aspects of child safety restraint systems, including proper seat selection, installation, and inspection. They are available at various Community Outreach events or can be contacted at 848-7344 for an appointment.

The Community Outreach steering committee is making plans to further expand services by adding free blood pressure screenings to its list of services in the near future. In addition, they are exploring the possibility of adding the Ident-a-Kid or other form of child identification program.

