

# Shelby Township's 'Jean Day' program raises funds for charities

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For the last eight years, Shelby Township employees have ended their work week comfortably supporting local charities.

Every Friday is "Jean Day" in Shelby Township

offices as employees are invited to wear their Friday denim and donate \$3 toward a designated local charity. The program is administered by the township clerk's office, which oversees collection of the donations and distribution to the charities.

"We have a very giving

staff in Shelby Township Hall," Clerk Stanley Grot said. "They provide our residents and taxpayers with the best service possible, and they go above and beyond supporting local charities."

More than 100 employees work in the municipal offices and Jean Day is not

exclusive to in-office employees as Parks, Recreation and Maintenance employees, Police Department staff and Fire Department staff are also supporters of the program.

"My hat goes off to Clerk Grot and his staff," Township Supervisor Richard



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Coordinated by the Shelby Township Clerk's Office, township employees raised more than \$3,300 for charities in 2015 through the Jeans Day program.

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Stathakis said. "They facilitate most of the day-to-day office business for our township. They coordinate elections and provide premium service with daily passport processing for our residents. Then they go one step further with the Jean Day program."

In 2015, Jean Day raised \$3,305 for seven charities: American Cancer Society - Relay for Life, Special Olympics of Michigan, Angels of Hope, Utica-Shelby Kiwanis, the Humane Society of Macomb, Mission of Hope - Haiti, KaBOOM! and the Capuchin Soup Kitchen.

The program has continued into 2016, with January and February contributions dedicated to the Shelby Lions Club.

"The Jean Day program has always been successful, and it's very rewarding that my office is able to play a role in helping our employees spread goodwill

throughout the community," Grot said.

According to the township clerk, the highlight of 2015 was the month of October when employees set the high-water mark for the year in support of KaBOOM! with \$552 going to the group dedicated to bringing balanced and active play into the daily lives of children.

"My staff is always looking for new charities that can benefit our community to support with Jean Day, so, if anyone knows of a group that needs support, please contact my office," Grot said. "This is a great way for our township employees to pro-

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*Shelby Township Clerk Stanley Grot*

mote positive change in our community."

The Clerk's Office can be reached at 586-731-5102.

## CITY OF UTICA CITY COUNCIL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Take notice that the City of Utica City Council will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, February 9, 2016 at 8:45 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building, 7550 Auburn Road, Utica, Michigan.

The purpose of the public hearing is to gain citizen input for a temporary use-tent request at Harbor Freight, 45150 Utica Park Blvd. in March, June, Aug. & Oct. 2016 and at Beninati Pool, 6991 Auburn Rd., in April and June 2016.

Comments will be heard at that time or written comments may be mailed to the above address, phone calls to 586 739-1600 prior to the public hearing.

**BETH RICKETTS  
CITY OF UTICA  
CITY CLERK**

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## CITY OF UTICA RESIDENTS

At 7:45 p.m. on February 9, 2016 at the City of Utica Council Chambers