



Middle Schoolers Help at Lighthouse Shelter

This year Indian Creek's Middle School joined in a partnership with the Lighthouse Shelter of Annapolis to help in their work providing support services for the homeless in the Annapolis area. The shelter helps the homeless rebuild their lives with compassion by providing shelter and services to prevent homelessness and empower those making the transition to self-sufficiency.

Members of Ms. Proctor's advisory took the first step in this new partnership through the Shelter's bagged lunch program. They spent time during a recent morning at the shelter helping with the lunch service. They had made bag lunches the day before and took them to the Shelter. Before getting to work, they toured the facility with Volunteer Services Coordinator Michele Marshall.

This new program will continue as twice a month students prepare lunches, one with supplies provided by ICS and one from home. They will distribute the lunches, help organize the pantry, or, weather permitting, help with yard work.

In addition to the lunch program and to volunteering, the Middle School will work through our school holiday sharing program to support the Shelter. This newest addition to our community service program joins a long history of service to the community by Indian Creek. Since opening in 1973, Indian Creek has supported area families as well as local and regional charitable organizations. Students are regularly recognized for their generosity to the Anne Arundel County Food Bank and Resources Center. The Upper School has developed an ongoing relationship with its neighbor, Chrysalis House, while the Lower School has supported Crownsville area charities. Students are joined by teachers, staff, and parents as they learn to affect the world through thoughtful compassion and work.

Middle School students help with lunch service during a recent morning at the Lighthouse Shelter in Annapolis.

