SERVPRO of Fenton and Northwest Genesee County Contributes to Fundraising Event for Whaley Children's Center

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SERVPRO of Fenton and Northwest Genesee County delivered a donation to Whaley Children's Center as part of the GREAT Great Harvest Sleep Out event held in December 2025. The contribution, consisting of slippers and sheets, supported the center's efforts to assist children who have experienced abuse or neglect. Front desk administrator Tami Bosworth, who previously worked at Great Harvest Bread Co. Grand Blanc for six years, presented the items during the fundraiser.

The event featured Scott Sassack, owner of Great Harvest Bread Co. Grand Blanc, who remained outside in cold conditions for three days and two nights to raise funds and awareness for the charity. Participants and visitors dropped off donations and showed support before 1 p.m. on December 13. The sleep out collected monetary contributions, toys, and other items, with a portion of sales from the bakery directed toward the cause over several days.

Whaley Children's Center, located in Flint, Michigan, provides care for children and teens affected by severe circumstances. The organization offers residential programs and support services for approximately 50 individuals, ranging from infants to older youth. Community initiatives like the sleep out help sustain these operations through public engagement and contributions.

SERVPRO of Fenton and Northwest Genesee County provides restoration services for properties impacted by water damage, including extraction, drying, and structural repairs. Fire damage restoration addresses soot, smoke, and related issues through cleaning and reconstruction. Mold mitigation involves identification, containment, and removal to address environmental concerns. Storm response covers damage from weather events, such as wind or flooding.

Cleaning services include biohazard and crime scene management, which follows protocols for safe handling of materials. Carpet and upholstery cleaning removes contaminants from fabrics. Air duct and HVAC system maintenance clears accumulations to support air quality. Odor removal targets sources from various incidents. Vandalism cleanup restores surfaces affected by graffiti or other alterations.

The company serves communities in Genesee County, including Flint, Flushing, Clio, Montrose, Mt. Morris, Vienna, Clayton, Beecher, Fenton, Linden, Swartz Creek, Argentine, Gaines, Bayport Park, Rankin, Lake Fenton, Lapeer, Oxford, Imlay City, Burton, Davison, and Grand Blanc. Operations extend to both residential and commercial properties, with availability for emergencies at any time.

Staff members undergo regular training at the corporate facility and obtain IICRC industry certifications. This process ensures familiarity with standards in areas such as water damage restoration, fire and smoke restoration, and applied microbial remediation. Ongoing education supports the application of methods across different project types.

Tami Bosworth joined SERVPRO after her tenure at Great Harvest Bread Co. Grand Blanc. Her background in customer-facing roles facilitated the connection between the two entities during the event. The donation aligned with the company's involvement in local support networks.

"Transitioning from Great Harvest to SERVPRO allowed participation in this event in a way that connected past and present roles," said Tami Bosworth, Front Desk Administrator at SERVPRO of Fenton and Northwest Genesee County.

Scott Sassack organized the sleep out to draw attention to the needs of Whaley Children's Center. His endurance in outdoor conditions symbolized the challenges faced by vulnerable children. The initiative encouraged community members to contribute items from a wish list, including essentials for daily care.

"The involvement from local businesses like SERVPRO enhances the reach of these fundraising efforts," said Scott Sassack, Owner of Great Harvest Bread Co. Grand Blanc.

Restoration and cleaning services in Northwest Genesee County, MI, form a central part of the company's activities. These services assist property owners in recovering from incidents such as leaks, fires, or storms through systematic processes. The approach incorporates assessment, mitigation, and repair to return spaces to functional states.

As part of the broader SERVPRO network, the franchise accesses resources for large-scale responses while maintaining local operations. The company has operated in the area since its establishment, contributing to recovery efforts in various scenarios.

Community engagement includes participation in chamber of commerce events in Flint, Fenton, Swartz Creek, and Flushing. Support extends to organizations such as the Red Cross, Boys and Girls Club, Habitat for Humanity, and initiatives like #londonstrong. These activities reflect a commitment to regional development.

Owners Joshua A. Ingersoll, Dean M. Dingman, and Eric D. Chesser oversee the franchise. Ingersoll acquired ownership in 2017 and resides in Genesee County. The team consists of over 20 employees, all local to the area.

The donation to Whaley Children's Center exemplifies how business collaborations can address community needs. Events like the sleep out provide platforms for such contributions, fostering awareness and support.

SERVPRO of Fenton and Northwest Genesee County continues to offer construction services following restoration, including roof tarping and board-up for initial security. Specialty cleaning covers document preservation and sewage management, addressing diverse requirements.

The event concluded with collections filling the bakery space, demonstrating public response. Such fundraisers aid Whaley Children's Center in maintaining programs for child welfare.

Established as part of the SERVPRO brand since 1967, the company specializes in property cleanup and restoration. It handles damages from water, fire, smoke, mold, sewage, biohazards, and vandalism, aiming to minimize interruptions for affected parties.

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SERVPRO of Northwest Genesee County specializes in the cleanup and restoration of residential and commercial property after a fire, smoke or water damage. SERVPRO of Northwest Genesee County can also mitigate mold and mildew from your home or business.

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