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Pumpkin Pie for All! Help Youth Charity League Give Thanksgiving Pies Local donation event happening Nov. 20

Portland, Ore. – Youth Charity League invites you to donate pumpkin pies to feed the homeless. Simply bring store-bought pies to YCL headquarters on Nov. 20 between 9 a.m. and noon, and volunteers intend to deliver to 11 local nonprofits in time for Thanksgiving dinner.

This is the second year that YCL has helped with the pie drive that was originally started by Chef Brophy at the Oregon Culinary Institute back in 2008. Lincoln High School culinary arts students brought in YCL to help last year, and together they collected and donated more than 900 pies!

"We're so grateful that the Lincoln High School culinary arts program brought us into this worthwhile opportunity to help during the holiday, and to Lincoln's Chef Melanie Hammerstein who is continuing the late Chef Brophy's and Oregon Culinary Institute's tradition of feeding the community in this way," said Kate Begonia, YCL co-founder and board president.

YCL plans to distribute the donated pies to the following nonprofits:

- Blanchet House
- Clay Street Table
- Do Good Multnomah
- Feed the Mass
- First Baptist Church
- Friends of Seasonal and Service Workers
- HomePlate Youth Services
- Meals on Wheels People
- Our Giving Table
- Ronald McDonald House Charities
- Transition Projects

Instructions

- Date: Saturday, Nov. 20, 9-noon YCL Headquarters, 10950 SW 5th Suite 245 Beaverton 97005
- **Drop-off:** store-bought pumpkin pies, must be in sealed packaging, no other flavors
- **No-contact:** Stay in your car, wear your mask, volunteers will be masked too

Media Note: If you would like to cover the drop-off event, we welcome your reporters and photographers. Please let Arlene Unverzagt know in advance what time you'll be coming.

About Youth Charity League

Youth Charity League families serve the community by experiencing and engaging in hands-on service together. YCL believes in offering these service opportunities to children at a young age. Our youth members build their compassion muscles, understand the value of service, and develop an innate desire to give of themselves freely, rather than due to a sense of obligation. Since inception in late 2017, our 400+ YCL volunteers have delivered more than 9,100 service hours and \$247,520+ in philanthropic impact to our community. Learn more and join us at https://www.youthcharityleague.org/.