

## COMMUNITY IMPACT 2021 JR. HIGH BASKETBAL LEAGUE

This year at First Friends Sports, we are implementing a new initiative within our sports programming called Community Impact. We pride ourselves in offering quality sports programming for individuals and families in Stark County. Our hope with this new initiative is to elevate our sports programming to one that also gives back to our community, especially to those that are marginalized.

Our goal with Community Impact is three-fold:

- 1) To bring awareness to an organization that is addressing a community need within Stark County.
- 2) To collect donations throughout the season that will go toward supporting the needs of the organization and to those that it serves.
- 3) To connect individuals and families from our sports leagues to serve with that organization on a continuous basis.

The Community Impact focus for the 2021 Jr. High Basketball League is Hammer & Nails. Hammer & Nails is a nonprofit Christian outreach based in Canton, Ohio. Their mission is to improve the quality of life for homeowners in the Stark County area through home and property improvements. They believe by improving their homes, they are also, improving their living situation. To learn more, visit: <https://hammerandnails.org>

Throughout the season, we will encourage league participants to bring donations that the organization can use to accomplish their goals. At the end of the season, we will present all the donated materials to the organization.

Below are the team assignments for donations:

Notre Dame	Syracuse	Georgetown	Ohio State
Toilet Paper Paper Towels	Dish Soap Toothpaste Toothbrush Floss	Laundry Detergent Kleenex	Shampoo Conditioner Cleaning Products (i.e., surface cleaner, bleach, gloves, broom, mop, wipes, etc)

Hammer & Nails will also accept gift cards to Lowe's, Home Depot or any other local hardware store. The last day to collect donations will be March 4<sup>th</sup>, 2021.