

ABOUT US

The Women's Auxiliary Board, formed in 1948 under the leadership of then agency superintendent Hilda Marvel and civic leaders Betty Jaycox and Eleanor Voke, was the first auxiliary in the nation for a public child welfare agency. They recruited more than 100 women who were committed to bettering the lives of children served by the agency. That commitment remains strong in the more than 80 members serving in the Auxiliary today.

The Women's Auxiliary Board is dedicated to enriching the lives of the abused, neglected and dependent children of Summit County who come under the care and custody of Summit County Children Services or are the recipients of agency services.



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**by Hilda Marvel, Betty Jaycox
and Eleanor Voke**

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SUPPORT OF AGENCY EVENTS



The Women's Auxiliary Board provides pajamas and cold-weather clothing for children.



Members set up and staff a craft distribution station at the agency's annual Winter Wonderland Drive-Thru event for foster families and kinship caregivers.



Members provide various cleaning supplies and paper products to give to families who are need of these items. Items include brooms, mops, disinfectant wipes, cleanser, buckets, sponges, trash bags, paper towels and toilet paper.



MONETARY GIFTS

The Women's Auxiliary Board provides financial support to children in agency care with the following programs and specialized funds:

Beds for Kids Program - The group has given more than \$150,000 to purchase beds, cribs, sheets, blankets and pillows for children in care. Hundreds of children have received a bed or crib as a result of this program

Endowment Fund with The University of Akron — Financial aid for emancipated youth to attend college; to be used for tuition expenses only.

Graduation Gifts for Foster Youth — Monetary gifts given to those foster youth who graduate from high school, college or G.E.D. program.

Vocation Fund—financial aid for emancipated youth to attend a trade school or training program after high school.

Sharing & Caring Fund — Funds used to pay for 'extra' items for children in care, such as camp fees, instruments, etc.

VOLUNTEER WORK & PROJECTS

CRAFT KITS



Members put together craft kits monthly for parents to do with their children while at the agency's Family Interaction Center and Family Enrichment Area.

HOLIDAY PROGRAMS



Members participate in "Hanging of the Greens," where they decorate the agency for the holiday season.

The members also serve as personal gift wrappers for the agency's holiday **Adopt-A-Family Program**.

WINTER COAT GIVE-AWAY



Winter coats are provided using grant funds obtained by the WAB from the Corbin Foundation.

PERSONAL CARE KITS



The group donates feminine hygiene products to be distributed to adolescent girls who are receiving agency services, as well as handmade pillowcases for personal care kits which are distributed to children in agency custody.