

Dear Community Partner,

On *February 22, 2025*, Hagerstown will once again join thousands of others in 100+ cities across the United States and Canada in "The Coldest Night of the Year", a 2- and 5-km winter walk in support of the hungry, homeless and hurting. The Hagerstown location will be walking again for **Reach of Washington County**.

For almost 35 years, Reach has served the homeless, nearly homeless and working poor in our community by providing a cold weather shelter, a day resource center, client assistance funding, case management, and financial literacy classes, all supported by a dedicated group of thousands of volunteers and small, but mighty, staff.

Our goal in the CNOY WALK is to raise \$35,000 with the support of 25+ teams and 200+ walkers. I'm writing you to ask for your support in two ways:

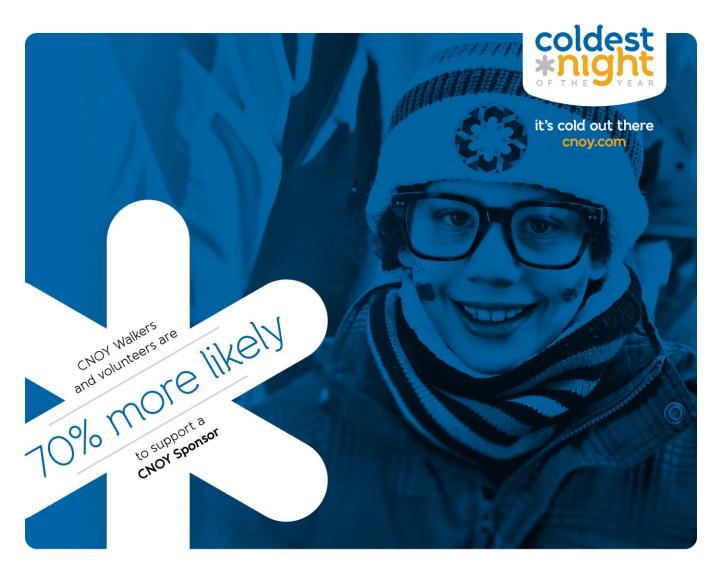
- **Sponsorship:** First, would you consider sponsoring our event through a sponsorship level? I have attached the Sponsorship package for your consideration. We would be so grateful for your support!
- **Participation:** Second, would you also consider engaging in the WALK by registering a team and recruiting 6 or more employees to walk and raise money with us that night?

The WALK is something special. It's fun, challenging and meaningful. Reach is also something special and its work and service in our community are essential. Please consider joining us by walking and sponsoring this great event.

And remember, it's cold out there.

Warmly, Jackie Strama CNOY Hagerstown cnoy.com/hagerstown

Note: The Coldest Night of the Year is a charitable program of Blue Sea Philanthropy USA, a registered 501c3 charity. EIN: 47-3541807.



# sponsorship package february 22, 2025

The **Coldest Night of the Year** is a winterrific family-friendly walk to raise money for local charities serving people experiencing hurt, hunger, and homelessness. This year, **Reach of Washington County** is hosting an event with fantastic community sponsorship opportunities!



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### **About Reach**

Reach is a nonprofit organization serving the Washington County community for 34 years. Our programs include a Cold Weather Shelter for homeless adults and year-round programs that include Case Management, a Day Resource Center, Bridge to Change (cleaning the City of Hagerstown), and financial assistance to those facing crises. Some of our highlights from FY24 include:

- The Cold Weather Shelter served 219 individuals aged 18-76 totaling 6,972 bed nights.
- Case managers served 220 individuals and helped 67 individuals obtain permanent housing, 69 gain employment or job training, and 49 complete mental health referrals.
- 4,025 individuals served thru our DRC and client assistance program. Our crisis dollars served 524 households (973 individuals).
- 27 Bridge to Change participants covered 5308.8 miles and removed over 168,390 gallons of trash.

To find out more about our programs and services, please visit our website at reachofwc.org

### **Become a Sponsor!**

Sponsorship in the Coldest Night of the Year is a unique opportunity for businesses to reach a wider audience while aligning with a charity with a long history dedicated to supporting your community. Reach relies on businesses like yours to continue our work. Consider a sponsorship today to bring hope to our city.

#### Lead Sponsor in our Location - \$5000

- Opportunity for opening remarks at the event
- Recognition as Lead Sponsor during opening ceremonies
- Recognition as Lead sponsor on participant + team pages, website, emails, and social media
- Option for CNOY Day booth or display
- Option to add a "Proud Sponsor of CNOY" badge to company emails, website, and social media
- Key volunteer roles set aside

#### **Supporting Sponsor - \$2000**

- Recognition during opening ceremonies, on participant + team pages, website, emails, and social media
- Option for CNOY Day booth or display
- Clickable logo on team and participant pages (seen by all participants and donors 4X the reach of a physical route sign!)
- Key volunteer roles set aside

#### Rest Stop Sponsor - \$1000

- Recognition on participant + team pages, web, emails, and social media
- Your name and logo displayed at the Rest Stop
- Option for CNOY Day booth or display at the Rest Stop
- Clickable logo on team and participant pages (seen by all participants and donors – 4X the reach of a physical route sign!)
- Rest Stop volunteer roles set aside

#### Route Sponsor - \$500

- Recognition on participant + team pages, emails, web, and social media
- Clickable logo on team and participant pages (seen by all participants and donors – 4X the reach of a physical route sign!)
- Your name and logo displayed along the route





## facts+stats

- Together we are working to raise **\$35,000** for Reach
- Formed in 1990, Reach will celebrate **35 years** in 2025
- Across the USA, over 40 charities are involved with the Coldest Night of the Year

Reach assists **3,000+** Washington County residents annually with a staff of **12** and over **1,600** volunteers

Don't see what you're looking for? **Talk to us!** We can work with you to create your own customized sponsorship opportunity. To become a Coldest Night of the Year sponsor, please contact: Jackie Strama, Event Director Phone: 301-733-2371, x.108 Email: jackie@reachofwc.org

### **Next Steps**

#### 1. Confirm Your Sponsorship Level

Please call or email us to discuss your sponsorship type and financial level (see contact area above for more info.)

#### 2. Email Logo

Please email us a high-quality copy of your corporate logo (JPG or PNG). Your logo will appear on the national sponsor list – **cnoy.com/sponsors** and on our local CNOY location page: **cnoy.com/hagerstown** 

#### 3. Make a Payment

Once you have confirmed your sponsorship type and amount with your rep, you will receive an invoice directly from Blue Sea Philanthropy USA (the charity who operates CNOY). From there, you can quickly and securely pay your invoice online via **credit card**.

Note: Blue Sea Philanthropy USA also accepts checks (allow 1-4 weeks for processing). Please make payable to "Blue Sea Philanthropy USA", and mail directly to Blue Sea Philanthropy USA, PO Box 331, St. Charles, IL, USA, 60174.









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