



The Newsletter of Monroe County United Ministries

Working Together

August 2016

Each One Feed One Volunteers Needed August 12-14

Are you ready to make a BIG impact in one weekend? MCUM needs volunteers to serve your neighbors in need during the tenth-annual Each One Feed One community food drive Friday, August 12 through Sunday, August 14. Volunteer by yourself or as part of a group! Your efforts will help MCUM meet the goal of raising 16,500 pounds of food in only three days, which will re-stock MCUM's emergency pantry until the holiday season. Shifts typically last three hours, and volunteers should feel comfortable with light lifting and standing for periods of time.

MCUM needs about 200 volunteers to help make this event a success. Volunteers will be provided with water, and those working two consecutive shifts on Saturday will be treated to lunch! So how do you sign up? Visit mcum.org/EOFO or contact Katie Broadfoot at (812) 339-3429 x18 or kbroadfoot@mcum.org. Thank you for taking the time to feed those who need your support.

Can't volunteer? Did you know we're also collecting financial donations to stock our new, client-choice food pantry?! Help us reach our \$15,000 goal by donating at www.mcum.org, mailing a check with "EOFO" in the memo line, or calling 812-339-3429 to give by credit card.



Volunteer Opportunities

- **Store Greeter** – greet and pass out shopping lists to customers and collect food and hygiene donations
- **Drivers and Riders** – follow designated routes to pick up donations from stores and deliver them to MCUM for sorting
- **Sorters** – sort donations as they arrive at MCUM and help organize the emergency food pantry

Thank You to our Participating Stores

Interested in making a food donation to help MCUM reach its 2016 goal? Volunteers will be posted around the area at the following locations:

- Bloomingfoods stores
- Lucky's Market
- Kroger stores
- Marsh Supermarkets
- Hometown IGA
- Wal-Mart (August 19-21)

Support from area grocery stores makes this event possible! Stop by any of these stores to make a donation to support MCUM!

Thank you, also, to this year's sponsors for making this event possible:



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- American Legion, Post 18
- City of Bloomington, Office of the Mayor
- Crane Federal Credit Union
- C & S Lawn Care
- Bloomfield State Bank
- Bill C. Brown Associates
- First Insurance Group
- Hilliard-Lyons
- IU Credit Union
- The Peoples State Bank

Current Needs

Food Pantry

- Canned meat
- Canned and dried fruit
- Cereal
- Dry beans & rice
- Crackers

Cleaning Closet

- Laundry soap
- Dish soap
- All-purpose cleaner
- Shampoo
- Diapers, sizes 4 & 5

Childcare

- BOX TOPS: If we collect 50,000 Box Tops (which equates to \$5,000 for our childcare program) by 11/2/2016, we'll earn a chance to win an additional \$5,000!

Office

- Pens
- 8.5" x 11" address labels
- Masking tape

Opportunity House

- Paper and plastic bags
- Towels and washcloths
- Baking dishes
- Pots and pans

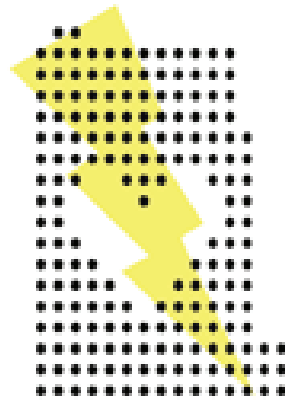
Make sure to "Like" Opp House on Facebook to stay Up-to-Date on their latest sales!

St. Mark's Fun, Food, and Fellowship Style Show and Tea

We would like to extend a HUGE thank you to St. Marks United Methodist Church and the United Methodist Women's group for the event they hosted to benefit MCUM. From the beautifully handcrafted centerpieces on each table, to the feast of delicious homemade food, to the chic and trendy fashion show, the entire event was thoroughly enjoyed by all who attended.

This annual fashion event brings in money for MCUM supporting the children in our childcare program and families served through emergency services. Thanks again to everyone who helped make this event so successful and fun.

All of this year's style selections were provided by Chico's here in Bloomington. Their seasonal designs looked great on every model, and we appreciate all of the individualized styling that the store offered.



Presenting: the Justice League





Have you heard about MCUM's brand new **Justice League**?! It's a monthly giving program that allows you to enroll in automatic monthly bank or credit card transfers. And... you're invited to join!

Through monthly donations, our Justice League provides MCUM with a consistent source of funding that allows us to plan ahead and serve more people.

JUSTICE LEAGUE

(Per day)

Your Monthly Impact:

	\$.29	For \$9/month, you will provide one child in our program with a month's worth of healthful snacks.
	\$.42	For \$13/month, you will put a 3-day supply of food on someone's table.
	\$.90	For \$28/month, you will cover the gap between parents' financial aid and the cost of care for one child, helping us keep our fees below 10% of parents' incomes.
	\$1.65	For \$51/month, you will provide basic needs essentials (food, clothing, toiletries) & case management to return a family of 4 to self-sufficiency.

Look what you will do every month when you join the Justice League:



In addition to the convenience of hassle-free monthly donations, you'll also receive complete tax statements, progress updates, fewer solicitations for contributions throughout the year, and the ability to change or suspend your donation at any time when you join the Justice League.

Ready to enroll? Here are 3 ways to join:

1. Enroll online: www.mcum.org

OR

2. Call us at 812-339-3429 ext. 20 to enroll over the phone

OR

3. Stop by our office (827 w. 14th Court, 47404) to pick up a form

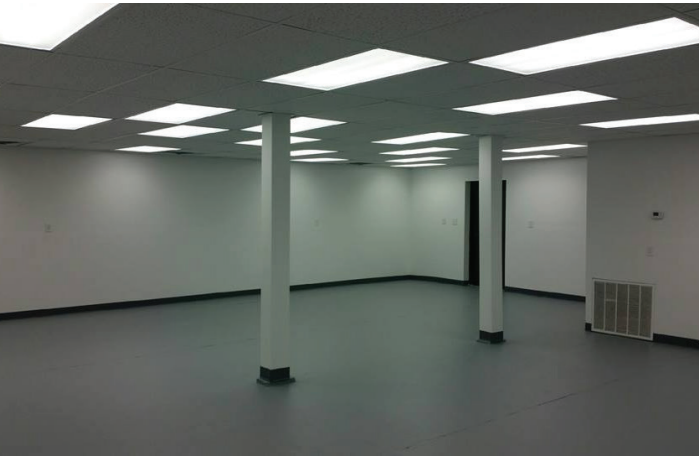
Pantry Progress Continues

For the past two months, we've told you all about our food pantry renovation project and all we hope it will accomplish for hungry Monroe County residents.

What we haven't told you is how much we love all our supporters who made this possible. Here are the donors who financially-backed this big project:

- Sherwood Oaks Christian Church
- Elton Jackson
- Adam & Diana Zlotnick
- Kathleen Cruikshank
- Howard & Carolee Mehlinger
- Christopher Harmon
- William C. Perkins
- Mary Ellen Brown
- Norma L. Miller
- Beth Myers
- William H. Hegarty
- C. Patricia Riesenman
- Charlotte Zietlow
- Edward McClellan
- Victor Harnack
- Henry & Alice Gray
- John & Carolyn Collins
- St. Paul United Methodist Church
- Harlan Lewis & Doris Wittenburg
- PLUS... all of the amazing volunteers who helped us with demolition!

Thanks for all you do!



What used to be 8 different rooms is now one big, open, bright space. We think our volunteers will love it!

MCUM Open House*:

**Sunday,
September 25
3-6 pm**

* On Sunday, September 25, please join MCUM staff, supporters, and the community as a whole for a Fall celebration open house. We'll provide food, refreshments, and fun *and* you can see our new pantry, take an interactive facility tour, and enjoy our community playground.

Thank You!

This month, we would like to express our appreciation for...

- Student volunteers from the Undergraduate Interfraternity Institute (UIFI) for helping with various projects around the agency, including sorting and bagging food for clients and helping in our childcare classrooms
- Anna Ropp for her service as our summer intern in the administrative office. Anna also worked in our childcare center for nearly 3 years. Best of luck and we will miss you!

Make MCUM Part of Your Legacy

You can ensure that MCUM's programs have a lasting impact by making a gift to MCUM through your estate plan. Numerous giving options and tax incentives allow you to create a lasting legacy. Below is sample language for your will or trust to guarantee MCUM's ability to put your gift to its best possible use.

"I hereby leave [specific dollar amount/property] of my estate to Monroe County United Ministries, Inc., a not-for-profit corporation in Bloomington, Indiana, to be used for the benefit of the organization in such a manner as the board of directors may elect."

If you would like to find out more about the impact you can have, contact Katie at 339-3429 x18.



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 Education Coordinator: Tina Burress
 Emergency Services Caseworker: Sandi Clothier
 Emergency Services Caseworker: Jenn Webeck
 Office Manager: Shannon Hampton

Hours of Operation

Office & Emergency Services

Monday & Thursday: 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
 Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday: 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Childcare

Monday - Friday: 7 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

*On days of high demand for services, MCUM may stop taking applications earlier than posted hours.



Please recycle this newsletter or share it with a friend.

Opportunity House

Opportunity House, located at 907 W. 11th Street, is a volunteer-run resale shop that raises funds to support MCUM's programs. We are open 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Monday through Saturday, with donations accepted 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Call us at (812) 336-2443 or follow us on Facebook!

Donations of gently used items are always welcome, including: books, clothing, household items, collectibles, toys, and linens.

A Message from the Store Manager:

Opportunity House is having great summer sales as we have been receiving great donations! We so appreciate all who have donated to us!

A couple of our very low priced outfits were modeled by MCUM staff and interns at the St. Mark's Women's Tea and Fashion Show last week, showing all who attended what great items and low prices we offer our customers. Come and see the unbelievable deals for yourself and help us support MCUM's excellent programs!