



Who We Are

Monroe County United Ministries (MCUM) is a nurturing organization serving Monroe County working families and those in distress by assisting with emergency needs and subsidized childcare. We provide quality education and a safe place for children, basic needs assistance, and community service opportunities.

A Brief History

Monroe County United Ministries (MCUM) began in 1939 as a day care for low-income families. Over the years MCUM has grown and changed to meet the needs of the community. Our goal is to reduce the impact of poverty in our community. We accomplish this goal through our programs and by networking with other organizations in an effort to find the best solutions for our clients.



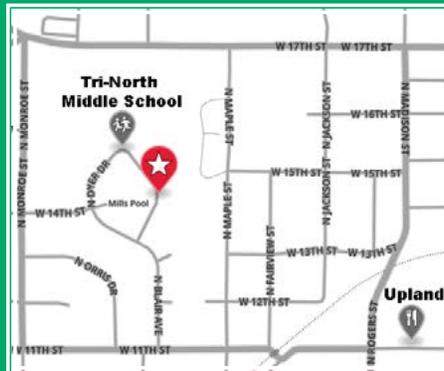
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Getting Here

MCUM is located next to Tri-North Middle School and Mills Pool off the Bloomington Transit "2" Bus Route. The childcare program is located in the brick building on the left.



Monroe County United Ministries

Non-Profit Laboratory



Do you need a safe, nurturing environment to start your own non-profit organization?

We Can Help.

Our Goal

At Monroe County United Ministries (MCUM), we believe in self-sufficiency and innovation. Our new Non-Profit Organization (NPO) Laboratory aims to improve opportunities for like-minded NPOs to flourish in our community.

The NPO Lab will provide a safe, nurturing environment for good ideas to develop that will improve the lives of Monroe County residents. Many new organizations are unfamiliar with its legal and financial requirements. The NPO Lab provides start-up organizations with local, practical information that will improve the likelihood of long-term mission success.

For participating NPOs to remain self-sufficient and successful, participants will receive individualized mentoring and be provided with networking opportunities. Collaboration with other local nonprofits, connection with similar groups statewide, and mission advocacy will be expected by these groups accepted into the program.

The NPO Lab aims to improve coordination and efficiency of NPOs with similar missions by creating an avenue for new NPOs to communicate with and learn from experts in the community.

What We Provide

Individuals and groups interested in starting a nonprofit organization or new organizations with a 501(c)3 status of less than a year in Monroe County are invited to apply for participation in MCUM's NPO Lab.

Accepted applicants will be provided the following services:

- Office space
- Fiscal administration of funds
- Mentoring/professional development
- Networking opportunities with other groups and organizations with similar mission focus
- Board recruitment and development

Timeline for 2015 process:

June 1 Applications due by 12:00 pm. Must be electronically submitted with attachments in PDF format to mcum@mcum.org. Applicants will be notified of selection for interview by June 12, 2015.

June 15 – 19 Interviews conducted

June 30 Decisions announced

August 1 Program start date

Applications must include the following:

- Application form at www.mcum.org
- 1023 or 1023 EZ if already submitted
- Board list with contact information
- Mission statement

Who Qualifies for the Program?

To be eligible, program proposals must have the following qualifications:

1. Programming that aims to serve the residents of Monroe County
2. A mission statement prepared that includes improving the lives of Monroe County residents
3. Complete screening procedure and be approved for participation
4. If 501(c)3 status has already been obtained, it must have been awarded less than 1 year from date of application
5. Submit fiscal sustainability plan within 3 months of beginning the program