



Crawford County Community Christian Help Center Newsletter

March 2024

Notes from the Director!

I hope you have had a chance to enjoy some of this great weather! Although, I still like seeing the snow and know that we need it to keep our rivers and lakes full. But the sunshine always makes me smile!

We have been busy as always trying to keep up with the food needs of our clients. You have all supported us with both donations and food items. We couldn't do this work without you.

Please check out this newsletter for a couple of fundraisers that are coming up. I hope you can join us at both of them!

Nancy Goodyear, Director



Thank you Gits 'N Shiggles

The local improv group, Gits 'N Shiggles, performed at the Artisan Village in January. They passed the hat for the Food Pantry and collected \$1,015!!! We can't thank them enough for their support!!!!



January Stats:

Households served:	290
New households served:	33
Individuals served:	751
Donations received:	\$6,695
Food donations received:	\$4,878
Volunteer hours:	161

February Stats:

Households served:	255
New households served:	23
Individuals served:	656
Donations received:	\$3,731
Food donations received:	\$6,814
Volunteer hours:	165

Current Needs

- Cereal
- Peanut butter
- Jelly
- Pasta and rice sides
- Canned vegetables
- Canned fruit
- Boxed potatoes
- Juice

March Against Hunger

During the months of March and April, you can support the Food Pantry by making a donation to the Food Bank of Eastern Michigan in our name. We purchase our food from the Food Bank at lower costs. The donation will be credited to our account to use to purchase food. The Food Bank will donate an additional 10% to our account for each donation. The donation must be mailed with the attached form in order to count. Your donation will go further!

Tinker's Junction fundraiser

Please join us at Tinker's Junction on **Thursday, April 11th from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m.** Tinker's will be donating 10% of all food purchases during that time to the Food Pantry. There will be celebrity servers that night. There will also be a silent auction. Come and enjoy some great food, fun with friends, and support the Food Pantry at the same time! See the attached flyer for details.

Golf Outing fundraiser

Mark your calendars for our first ever golf outing fundraiser. We will be holding the outing on **Saturday, June 29th** at the Grayling Country Club. Registration forms and flyers will be coming out soon! We are currently looking for teams of 4 players, donations to both a silent auction and prize giveaways, and hole sponsors. Contact the Food Pantry if interested.

Business Expo

Come visit our booth at the Chamber of Commerce Business Expo on **Thursday, April 18th** at the Ramada Inn from 4 to 7 p.m. You can see what we've done this past year, ask questions, make a donation, and visit many other local businesses. Hope to see you there!

Hours of Service

Monday - Wednesday - Friday from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

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How You Can Help

- Continue to donate money and products
- Place monetary donations in collection boxes at the Medicine Shoppe, Grayling Restaurant and Two River Deli
- Share this newsletter with friends and family
- Save UPC symbols from Our Family products (formerly Spartan) – we share these with the school food pantry
- Let family, friends, and neighbors know about our services

Help Center Facts

- Established in March 1992
- Is a Michigan non-profit 501(c)(3) charitable corporation
- Moved to current location in 1998
- Governed by a Board of Directors representative of local churches and agencies
- Supported by gifts, grants and donations from local community services, businesses, churches, and individuals
- Service Unit for Salvation Army

"For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink... Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me."

Matthew 25:35,40