

The *Helping Hand***MISSION
STATEMENT**

Crossover Downtown Outreach Ministry is a faith-based, non-denominational mission established to provide free emergency food, clothing, household, personal items, and youth programs to those most in need in our community. Providing faith based services and programs, showing the love of Christ, restoring hope, and rebuilding lives.

**CROSSOVER
WISH LIST**

- ⇒ New Copier for the Office
- ⇒ Prayers - we can always use your prayers! Thank You!

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Friend of Crossover & Spirit of Crossover

On May 7, 2014, we were blessed to be able to thank our generous donors for their giving and award one individual and one group with our **Friend of Crossover** and **Spirit of Crossover** awards.

The **Friend of Crossover** award was lovingly presented by Maryetta Mueller to **Shirley Stevens** who has been a part of Crossover since the very beginning! Her work coordinating our pantry volunteers and her faithful service to those in need in our community is admirable. Shirley's daughter, Carole, also shared a moving note to Shirley from her three children. She spoke of how their parents led by example, showing them the importance of community service and philanthropy! The Friend of Crossover award is given annually to an individual demonstrating years of support, helping Crossover help those in need! *We are blessed to have Shirley as a friend of Crossover.*

The **Flint Junior Needlework Guild**, was presented the **Spirit of Crossover** award for their support of many programs through donations of new children's coats, children's and infant's clothing, personal needs items and so much more! Though this award was given based on their donations in 2013, they have given to Crossover for many years and continue to provide for those in need faithfully every year! They truly support the mission of Crossover by providing HOPE to those most in need.

CROSSOVER IS BLESSED TO HAVE SUCH AMAZING FRIENDS IN OUR CORNER!



*Thank
you
Shirley
and
NGA!*

Annual Spring Luncheon

On May 7, 2014, we celebrated our 23rd year serving those in need with our Annual Spring Fundraiser! This year's fundraiser was a luncheon held at First Presbyterian Church, catered by Fandangle's!



The hall was beautifully decorated, lunch was delicious, and the fellowship was phenomenal! We would like to thank all who attended as well as our fundraising committee, led by Tim Bishop, with lots of help from his wife Melissa. Thank you also to our Board, our anonymous donor who paid for lunch, the **Community Foundation's Flint Community Fund**, and more!



Mayor of Flint, Dayne Walling, spoke to us about Flint's Master Plan and how agencies like Crossover play an integral role in moving the city forward! He challenged us to continue to provide for the basic needs of those less fortunate as we play a key role in developing a sustainable Flint.

Finally, Maryetta Mueller presented the Friend of Crossover award to Shirley Stevens and Denise Diller presented the Spirit of Crossover award to the Flint Junior Needlework Guild!

We're truly blessed to have friends like you and thank you for making our fundraiser a success!

Change a Life: Send a Child to Camp!

Each year we send up to 40 children to Bayshore Camp to give them a break from the struggles of daily inner-city life. Camp allows these 5th and 6th grade boys and girls to experience nature, make new friends, and learn about Christ. The children enjoy a week filled with canoeing, games, swimming, singing, riding the zip line and much more!

It costs Crossover \$387.50 to send one child to camp. That covers a week of overnight camp, bus ride to and from camp, and a pre-camp party allowing the children to get to know each other before they leave!

You can change a child's life today!

Make a donation to sponsor one of our at risk children's camp experience, whether for a day or two, or for the whole week!

Just one camp experience can positively change a child's life forever!



Back to School

Summer's almost here but, it'll be time to go Back to School before you know it! Each year, we help over 100 Flint / Genesee County children begin the school year with new clothes and school supplies.

We provide each of these at risk children with two school outfits, a voucher for new shoes, socks, undergarments and a backpack filled with school supplies. If you'd like to help support this program, use the enclosed envelope to make a donation to this wonderful program (or donate online via PayPal).

Thank you for helping children in need!



Mobile Food Pantries

June 24, 2014—Greater Heights Academy @ 11 a.m.

Let us know if you'd like to volunteer to work at a Mobile Food Pantry OR if your church would like to host a Mobile Food Pantry, please call us at (810) 234-2479.

More mobile food pantries are being planned.
Please check online or call us for dates and times!

A new generation of philanthropy...

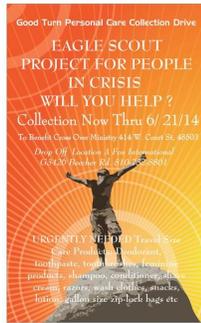
Lending a Helping Hand



Meet Christian Williams*, a Life Scout with Troop 110 of the Water & Woods Council, Flint, MI.

Christian is working toward becoming an Eagle Scout and has chosen to help those less fortunate in his community by helping Crossover collect personal care products! He was inspired by our Blessing Bag giveaway and is collecting personals and making Emergency Kits for the homeless and underprivileged.

He has started a Good Turn Personal Care Collection Drive with the goal of completing at least 100 emergency kits. His collection will run from June 21st through the 29th with a Bag Party happening Sunday, June 29th at 3:00 p.m. at the Genesee Village Apartments Club House—3200 Wimbleton Drive, Flint Township MI 48532. You are welcome to come on the 29th and help Christian help others and achieve his goal of becoming an Eagle Scout!



**Christian is a 15 year old Freshman at Carmen Ainsworth High School. He is an honor roll student, President of the Freshman Student Council, Member of the Blue Brigade Marching Band and a Life Scout with the Boy Scouts of America.*

Thank you Ladies of Willowbrook Manor!

Thank you to the wonderful ladies of Willowbrook Manor who gave of their time and talent to make blankets, hats, scarves, gloves and more! Your creations will warm the bodies, hearts and souls of those who receive them! *What a blessing!*



2014 Feinsein Challenge — Thank You!

Special thanks to everyone who saw the Feinsein Challenge as a way to further your donations. This year, you helped us raise **\$25,387.00 toward the Feinsein Challenge!** Your generosity will help provide even more food directly to those in need in our city and county, through our food pantry at Crossover and our mobile food pantries.

Thanks again to all who donated in March and April of 2014!

Gifts of Memory

We offer our deepest sympathies to those who have suffered the loss of a loved one and we are truly grateful for the loving donations in their memory.

James H. Cook: by Jan Cook

Barbara Landaal Terry: by Barbara Smart

Elaine Wansitler: by Herbert Wansitler

Frank Moore: by Jonathan Schwarz, Joanne Schwartz, Linda Marowitz, Regina Gradess, Robert Gilbert, Stephanie Palumbo, Thomas Goddard, Juliann Johnson, Melissa Makes It, Douglas Thomson, Frank Perkins, Ronald Steury, Janet Webb, David Poinsett, Donna Smith, Mireille Strunck, Kathleen Valdez, Charles Siskel, Joann Mizutani, Susan DeLacy, Sara Bode, Bill & Barb Arsenault, John Deacon and Carol-Anne Blower

John F. Clippard: by Judy Clippard

Gifts of Honor & Celebration

Thank you for helping those less fortunate while honoring loved ones or celebrating the milestones in these peoples lives:

In Honor of Jackie Elliott: by the late Bill Needham

In Honor of David Worth and Renee Foreman: by Jovan & Susan Djokovic



You can find us online at www.crossoverministryflint.org, on Facebook, Twitter, Linked In, and you can donate on our website using PayPal! Our goal is to make helping those in need as easy as possible!





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Urgent Donation Needs...



Household:

dishes, pots & pans, dinner plates, & silverware.



Clothing:

men's clothing (especially small sizes and very large sizes like XXL, XXXL, etc.)

children's clothing (boys sizes 2-6, girls sizes 4-8)



Personal Care:

toothpaste and toothbrushes, soap, deodorant, shampoo, feminine products, toilet paper, lotion, shaving cream and razors.



Thank You!