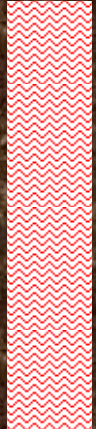




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Goal of
\$450,000

Balance
Needed
\$98,000



\$352,000
Pledges
& Gifts

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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October 2011

Monthly Newsletter

2011 HOLIDAY PROGRAMS



Can You Help This Year?

For many years Interfaith Community Council has sponsored the Operation Santa Claus and Adopt-A-Family Programs to help income-eligible Floyd County families in need have a happier Holiday Season. These programs provide food for Thanksgiving and food and gifts for Christmas.

We have noticed some changing trends with the families we serve over the last couple of years. The definition of a family who lives in poverty has taken on a new meaning. Many new faces, faces of those who were employed for years, have entered our doors, and have utilized our programs. This has increased the need for Holiday assistance.

Churches, organizations, individuals and families are the foundational donors for these programs. Only funds that are specifically ear-marked for these programs are used, and we serve as many children and families as we can.

Here's a short synopsis, explaining the difference between the programs:

Operation Santa Claus:

Children in Floyd County who are in Head Start and Preschool-Grade 4 whose parents register for the program are provided with two items of the child's choice, one clothing item and one toy, up to a total approximate value of \$35 per item. Clients are notified about the program through the schools and local agencies. Clients must be income-eligible and complete the application process.

Adopt-A-Family:

Families in Floyd County are adopted by churches, organizations, individuals and families. They are given food, clothes and/or toys for Christmas. As many as possible are given food for Thanksgiving. Clients must be income-eligible and register for this program. There is no guarantee for Thanksgiving baskets; we give as many as we get, and serve as many families as possible.

It is totally up to the donor as to what the adopted Family receives. The donor is free to purchase whatever he/she is willing to provide. (Some of our adopters include Bibles or other Christian materials for the families.) Interfaith does coordinate the giving at Christmas so the applicants receive both food & gifts. For example, if a church is providing a food basket only, then we will also give that family's name to a group that is providing gifts.

Those "adopting" a family may, if they choose, personally contact the recipients. They can talk with them, meet them, and/or deliver items directly to them. Recipients know when they register that there may be personal contact from their "adopters". (This could be used as opportunity for outreach.)

If you would like more information about the programs, please contact: Carol Kannapel at 812-948-9248 or ckannapel@interfaithinc.org

If you would like to participate in either of these programs, see Page 2.

INTERFAITH MINUTE

See Page 2 for Holiday
Program Donor
Enrollment.

SAVE THE DATE

ICC Board of Directors Meeting

Oct. 18, 4 pm
Typically meets the 3rd
Tuesday of each month at
Purdue Technology Ctr.

ICC Foundation Board Meeting

Meets e/o month
Tues., Nov. 22,
11:30-12:45
Brown Bag Lunch
Interfaith Upper
Conference Room

ICC Representative's Council Meeting

Meets quarterly
2nd Tuesday
Oct. 11
6:30-8 pm.
All are welcome.
Silver Street UMC

Ministers' Munch

Meets the 4th Wednesday
of the month.
Locations vary.
Wed., Oct. 26, 11:30-1:00
Habana Blues on Market

Community Prayer

Every Thursday morning
9 am
Salvation Army

HOLIDAY PROGRAMS

HOLIDAY ASSISTANCE

For anyone wishing to participate in Adopt-A-Family:

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____ City _____

Zip: _____ E-mail Address: _____

I want to provide (Select those you would like): Thanksgiving Food: _____

Christmas Food: _____ Christmas Gifts: _____ Christmas Food & Gifts: _____

of Families Wanted: _____ OR Total # of Individuals Wanted: _____

Delivery Preference: Provide Directly to Family _____ Bring to Interfaith _____

THANKSGIVING FOOD MUST BE DELIVERED TO THE FAMILY OR TO INTERFAITH BY SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20TH.

CHRISTMAS ITEMS MUST BE DELIVERED TO THE FAMILY OR TO INTERFAITH BY SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18TH.

We _____ can _____ cannot communicate in Spanish to serve Spanish-speaking families.



For anyone wishing to participate in Operation Santa Claus:

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____ City _____

Zip: _____ E-mail Address: _____

of Children Wanted _____ # of Gifts (2 per Child) _____

Delivery Preference: Take Directly to Family _____ Bring to Interfaith _____

PLEASE DELIVER ITEMS TO THE FAMILY OR TO INTERFAITH BY SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18TH



For anyone wishing to donate to Holiday Programs:

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____ City _____

Zip: _____ E-mail Address: _____

Amount of pledge: \$ _____ **PLEASE MARK YOUR CHECK FOR HOLIDAYS**



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MINISTERS' MUNCH

*Ministers' Coffee is now the Ministers' Munch
We will now meet on the fourth
Wednesday of each month for lunch at a local restaurant.
We pay for our own lunches.
Join us for a time of relaxation and fellowship.*

*Wednesday, October 26, 2011
11:30am to 1:00 pm
Habana Blues on Market Street
Open to all area Ministers/Clergy*

*Christine Harbeson ~ Executive Director
charbeson@interfaithinc.org
812.948.9248X1800*



ECUMENICAL PRAYER SERVICE

For the first time ever, area ministers conducted an ecumenical prayer service to kick off the festivities of the Harvest Homecoming. The Harvest Homecoming Board of Directors approved this event for the Main Stage at Main Source Bank on October 6, from 1:00 –1:15 pm. The order of our small prayer service is listed below. We were able to take the stage between presentations done by Christian Academy of Indiana. It all worked out nicely. Please join us at the next Minister's Munch to begin planning for next year. We look forward to worshipping with you!



Intercessory Prayer	Rev. Doug Grant	Floyds Knobs Christian
Scripture Reading	Rev. Allen Colwell	St. John Presbyterian
Devotion/Talk	Rev. John Manzo	St. Marks UCC
Harvest Blessing	Father Eric Augenstein	Our Lady of Perpetual Help

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INVITATION TO CLERGY & STAFF

An invitation for all who receive this newsletter:



New Hope Services, Inc. is inviting area churches to a presentation on their services and for a tour of the New Hope Center in Jeffersonville. New Hope Services, Inc. offers a wide range of programs and additional resources which you may not be able to provide for members of your congregation. This is a great opportunity to learn more about the programs they offer to better serve our community and ways to partner with New Hope Services, Inc.

New Hope Services, Inc.
October 26th, 10:00am-Noon
Presentation on services from program managers
Tour of the New Hope Center

Location:
725 Wall Street
Jeffersonville, IN 47130

Please RSVP to kenton_wooden@newhopeservices.org
or by calling (812) 288.8248 ext. 120.

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FOOD PANTRY NEEDS



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| Spaghetti | Canned Fruit |
| Single-Serving Items for the Homeless | Canned Chicken |
| Canned Mackerel | Canned Salmon |
| Beef Stew | Chili |
| Chicken & Dumplings | Canned Tuna |

HOLIDAY BASKETS

Interfaith will be distributing Holiday Food Baskets for Thanksgiving and Christmas. If you can help provide any of the following items, we will "save" them to use for the Holidays.

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| Gift Card for Turkey or Ham (due to freezer space) | Stuffing |
| Instant Potatoes | Gravy |
| Green Beans | Canned Sweet Potatoes |
| Cranberries | Macaroni & Cheese |
| Chicken Broth | Pumpkin Pie Filling |
| Cream of Mushroom Soup | Cake Mix |



If you would like to provide a whole food basket to a family, see the Adopt-A-Family Donor information on Page 2. You can sign up to provide food only.

Thank you.

Floyd County IDs

One of the documents that clients need to receive assistance from local agencies is a valid ID or Driver's license from Floyd County. We have a lot of people come in who do not have one. They may have ID from another state or county; those who have none often tell us it has been lost or stolen. They also tell us they do not have the funds to purchase a new one.

We have been able to secure a partnership with the DMV to assist some clients in obtaining an ID or license. Although funds are very limited, we recognize this as a crucial area in which we can assist.

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POISON SAFETY PROGRAM

RSVP's Poison Safety Program is Now Scheduling Presentations

ICC's Retired and Senior Volunteer Program is offering Poison Information for Seniors to any group looking for a program. The Power Point presentation takes an hour, but can be shortened if necessary. It concentrates on identifying toxic substances, keeping them marked and separated from look-alikes and how to identify the situations when you should call the Poison Control Center, or the pharmacist or 911.



For questions or to schedule a presentation, call RSVP volunteer Bette Lay at 949-7844.

DIAL-A-CARE PROGRAM

Dial A Care Program Accepting New Clients



Do you have a friend or family member who's alone during the day? Perhaps he or she would benefit from a daily call from a Retired Senior Volunteer. Our Dial a Care program is a free service that was established decades ago to serve homebound adults in our community. Some clients need to be checked on during the day to make sure they're safe; and some just need someone to talk to. Either way, they're eligible for DAC services.

Home health agencies and hospitals used to be able to refer their patients directly to DAC. Then came HIPPA, which made it a privacy violation to give out patient information. So they began trying to convince patients to sign up themselves. That hasn't worked so well. Many patients think they will be able to get by just fine without having anyone check on them. Others are embarrassed that they don't have any friends or family to talk with; or they don't want to put anyone out by asking for the call. So, in many cases, they need some cajoling to sign up for the service. Or, need a family member to help them sign up, and convince them to give the service a try.

Dial a Care is coordinated by RSVP volunteer Nancy Fords. She talks with each client, establishing the best time to call and, if needed, a procedure to be followed if the client doesn't answer the phone in a reasonable length of time. Then she matches a caller to each client.

Some DAC volunteers are homebound themselves. But, as one 38 year old woman told us years ago, "I'm bedridden, but I'm not dead yet. Surely I can help someone from here." And she did. For two years, she made daily calls to two clients, brightening both their lives and her own.

So, if you have a friend or family member whose life would be enriched by a daily call, please tell them about this free service and encourage them to give us a call at 948-1815.



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HOT MEAL LOCATIONS IN FLOYD COUNTY

Organization	Street Address	City	Day/Time
Centenary United Methodist Church	309 E. Spring St	New Albany	SUN: 4:30 pm
St. Mary's New Albany [Cafeteria]	8th & Elm Streets	New Albany	MON: 6 - 6:30 pm
Dwelling Place Ministries	1138 Pearl St	New Albany	MON: 6 pm
The Hour of Power Evangelist Mission	108 W. Main St	New Albany	TUES: 5:30 - 6:30 pm
Celebration Worship Center	8965 State Rd. 64	Georgetown	TUES: 6 - 7:30pm
Silver Street United Methodist Church	413 Silver St	New Albany	WED: 6 - 6:30 pm
Main St United Methodist	516 W. Main St	New Albany	WED: 5:30 - 6:30 pm
Pearl Baptist Church	515 E. 10th St	New Albany	WED: 5:30 pm
Centenary United Methodist Church	309 E. Spring St	New Albany	THUR: 6 - 7 pm
St. Paul's Episcopal Church [Carriage House]	219 E. 11th St	New Albany	FRI: 6 - 6:30 pm
St. Mark's United Church of Christ	222 E. Spring St	New Albany	SAT: 12 Noon

LOCAL HOUSING ASSISTANCE OPENINGS

LifeSpring Transitional Living Program: has 3 apartments coming open soon in 2 and 3 bedroom. Contact: Cynthia Sheckell, BS, 812-981-2594 X 2025

Family Scholar House Program: provides housing and education services to Single Parent College Students with a Custodial Child. Contact: Evette Clemons at eclemons@familyscholarhouse.org

NORTON HEALTHCARE END OF LIFE CARE

End of Life Care, A Health Ministries Perspective
Saturday, Oct. 22, 2011 8:30am-3:30pm

Norton Healthcare Pavilion, Cranmer Auditorium, 315 E. Broadway, Louisville, KY, 502-629-2700
Synopsis:

Faith community nurses, health ministers and others who care for church members at the end of life often are called to facilitate meaningful, peaceful transitions. During this seminar, experienced clinicians, faith community nurses and clergy will share their experiences in serving individuals who are dying. A wide spectrum of topics will be covered, including communicating with and assessing the needs of the dying, fulfilling advance directives and helping loved ones heal from grief.

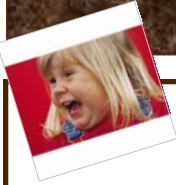
Registration: Call 502-629-1234 or 888-4-U-NORTON, or register online at NortonHealthcare.com/CHM Registration deadline is Oct. 14

Fee \$20. Workshop fee is refundable if cancellation is received by Oct. 14

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“PARENT(S) AND OTHER ADULTS MODEL POSITIVE, RESPONSIBLE BEHAVIOR”

DEVELOPMENTAL ASSET # 14: ADULT ROLE MODELS



Have you ever considered yourself as a role model? Perhaps you should. According to Wikipedia, “The term **role model** generally means any “person who serves as an example; one whose behavior is emulated by others”.

Role models come in all shapes and sizes, all walks of life, all professions. You ARE a role model whether you plan to be or not. There are people watching you, especially the children in your life.

What kind of impression are you making? Would you want them to emulate your behavior? What are others learning from you about God? About how to treat others? About relationships? About honesty? About what is really important in life?

You have the awesome opportunity to influence them for good. How are you using it?

Proverbs 22:6 Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it.

For more about Assets: <http://www.interfaithinc.org/YouthDev.html>
Or go to YouthCount.com for more information about Asset Building



LETTERS FROM SANTA, AND HIS PALS

Once again, Interfaith’s Retired Senior Volunteer Program is providing *personalized* “Letters From Santa” . You can surprise your young person for Christmas and/or Easter!

Santa Letters:

- Are printed on Santa stationery.
- Are mailed first class in bright red envelopes.
- Mention the child’s name.
- Mention 2 friends.
- Mention the name of the person who ‘told’ Santa about the child.
- Mention the child’s hometown.
- Cost only \$5 each.



An added feature is a “Letter from the Easter Bunny” that you can order without filling out an extra form. For \$3 more, using the info from the Santa Letter application, the child will receive a personalized letter from the Easter Bunny.



Form is available on the next page.

If you need more information, contact Ceil or Janet at 948-1815.



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Letters from Santa



Imagine the delight on your child's face if he/she received a letter from Santa on beautiful colored stationery! Now, imagine how much more thrilled your little one would be if Santa called him by name and mentioned his friends and where he lives! This letter will be a treasured keepsake to add to your family scrapbook. Your child will truly feel special. Santa has asked us, his helpers at the Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP), to help him write to all good little girls and boys. If you would like your child to receive a special letter from Santa, just complete this form and return by December 3 with your check or money order for \$5.00 (See bonus offer below). Letters will be mailed in mid December. (Orders received after December 3 cannot be guaranteed delivery before Christmas.)

Here's How to Order! (Please print.)

First, fill out some customer information.

Person ordering letter for child: _____

Your address: _____

City, state, zip: _____

Phone: _____

Tell Santa what to call your child and where to send the letter.

First name: _____ Last name: _____

Child's mailing address: _____

City, state, zip: _____

The child is a: Boy _____ Girl _____

City or town of residence: _____

Tell Santa what city or town the child lives in. (Sometimes this is different from the city in the mailing address.)

Who told Santa about this child? (Please specify relationship to the child - e.g. Friend Paul, Grandma Ruth, Mommy or Aunt Sally.) _____

Tell Santa the first names of two of the child's favorite friends or family members.

Friend #1: _____ Friend #2 _____

Bonus offer: We can use the same personal info to send your child a Letter from the Easter Bunny too. It will cost just \$3 more. Please check your preference below and send the completed form and appropriate amount of money to:

RSVP
702 East Market St.
New Albany IN 47150
812-948-1815

_____ **\$5.00 Santa Letter only**

_____ **\$8.00 Both Santa and Easter Bunny Letters**

APPLICATION FORM

Interfaith Community Council, Inc.

"A Christ-focused ministry serving the whole community"

702 East Market Street
New Albany, IN 47150



Interfaith's future home

~ Working hand in hand with our churches for the growth of the Kingdom ~



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Legacy of Faith

Interfaith Community Council Foundation, Inc.

The Interfaith Community Council Foundation, Inc. is a separate and independent 501(C)(3) not-for-profit with the sole purpose of providing support for the various community programs and projects coordinated through Interfaith Community Council. Contributions are tax deductible. Contact Christine Harbeson at 812.206.1800 for more information.



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