



# Interfaith Community Council, Inc.

OCTOBER 2008

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

## FOOD RELIEF



Interfaith collaborated with other local agencies and community volunteers to provide over 600 meals for people last week due to the Windstorm. Partnerships with Dare to Care, The Salvation Army, the New Albany Housing Authority, Greenville New Hope Baptist Church and other community volunteers, enough food was bagged and boxed to give families some hope and nourishment during these difficult times.

ICC was blessed to be able to be a part of the coordinated relief effort. We thank God for providing us with the partnerships and volunteer base to help those who needed it most.

## INTERFAITH MINUTE

Over 600 meals were distributed last week!

*(See the article at left for more information.)*

## SAVE THE DATE

## ST. JOHN'S PRESBYTERIAN PUTS OUT THE WELCOME MAT FOR RSVP!

Interfaith and RSVP are excited to announce that RSVP is now ready to move into the lower level of St. John's Presbyterian Church. RSVP will be in their new office space by the 13th of October. The move is solely in response to the need for more space. Since RSVP became a part of Interfaith, it has grown from 200 to over 1200 volunteers. The area at St. John's will provide ample room for the program to operate more efficiently and effectively and will provide better access to volunteers.

St. John's Presbyterian Church is located at the corner of 13th and Elm. The entrance for RSVP will be on the side of the building facing 13th St.

Their contact information will remain the same.

702 E. Market St.  
New Albany, IN 47150  
812-948-1815  
RSVP@interfaithinc.org

Interfaith is very happy for RSVP and this opportunity. We look forward to being partners for many more years.

**Community Prayer**  
Every Thursday, 9 am  
at the Salvation Army

### Inspiration on the River

October 4, 2008  
following Harvest Homecoming Parade  
4-8 pm at the Riverfront

### ICC Executive Committee

October 13, 2008  
at ICC  
5:30 pm

### The Annual ICC Board of Directors

November 13, 2008,  
6:30 pm, St. Paul's Episcopal Church

**Excel** - See Pg. 5



**PLEASE POST!**



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## HOLIDAY PROGRAMS

The holidays are upon us! Last month you should have received a letter from Interfaith asking about participation in the Operation Santa Claus program, and a letter about the Adopt-A-Family program will go out this month. We need to hear back from your church as soon as possible. OSC enrollment is scheduled to begin Oct. 20<sup>th</sup>, and AAF enrollment begins Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup>. Here is a reminder of how the programs operate:

### Adopt-A-Family:

Families in Floyd County are “adopted” by churches, organizations, individuals and families. At Thanksgiving families are given baskets containing food only; at Christmas, families receive food, clothes and/or toys. You can “adopt” a family for Thanksgiving, Christmas, or both.



### Operation Santa Claus:

Income-eligible children in Floyd County receive two toys of their choice up to a total approximate value of \$70. Congregations get the names of the children from ICC, buy the gifts, and then distribute them either at their church or at ICC.

### Ways to Help:

Sponsor a Family  
Sponsor a Child

Donate Money  
Donate Food

Volunteer  
Pray

Please contact Carol at 948-9248, x104 or at [ckannapel@interfaithinc.org](mailto:ckannapel@interfaithinc.org) as soon as possible. These programs are not possible without your help. Anyone can participate. We will be glad to hear from you at any time.



## VOLUNTEER HIGHLIGHTS

### ICC Foundation Honors Volunteers

On September 30 the Interfaith Community Council Foundation hosted a volunteer appreciation luncheon for their hard work and dedication. The event was held at Sam's on Charlestown Road. Attendees heard about the future plans of ICCF and ways that ICCF can assist them with their estate and planned giving goals. We cannot express enough how valuable of an asset you are to our organization.

Thank You again for your time and effort!

### RSVP Spreads The Wealth

Often when people make donations of fabric and other materials used by our RSVP workshops, they include items that those groups can't use such as craft materials, yarns other than 4-ply, upholstery fabric, satin... We've been sharing those with a couple of church pre-schools but would love to spread the wealth. If your church would like to be an occasional recipient of such supplies, please email a list of the types of things you need to [rsvp@interfaithinc.org](mailto:rsvp@interfaithinc.org).



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## YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

### "DEVELOPMENTAL ASSET #20"

#### TIME AT HOME

Young person is out with friends "with nothing special to do"  
two or fewer nights per week!

Children should be encouraged to spend time with friends, but that time should not be idle or without direction. Often boredom can lead to the use of imaginations, and while it is healthy for children to use their imagination, it can sometimes lead to trouble. When a child or teen is looking bored, it is a great opportunity for parents to help them create safe and educational ways to utilize their time. This may require going beyond suggestion and actually participating with them, but participation will benefit both the child and the adult.

When parents take a dynamic role in helping their children stay active and create fun ways to spend their down time, relationships within the family will strengthen. As parents participate more and provide more opportunities for the family to do things together, the children will look to the family, rather than to their peers, for guidance. Also, this creates a great opportunity to teach the children how to utilize their imaginations and be less dependant on others in the future.

Parents should be encouraged to not feel the need to make every activity with a child or teen, "entertainment" focused. While it is important to have fun and capture the attention of the youth, the time spent with children should involve teaching and developing assets within the young person.

Visit [www.youthcount.com](http://www.youthcount.com) to learn more about the 40 Developmental Assets.  
If you are looking for something for your youth to do, contact us at [info@interfaithinc.org](mailto:info@interfaithinc.org). We will try to find something to match his/her interest.

## VAN FOR SALE



#### RSVP IS SELLING ITS VAN!

- ◆ 1996 Dodge Ram, Modified
- ◆ 11 Seats
- ◆ Lift - Equipped
- ◆ 49,000 original miles
- ◆ Wheelchair Accessible
- ◆ Good Condition, One Owner
- ◆ School-bus Style Door
- ◆ Asking \$8,000

Contact: Ceil Sperzel  
812-948-1815  
[rsvp@interfaithinc.org](mailto:rsvp@interfaithinc.org)





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## Expired Drug Toss

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Southern Indiana Triad*

*Pharmaceuticals should never be flushed down the toilet or drain,  
burned in the open or thrown in the trash.*

### 1. **WHY NOT?**

- ◆ They can contaminate the environment if they get into drinking and ground water.
- ◆ Some may kill bacteria in sewage treatment plants and septic systems if flushed down the drain or may produce drug-resistant bacteria.
- ◆ Burning can release toxic pollutants into the air.
- ◆ They can be scavenged from your trash receptacles to be illegally sold or ingested.
- ◆ They can be taken mistakenly and cause serious health problems.

### 2. **WHAT ITEMS WILL BE ACCEPTED FOR SAFE DISPOSAL?**

- ◆ Expired pharmaceuticals
- ◆ Unsealed syrups or eye drops
- ◆ Pharmaceuticals that should have been kept cold but were not
- ◆ Bulk or loose tablets and capsules
- ◆ Unsealed tubes of creams, ointments, etc.

**VERY IMPORTANT**—To assist in identification of the drug, leave all prescriptions in their original container. Feel free to black out your name for privacy.

### Safely Dispose of your Unused Drugs at the Following Sites:

#### **Clarksville Parks Senior Bingo**

Clarksville Community Center  
2311 Giltner Lane, Clarksville  
Thursday, October 9th  
10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

#### **Floyd Co. AARP**

St. John's Presbyterian Church,  
13th and Elm, New Albany  
Friday, October 10th  
12:45 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

#### **L.I.F.T. Group**

Moose Lodge  
1040 S. Indiana Ave., Sellersburg  
Monday, October 13th  
11:00 a.m. – Noon

#### **Ken Ellis Senior Ctr.**

1425 Pennsylvania Ave., Jeffersonville  
Tuesday, October 14th  
11:00 a.m. - Noon

#### **Clark Co. Solid Waste**

9208 Hwy. 62, Charlestown  
Saturday, October 18th  
9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

#### **Mark Elrod Towers**

1 Wolfe Trace, New Albany  
Monday, October 20th  
6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

#### **Riverview Towers**

500 Scribner Drive, New Albany  
Monday, October 27th  
6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

#### **Charlestown Senior Ctr.**

999 Water St., Charlestown  
Tuesday, October 28th  
10:30 a.m. - Noon

**Sponsored By:**  
*Southern Indiana Triad  
Clark County Solid Waste District*

**PLEASE  
POST!**



**Interfaith Community Council, Inc. is a sponsor of this program.**



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Unlock your financial future!!  
Join us!!



*Budgets??*                      *What are they?*  
*How do I clean up my credit report?*  
*What is Predatory Lending?*

The Housing Partnership and the New Albany Housing Authority are sponsoring a set of Personal Finance Classes. If you have questions about budgets, credit reports and more, please plan to join us.

300 Ernie Avenue, New Albany, Indiana

6:30 p.m.—8:30 p.m.

Tuesday, October 21 & Thursday, October 23

Reserve your seat by 10/16/08!!  
Stephanie at 502.585.5451

Call Sherian at 812-206-2047 or  
Child care will not be provided.



**LOUISVILLE BIBLE COLLEGE**  
P.O. Box 91046, Louisville, KY 40291  
502-231-5221, excel@louisvillebiblecollege.org  
Deadline to enroll is October 13.  
Please call for registration information.

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Remember, there is something everyone can do to help someone this holiday season.

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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 personalization order and return by December 3 with your check or money order for \$5.00 (See bonus offer below). Letters will be mailed in early 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**

\_\_\_\_\_ **\$5.00 Santa Letter only**

\_\_\_\_\_ **\$8.00 Both Santa and Easter Bunny letters**

**For more info, call 812-948-1815**

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New Albany, IN 47150



*Working hand in hand with our churches for the growth of the Kingdom.*



# Interfaith Community Council, Inc.

**Leave a 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 948-9248 for more information.

If you have included Interfaith in your Estate Plan, please contact us. We would appreciate hearing from you.



Interfaith Community Council, Inc. is supported by Our Heavenly Father, Metro United Way and through the generous gifts of our church family. Thank you!

