# Monroe County United Ministries





July 2020

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## E-Newsletter

For the duration of the COVID-19 crisis, we will only be issuing an electronic newsletter. Please reach out Mary Jean at <a href="millowger@mcum.org">mjholwager@mcum.org</a> with any questions.

## **Current Needs**

### **Food Pantry**

- Ramen
- Canned Fruit
- Canned Tuna
- Pasta
- Pasta Sauce
- Peanut Butter
- Condensed Soups
- Ready-to-Eat Soups/Chilis
- Crackers
- Helper Meals

### **Cleaning Closet**

- Dish Soap
- Razors
- Shampoo

#### Dear Katie,

Greetings! I hope this e-news finds you safe and staying healthy.

We have expanded our Self-Sufficiency Center hours to Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday 12-4 pm. And, starting August 5, Compass will be back to full capacity. If you have any questions about our current COVID-19 protocol, please reach out.

As always, thank you for your generous support of those who need it most in our community.

Sincerely,

#### Katie

Monroe County United Ministries

# Each One, Feed One A grand success!

We are excited to share that despite the changes in June's Each One, Feed One we raised **over \$1,250** and received **9,025 pounds** of food and cleaning/hygiene items. For reference, these numbers are only slightly lower than what is typically accomplished in an intense weekend of physical labor at the grocery stores.

We are so humbled by the outpouring of support. THANK YOU ALL so very much for spreading the word and hosting drop-off sites. We could not have done this without you --- and we will likely be asking you to join us for Each One, Feed Two (get it?) coming this Fall.

Did you host a drive or donate? <u>Please consider sharing your feedback, here.</u>

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- Conditioner
- Laundry Detergent
- All-purpose cleaners
- Lotion
- Kleenex
- Sponges
- Toothbrushes
- · Bars of Soap

#### **Childcare**

- Markers
- Dry Erase Markers
- Construction Paper
- Glue Sticks
- Plastic Flowers
- Stainless Steel Pots
- Stainless Steel Pans
- Large Stainless Steel
  - Spoons
  - Ladles
  - Spatulas

### **Office Supplies**

- Glue Sticks
- Black and Blue Pens
- AAA & AA Batteries

# Donation Drop Off:

MCUM has developed a MCUM Relief Fund to help our families out financially during this trying time. You can donate to this relief fund online.

MCUM is still accepting food, cleaning, and hygiene items! We will have staff members on site Monday-Friday from 12-4pm to assist in collecting donations through a contact-less drop off.

# When you arrive, please call:

• 812-339-3429 ext 16 or 18

We are very appreciative for the continued support.

# Local Resources:

**Bloomington Food** 



The food collected this year filled our whole conference room!

We'd like to send a special THANK YOU to the congregations, businesses, and organizations who coordinated their own food drives:

- Chase Bank
- Kiwanis Club
- St. Mark's United Methodist Church
- Arlington United Methodist Church
- Scouts BSA Troop 121
- St. Thomas Lutheran Church
- First Presbyterian Church
- United Presbyterian Church
- Unity of Bloomington

To see the complete list of all those that volunteered their time and helped ensure this was a success event, click here!

## **Christmas in July**



It's time to spruce things up! Where we get things a little backward and we put on our ugly Christmas sweaters, pour ourselves a cup of hot chocolate and celebrate the holiday season a little early. July 25 marks just 6 months until the official holiday. Since we're almost halfway there, here at Compass we figured we would have a little fun and do a little good. Will you join us?

To learn more about this campaign or to sign up to be a supporter please go to our <u>website</u> or email <u>Mary</u> <u>Jean</u> for more information.

#### **Resource List**

**Bloomington Chamber of Commerce Resource** Guide

Thank you for helping making this a "holiday" season our Compass kids won't forget!

# August Online Auction Mark your calendars: August 16-30

As most of you know we had to cancel our 2020 Spring Luncheon (Spring Tea, this year) due to COVID-19. To ensure the safety of our staff, volunteers, and supporters, we have decided to host an online auction instead of rescheduling the luncheon.

From August 16-30, we will have an assortment of items for MCUM supporters to peruse and bid on. Please stay tuned for more details!

Can you make a basket for the auction? We need about 20-25 baskets to add to our collection. Examples include: coffee addict, dog lover, fall bbg, etc. Email Madison to learn more or sign up.

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