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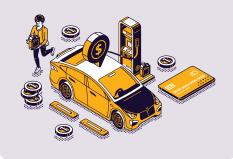
Neighbors Helping Neighbors

The Transportation Crisis in Our Community

Transportation has always been an issue for our neighbors living financially on the edge. Whether it is the costs of keeping up a personal vehicle, the costs and barriers of public transportation, or the availability of transportation at all, this issue is a major challenge for many in our community. An article in the magazine, The Atlantic, makes this point very clear. The article notes, "Access to just about everything associated with upward mobility and economic progress—jobs, quality food, and goods (at reasonable prices), healthcare, and schooling-relies on the ability to get around in an efficient way, and for an affordable price." During the pandemic, we at Crisis Control Ministry wanted to do something to help our neighbors

facing transportation issues. We decided that we would purchase \$25 gas cards and give them to anvone who received financial assistance, as an added form of assistance. The response from neighbors receiving this surprise has ranged from heartfelt thank yous to tears flowing down their faces with gratitude. So how can you help? This year Crisis Control Ministry has decided to focus our Giving Tuesday campaign on raising money and awareness about the transportation crisis in our community. We are asking that you support this effort by giving the best you can on Tuesday, November 29, 2022. After you have enjoyed a wonderful Thanksgiving with your families, let's give our neighbors a reason to give thanks!

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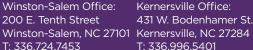


David Richmond, Client Services Coordinator at the Kernersville

The Maracas of Gratitude

Written by David Richmond, Client Services Coordinator at Kernersville Office

In early July, Javier lost his job as a landscaper and began pawning things to pay his bills. At the same time, he received an eviction notice from his landlord. Although he had been making regular lot rent payments, Javier missed a payment in April when he was sick with COVID and now his landlord wanted the account settled. We approved Javier's rent request and provided him with a food order and a gas card. When he came to pick up the check for his rent, Javier gave me a handshake, a hug and a set of maracas from Mexico that were very special to him. He insisted I take them since we had, in his words, saved his home. I assured him that I would keep them in a special place in my office. The maracas serve as a reminder that for a few hundred dollars, we can have a tremendous impact on the life of one of our neighbors.

















Former YWCA Hawley House Resident Gives Thanks

Seventeen years ago, I was a resident of the YWCA Hawley House. At that time, I was unemployed and without adequate healthcare, as well as having strained family relationships, and recovering from substance use. During treatment at the Hawley House, I was diagnosed with depression and insomnia. I had no income to pay for medications, but Crisis Control Ministry was there for me! Thanks to all of the many services they provide in our community, I was able to get back on my feet during a time when I found myself in a crisis.

CCM was there for me until I was stable and employed. Today, I am the Program Director of YWCA Hawley House and truly enjoy serving our ladies. Crisis Control continues to serve Hawley House residents with medication management. Their work is a blessing to all women in crisis until they become self-supporting.

I'm forever grateful to Crisis Control staff and volunteers for still being there!

Concert Collects More Than 5,200 Pounds of Food

Written by Kathy Hoffner, Director of Kernersville Office

On June 25th a concert in memory of Luke White was held at New Beginnings Worship Center in Archdale, NC. Luke passed away on June 28, 2015, at the age of 30. Because of his love for gospel music, his mother. Rhonda White, decided to hold this concert each year in his

memory with the admission being items for the Kernersville Crisis Control food pantry. Collection of the food and personal care items begins weeks before the concert date. This vear's event resulted in the largest collection of food vet, at more than 5,200 pounds! Since this event was first held in 2017, it has supplied 14,239 pounds of food. The monetary value of that food is estimated at over \$38,000!

Performing at this year's celebration were The Shepherds, Mike and Molly Burgess, The Hallelujah Singers, Teen Challenge and Olivia White Jarrell.





Every day, hungry families visit our Client Choice Food Pantries in Winston-Salem and Kernersville. In 2021, more than 7,500 of our neighbors received food from the CCM pantry. Help to keep our shelves stocked while enjoying a fun day at the fair!

Shmedfest 2022 Community Concert

Thank you to everyone who came out to the Shmedfest 2022 Community Concert on August 27 at the Winston-Salem Fairgrounds Clocktower Stage! Three hundred neighbors, friends, and supporters came out to help celebrate the work of Crisis Control Ministry and enjoy live music from Reliably Bad and Souljam. It was a blast! Mark your calendar for Saturday, August 26, 2023, for next year's concert.











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Gift of the Month

Some essential items can't be purchased with food stamps. Please consider donating one or more of the following: dish detergent, shampoo, feminine hygiene supplies, bath soap, laundry detergent, and deodorant.

October: Applesauce (no jars, please)

November: Sugar, Flour,

Baking Items

December: Beef Stew

Hours

Winston-Salem Hours:

Monday - Friday 9 a.m. - Noon 1 p.m. - 4 p.m.

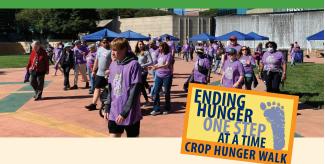
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Be A Volunteer

Our volunteers are the backbone of the ministry. There is a volunteer opportunity for everyone at Crisis Control Ministry. Email volunteer @crisiscontrol.org, or call 336-770-1621 to start volunteering.

Walk To Change Lives



Corpening Plaza Sunday, October 16, 2022

Join us for the 44th annual Winston-Salem/Forsyth County CROP Hunger Walk! Walk with a team, with your family, or as an individual. Together, we can walk to end hunger locally and across the globe.

Visit, www.crophungerwalk.org/ winstonsalemnc to sign up.



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Advantages of Planned Giving Through Your IRA

As we enter the fall season and move closer to the end of the calendar year, now is a good time to start thinking about end-of-year gift planning through your IRA. Contributing from your IRA to Crisis Control Ministry is an easy way to reduce your tax burden while making a significant impact to a cause you care about. Each year in retirement, the IRS requires you to withdraw a certain amount (a required minimum distribution or RMD) from your IRA whether you need the funds or not, and you pay income tax on every distribution you take. You can use part of your distribution instead to direct a gift to Crisis Control Ministry.

If you are 70 ½ or older*, you can make a gift from your IRA account to benefit Crisis Control Ministry or any nonprofit. Gifts made (up to \$100,000 per year) are not reportable as taxable income and qualify toward your required minimum distribution which can lower your income and taxes. If you are married, your spouse may also make a gift up to \$100,000 from his or her IRA, for a total of \$200,000. With an IRA Charitable Rollover, you reduce your taxes, support funding to benefit a nonprofit whose mission you care about and feel good knowing that you were able to make a difference in the lives of those impacted by your gift!

*The Secure Act made major changes to the RMD rules. If you reach age 70 $\frac{1}{2}$ in 2020 or later, you must take your first RMD by April 1 of the year after you reach age 72.

