

WE NEED YOUR TIME,
TALENT and FINANCIAL
SUPPORT!

Community Dinner: Volunteer to coordinate food donations for the dinner or donate food yourself. Volunteer to help set up tables, serve food, and clean up. Utilize your language skills by helping translate for our non-English speaking guests.

Food Ministry: "Rescue" food from area grocers and deliver it to people in need in the community, via our Community Dinner or through local food pantries.

Fundraising: Develop and implement fundraising events and programs, or solicit donations to help Emmaus House meet our goals.

Grant Writers and Administrators: Develop, implement and administer direct fund solicitation focusing on government, corporate, and private grants.

Insurance, Accounting, Legal and Social Work Professionals: Volunteer your professional expertise to assist Emmaus House.

We also need your financial support. We need to raise funds to support our programs for transitional housing and feeding the hungry.

For more info, contact
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In response to God's call, Emmaus House is a ministry of hospitality dedicated to our neighbors who are struggling with poverty and its uncertainties. We provide resources such as shelter, food, and clothing to families and individuals in need, helping them move from crisis to stability. We strive to eliminate the social causes of poverty that affect the people we serve by raising public awareness and advocating for change.

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OUR GOALS

Develop transitional housing for homeless families, 6-24 months with either fully- or partially-subsidized rent, allowing them a period of respite when they can focus their attention and finances on repairing the cause of the crisis.

Raise \$30,000 to pay for housing, social services, transportation, and matching funds for grants.



Reach out to the community with our **Sunday Night Community Dinner**, providing food, clothing, services, infant care products, and welcoming.



Support the community by **rescuing groceries** and making them available to those in need.



Advocate for policy change and continue to raise public awareness of the needs of the hungry and homeless in our neighborhood.

HUNGRY AND HOMELESS PEOPLE IN LAKE COUNTY?

- A recent survey identified more than 1000 people in Lake County without housing.
- St. Francis de Sales Community Dinner helps feed about 125 families every week. The St. Francis de Sales Food Pantry and Clothes Closet helps feed and clothe about 75 families a month.
- There is a shortage of 153,000 units of affordable housing in the Chicago area.
- 40% of the homeless are families with children, one of the fastest growing segments of the homeless population.
- Children who are homeless experience health problems twice as often as other children, and are twice as likely to experience hunger and four times as likely to have delayed development.
- 39% of the homeless are employed. Many people work and continue to experience homelessness, usually because the wages they earn are too low to cover the high costs of living in Northeastern Illinois.
- It takes a full time job making at least \$15.48 an hour to afford a two-bedroom apartment in Lake County.
- There is rarely one single reason why people are homeless -the causes are many and complex, including housing costs, the low wage labor market, domestic violence, and illness.

The name "Emmaus House" is based on the Gospel story about Jesus and The Road to Emmaus, Luke 24:13-35. In the story, two followers of Jesus recognized Him in their presence only after inviting Him to eat and stay with them, and with His breaking of the bread. It is through our service to others that we hope to see Jesus in them as well. The Gospels and our faith call us to do the same thing: to journey with Jesus in his guise as the poor.

You can make a difference!

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