

## **UCM**

The Community Shelter

The Community
Kitchen and Pantry

The Bassett Center and House the Children

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Dear Friends of UCM,

As the weather turns colder and the nights grow longer, many of our neighbors are faced with finding a warm and safe place to sleep and a hot meal. Many of these are children in our community.

The mission statement of United Community Ministries is *to provide a nurturing* and supportive environment for homeless and nearly homeless individuals and families as they move toward wholeness. Our staff and Board of Directors work diligently to make that a reality for those willing to utilize our services.

So far this year, we have provided:

- Food and shelter for 244 men and women at the McDonald Street facility.
- Food and shelter provided for 28 families, including 51 children, at the Bassett Center.
- Nearly 7,000 meals through the soup kitchen and food boxes from the pantry to just under 400 homes.

Every guest at these facilities receives case management, counseling, job training, and educational opportunities to help with money management and locating housing, as well as finding resources to assist with mental disabilities and other healthcare referrals.

Many of our funding sources have been cut, and we struggle to keep the doors open to continue our programs at both facilities. Our current operating budget is just under \$1,875 a day. In order to maintain this, we are reaching out to you, our valued friends and supporters, to help us raise needed funds to continue operating both facilities.

It is our hope that you will consider supporting our efforts by sending us your tax-deductible donation in the envelope provided or through our website at unitedcommunityministries.org. Every dollar received helps UCM keep the most vulnerable men, women, and children in a safe and nurturing environment, as we work to help them become self-sufficient.

On behalf of the UCM Board of Directors and our dedicated staff, thank you for your consideration. We wish you and your family good health and much happiness.

Sincerely,

Cindy Worthy

Cindy Worthy, UCM Chairperson

