

SAMARITAN MINISTRIES

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Knights of Columbus
Holy Cross Council #8509
616 S Cherry St
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Dear Brothers in Christ,

Your generosity ensures that we are present in the lives of our guests each day, providing the very basic needs of food and shelter. Thank you for your recent donation of \$600 to Samaritan Ministries during this summer season.

Hunger and homelessness do not take a summer vacation. The high heat and humidity that July and August bring creates a struggle for our friends who are experiencing homelessness or struggling to make ends meet. We see more people visiting our water fountain and outside restroom to find relief from the heat these days.

We also see more families with children in the Soup Kitchen now that school is out. A few weeks ago, I saw three different families waiting in our lunch line at 11:00 a.m. The children ranged in age from infants to teenagers. One father brought three girls under the age of 8. He not only found a meal for them but a small respite for himself as our volunteers talked with the girls.

That respite from the heat is important for all of our lunch guests right now. The air conditioning gives them a break after walking to and from the bus stop or trudging from downtown. Our volunteers often fill up guest water bottles with ice to take with them after lunch. Recently, I even saw guests leaving Samaritan in wide-brimmed hats that a church donated to help block the sun.

You help make these small acts of kindness – food, shelter, water, encouragement – possible as we seek to meet the needs of our guests. Thank you for being part of our mission of providing food, shelter and hope through Christian love.

Sincerely,

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Jan Kelly
Executive Director

Thank you for giving generously to enable us to meet the very basic needs of food & shelter each day. You are making a difference in individual lives.

Samaritan Ministries has not provided you with any goods or services in exchange for this contribution. You will receive a year-end tax receipt with a summary of your cumulative annual giving.