

# FEEDING THE FUTURE PROGRAMS



One in 10 Minnesotans, or more than 500,000 state residents, experience food insecurity on a regular basis (Source: USDA).

At Good in the 'Hood, we believe that goodness and kindness are change-agent qualities and it is our firm conviction that urban renewal will only take place through a contagious momentum of kindness. Our Feeding the Future programming offers food distribution through food shelves, hot meals, weekend food programs, and more. A key strength of Good in the 'Hood programs is that they are intentionally designed to provide user-friendly service opportunities that engage individual volunteers and teams for community service. We meet our goals by actively providing direct services along with food distribution (food shelves, hot meals, weekend packs, on-campus, mobile delivery), as we listen to the needs of our client guests and offer referrals for supportive services.

Feeding the hungry is an important priority for our organization. Each of our hunger relief programs is designed to meet the needs of those suffering from hunger and food insecurity. Eliminating local hunger enables individuals and families to move past the immediate crisis and to gain stability in life and the capacity to focus toward a better future.

## OUR FEEDING THE FUTURE PROGRAMS INCLUDE:

**FOOD IN THE 'HOOD:** Client-choice food shelves and hot meal programs operated in Bloomington and North Minneapolis serving 2,500 individuals each month.

THE CAMPUS CUPBOARD/FOOD FOR THOUGHT: On-campus food distribution for students at Normandale Community College and Metropolitan State University.

**WEEKEND PACK PROGRAM:** Each week we provide more than 100 children with backpacks filled with food for weekend meals and holiday breaks at several partner schools in South Washington County.

**FOOD-IN-A-BOX MOBILE PROGRAM:** During designated dates and times, this cost-effective and innovative pop-up food program delivers groceries to local host sites to reach individuals and families who have difficulty accessing traditional food shelves.

HOLIDAY HELP: Provides meals and gifts for individual and families during the winter holidays.

BACKPACKS FOR YOUTH: Survival and school supplies and holiday gifts for at-risk and homeless youth.

#### **ABOUT US**



Founder & Executive Director, Rev. Shawn Morrison and Director of Operations/HR, Rev. Jamie Morrison

Founded in 2003, Good in the 'Hood is dedicated to changing lives together with simple acts of kindness. Although our service opportunities are not solely limited to the urban community, we do have a purposeful inner-city affinity and a commitment to serve those with the greatest need. With the support of many generous partners and more than 2,500 volunteers, Good in the 'Hood's food initiatives have grown from simple grocery distributions to a few at-risk families, to our present day services that provide over 700,000 pounds of groceries to bring relief to several thousand underserved families and children.

We believe that goodness and kindness are inspirational, change-agent qualities and it is our firm conviction that urban renewal can only begin to take place when a focused and contagious momentum of genuine kindness is made manifest. Our desire is to inspire individuals, families and entire neighborhoods to take responsibility and ownership for the growth, improvement and well-being of their personal lives and community.

OUR MISSION: To influence, inspire and impact individuals, families and entire communities for good.

**OUR VISION:** Changing lives together with simple acts of kindness.

#### **HOW CAN YOU HELP?**

At Good in the 'Hood, we believe in doing with people, not for people. Our programs are designed to engage people in relationships and create a community for client guests and volunteers alike.

- **VOLUNTEER** in our various programs
- **SPONSOR** a family through our 10-4-1 giving campaign
- ADOPT a family during the holidays
- HOST a shoe drive for our Shoe Away Hunger program and/or sponsor a shoe bus event
- SHARE our mission and website with your employer, friends, family and networks
- FOLLOW us on Facebook and Twitter
- INVITE us to speak with your church or community group
- DONATE funds securely online or by check

"Do all the good you can, by all the means you can, in all the ways you can, in all the places you can, at all the times you can, to all the people you can, as long as ever you can."

- JOHN WESLEY

Together we can become the best version of ourselves through giving and service.

Please see our website for more information.

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### **LOCATIONS**

**CEDARCREST CHURCH (ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES)** 

1630 E 90th St. Bloomington, MN 55425 (612) 440-SHOE (7463)

FIRST STOP DROP-IN CENTER

(in the Lutheran Colportage building) 2101 Chicago Ave. S Minneapolis, MN 55404 Open Monday & Friday 12:00-5:00 pm **SHOE AWAY HUNGER WAREHOUSE** 

8629 Wyoming Ave. N Brooklyn Park, MN 55445 \*Location not open to the public by appointment only

Please see our website for a full list of shoe bus sale locations each month.