Psalm 46:1 "God Is Our Refuge And Strength, An Ever Present Help In Trouble."



# Help's on The Way Fall 2012

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### A Capital Idea

The board of directors of Help's on the Way have begun holding discussions that we hope will move the ministry forward to address the continuing needs of the community we serve. Our intentions include, but are not limited to; retiring our mortgage obligations, expansion of the facilities of our Client Service Center, and to enhance the services of food and clothing distribution along with our message of salvation through Jesus Christ.

In the weeks and months ahead, we plan to present to those of you who have actively supported the ministry a more complete picture of what we hope to accomplish by moving the ministry forward. As always, we firmly believe that Christians have a deep desire to support ministries that have proven to good stewards of donated resources.

Bill Swift, Executive Director

### **Backpack Buddies Update**

Help's on the Way is happy to report that the recently completed Backpack and School Supplies program distributed nearly six hundred backpacks. Partnering with Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church in Northville, Michigan and the many volunteers who helped with packing and distribution are helping many children get off to a good start this school year. Many thanks to all of you who assisted in this program.











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### **Coat and Blanket Program**

Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church and Help's on the Way will conduct the annual Coat and Blanket program beginning Sunday, October 7, 2012 and running through Sunday, November 11, 2012. We will gratefully accept new and "gently used" winter coats and blankets of all types and sizes. Donations at Ward Church will be received at the collection table near Room A113. Please visit the Ward Church website at <a href="https://www.wardchurch.org">www.wardchurch.org</a> for additional information about this program.

Donations delivered to the Help's on the Way Client Service Center, located at 5358 Beech Daly Road in Dearborn Heights, Michigan can be deposited in our clothing donation bin, or delivered to that same location on Tuesday afternoons between 6:00 PM and 8:00 PM.

For those of you with busy schedules and perhaps not in possession of items to donate, we gladly offer the shipping opportunity. Please consider making an online purchase at your favorite retailer of a winter coat or a nice warm blanket, and then have it shipped to our corporate office.

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#### **Bible Donation**

A big thank you for the recent donations of Bibles that have recently been delivered to our Client Service Center. And a big thank you to Single Point Ministries of Ward Church for the donation of five hundred dollars for the purchase of additional Bibles.

## **Urgent Clothing Needs**

The need for infant and toddler clothing, as well as clothing for adult males has become exceptional. Please consider looking in your closets for this type of clothing for which you have no present use.

### Fall Cleanup

Our Client Service Center is in need of a cleanup team to spruce of our facility. If you, your church or organization would like to help in this effort, please contact Jack Schmitt at jack.schmitt@helpsontheway.org

### **Donor Opportunities**

- Help's on the Way depends upon the generosity of hundreds of people to provide food, clothing and spiritual care to many families who are facing difficult times. Over the years, Help's on the Way has assisted nearly fifty thousand men, women and children in a Christian environment. We are staffed entirely by volunteers who donate their time, effort and energy to help the strangers who come to our ministry. We consider ourselves to be good stewards of what we receive from donors, and we are hopeful that you will consider supporting this ministry.
- You can also find a complete listing of client needs, including reading materials, food, personal hygiene
  items, and household supplies on our web site at <a href="helpsontheway.org">helpsontheway.org</a> and by linking to the **Donor Opportunities** page.



Help's on the Way is partnered with Charity Motors and we ask that you please consider donating your car, truck, motorcycle or recreational vehicle to Charity Motors. Information and instructions for donating vehicles can be found at <a href="helpsontheway.org">helpsontheway.org</a> and by linking to the **Donor Opportunities** page, or by calling Charity Motors at (313)255-1000, please remember to designate Help's on the Way as the recipient of your donation.



A convenient method of financially supporting the ministry is available to donors by using PayPal. If you choose to donate by credit or debit card, you are not required to open a PayPal account. Simply log on to helpsontheway.org and link to the **Donor Opportunities** page. For donors who would prefer to set up a monthly twenty dollar subscription, a PayPal account must first be established. Please log on to our web site, helpsontheway.org and link to the **Donor Opportunities** page for a full explanation and the step-by-step process for establishing a PayPal account.

As always, donors may send a financial donation to our corporate office:

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Thanking you in advance for supporting the ministry of Help's on the Way.

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### **Mission Statement**

"Help's On The Way," is a, non-profit 501 (C) (3) incorporated organization, that works to provide nutritional meals and clothing to the community mission field. We define the community mission field, simply as 'all of God's children.'

### **Mission Project**

Our current mission project is the establishment and operation of a facility that will meet the needs of the community as defined above. This building is located at 5358 South Beech Daly Road in Dearborn Heights, Michigan.

### **Our Vision**

With God's grace, Godly inspired leadership, and the assistance of volunteers, both near and far, we hope to accomplish the following:

- Feed and or provide food to those in need.
- Develop and administer a "clothes closet," for those who are in need.
- Provide spiritual inspiration through prayer, distributions of Bibles, "Our Daily Bread" and other Christian periodicals.

Our Client Services Center is located at 5358 South Beech Daly Road in Dearborn Heights, Michigan, one and one-half miles south of Michigan Avenue. We are open for client intake each Thursday, with hours of operation being six to eight-thirty PM. Clients must be in line no later than 7:30 PM. For a complete listing services, times of service, and types of donations we presently accept, please call 734.417.9744, or visit our web site.

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