

MISSION STATEMENT

Crossover Downtown Outreach Ministry is a faith-based, interdenominational mission established to provide free emergency food, clothing, household, personal items, and youth programs to those most in need in our community. Providing faith based services and programs showing the love of Christ, restoring hope, and rebuilding lives.



↑ Ruth Thrash—Friend of Crossover Award Winner 2018!



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Thanks For Joining Us!

On May 2, 2018, we celebrated 27 years of uplifting those in need and the wonderful people, like you, who make Crossover possible every day! We are thankful to and for each of you (those who attended and those who could not!). We were blessed to present our **Friend of Crossover** and **Spirit of Crossover** awards to two very deserving friends!



↑ Ruth Thrash and her family!

The **Friend of Crossover** award was presented by Dawn Vallee to **Ruth Thrash**. Ruth has lovingly demonstrated her faith each year by giving of herself as our board Secretary. She supports Crossover through her words and actions, sharing our story, giving of herself, and uplifting those in need with her time, talent and treasure. It's an honor to be able to recognize her for her generous heart and even more a blessing to share that with her family!



↑ Alicia Faile and Matt Bendall representing the EMHA—**Spirit of Crossover Award** Winner 2018!

The **Eastern Michigan Hockey Association** was named the **Spirit of Crossover Award** winner thanks to their generous 50 Bins in 50 Days campaign. 270 bins of clothing, household goods, personal hygiene items, nonperishable food items and more were collected and delivered to Crossover to be given to those less fortunate! Matt Bendall and Alicia Faile accepted the award for the EMHA and noted how blessed they were to be able to help those in need in such a real and tangible way. He also gave kudos to Tom Carvounis who had the idea to do this collection and made it happen!

Special thanks to Tim Aumaugher of the MDHHS for his wonderful speech about how Crossover (thanks to your gifts) is able to help where they cannot. Crossover is blessed to have such wonderful friends helping ensure our combined legacy by showing the love of Christ, restoring hope and rebuilding lives!

Thank to ALL OF YOU!

Celebrating Karen Dukes' 25 Years of Service

On June 14, 1993, Karen Dukes joined the Crossover team as our Center Coordinator. For the last 25 years, Karen has been at Crossover, serving those in need with love, respect, and compassion! The board of directors will present Karen with a special gift at our June board meeting, honoring her for her loyalty and service to those less fortunate. If you see her around, congratulate her and thank her for her service!

Happy Anniversary, God Bless You, and

Thank You Karen!



Save the Dates—Exciting Events Coming Soon!

Mark your calendars!
You'll want to be there for the first ever

COMEDY FOR CROSSOVER

Friday, September 28, 2018
at the Flint Farmer's Market



Featuring
MICHAEL GREEN
With Tim Rowlands
And Jon Houser

Sinclair
entertainment

Details coming soon to our website
(www.crossoverministryflint.org), our Facebook page, and Twitter feed!

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ANNUAL CHICKEN DINNER

...with all the trimmings!

Sunday, September 16, 2018
11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
at the
Masonic Temple Dining Room
755 S. Saginaw and Fourth
Flint, MI



Details on ticket pricing, advance ticket sales, and more will be posted on Crossover's Facebook page, website, and in supporting church bulletins/newsletters.

Watch for details!

It's CAMP time!

Thanks to you, children will experience God in Nature!

Your generous gifts make it possible for us to send up to 40 underprivileged children entering 3rd through 8th grade in the fall on a week long adventure up north!

Our children all come from families who are unable to afford the luxury of sleep-away summer camp. Thanks to you, our kids will head to Camp



Chickagami in Presque Isle, MI for a week of getting closer to God, having fun, making new friends, and gaining life enhancing skills!

Children have little choice in their circumstances but, with programs like this, we can open their eyes to the God given potential they have within!



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Heading Back to School

Before you know it, summer will be over and kids will be heading back to school! For many families, this is a difficult and stressful time of year. Clothing and school supplies can stress and already minimal budget. That means, many children return to school in worn-out clothing, hand-me-downs that don't fit properly.

Our goal is to help these kids return to school confident and prepared! With your help, Our kids are blessed with two new outfits (including socks and underwear), a new pair of shoes, and a backpack full of age appropriate school supplies!

There are many ways YOU can help send children in need back to school ready to learn, breaking down barriers so they can achieve their fullest potential! Use the enclosed envelope to make a donation...donate a new backpack...volunteer like our friends in the picture...donate school supplies...give online via PayPal...



However you choose to help, your gifts will make a difference in the life of a child in need!



Gifts of Memory

We offer our deepest sympathies to those who have suffered the loss of a loved one and we are truly grateful for the loving donations in their memory.

John Clippard: by his girls

Willa Mae Hagstrom: by Lenore Calvert

Jeff Minkler: by Amy Minkler

Norm Myers: by Ken & Carol Smith

Elaine Wansitler: by Herb & Dawn Wansitler Jr.

Don Wolfe: by Jim & Maureen Jarrard

Gifts of Honor & Celebration

Thank you for helping those less fortunate while honoring loved ones or celebrating the milestones in these peoples lives:

Connie at Roberts Tax Service: by Craig & Sarah Leavitt

Herb Wansitler: by Herb & Dawn Wansitler Jr.



Special thanks to all who gave toward the March Against Hunger Campaign! You helped us earn an extra \$2,000 credit with the Food Bank of Eastern Michigan to purchase food for those most in need!

THANK YOU!





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Building on our Legacy • Ensuring our Future

Moving forward...literally! As the need for our services continues to expand, and the condition of our current building declines, Crossover continues the process of building a new facility.

The final house on our lot next door has been moved! The home, a lovely house with a bad foundation, will be placed on a new foundation a block over, helping to retain the look of the neighborhood while clearing the land for development of a new Crossover. This move will allow us to improve services and further improve the look and feel of our Grand Traverse neighborhood.

As we carefully, prayerfully, and meticulously move forward, we are keeping stewardship first and foremost with this project.



Thank you for keeping Crossover in your prayers as we move forward.

Urgent Needs...

HOUSEHOLD: Silverware, Regular Drinking Glasses, Washcloths, Twin Sheets

CLOTHING: Men's Shoes & Clothing

FOOD: Peanut Butter, Mac & Cheese, Soup

Thank You!