



Compassionate Hands, Anchored in Faith.

BHMC Partner Ministry

Lancaster County Council of Churches

About LCCC

Putting Compassion into Action

The Lancaster County Council of Churches has four core programs: Food Hub, Clothing Bank, Winter Shelter and Wheels to Work.

- LCCC Food Hub provides fresh and healthy food to over 100 families on a daily basis. In one year, the Council worked with 31,000 clients. In collaboration with Central Pennsylvania Food Bank, the Council is able to purchase food at a fraction of the retail price. \$1.00 can purchase six meals and \$10 can buy \$50 pounds of groceries. The Food Hub serves as an essential component to the Hunger-Free Lancaster County Coalition, which aims to eliminate hunger in Lancaster County by 2018. The Council of Churches also offers classes in nutrition and cooking so that we can all learn more about healthy choices and how to prepare and store food.
- The Council of Churches partners with over 46 congregations who host Community Meals. Free and hot meals are served three times a day, Monday through Sunday, to anyone looking for a meal and for companionship. Last year, the Community Meals program served over 140,000 meals.
- Last year, the Clothing Bank distributed more than \$750,000 worth of clothing to over 6,000 men, women and children who visited and made their own selections. Together with the Department of Human Services and CareerLink, the Clothing Bank also supports the PA Workwear Program, which makes business attire available when job opportunities arise.
- For the sixth year, the Council of Churches, in partnership with the YWCA Lancaster, provides an emergency cold weather shelter for women and children. The shelter can accommodate up to 46 women and children with a warm, safe and dry place to stay overnight during the winter season. Through collaboration with the Community Homeless Assessment and Referral Team (CHART), guests are able to work on long-term housing solutions.
- The Wheels-to-Work program sells safe, reliable cars well below retail prices. Reliable transportation is not only convenient but necessary when it comes to getting a job, making certain families get to where they need to be and having mobility choices.

Operating our facility and the programs the Council offers costs \$2500 every day. Our new location has meant greater access to the community and greater access has meant an increase in the demand for our services. At our previous location the Council saw 40 people a day, while currently we are serving over 100 clients daily. In an effort to meet that need, we very much appreciate your support.

BHMC Connection:

- Lisa White Cameron serves on the Board
- BHMC volunteers for the emergency winter shelter for women and children
- Jim S. Amstutz is the Executive Director

Here is how you can help.

Volunteer: contact Lindsay Hess, Director of Service Ministries, at 717-690-8042.

Donation Drop-Off Hours are Monday through Friday, 9:00 am to 4:00 pm. For Clothing Donations, please drop off at 27 W. Clay Street, Lancaster.

Come for a **visit!**

Financial Donations can be made online or sent to:

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