

Director's Report
First Quarter Board Meeting
January 20, 2022

We have seen about 250 different families for a total of 531 visits this quarter. This includes those who come on a regular basis, as well as those who come one-time only. In addition to food, these families received 4300 pieces of used clothing, 100 packages of diapers, 80 sets of used linens, 107 sets of towels, 50 blankets, and various household items.

We continue to thank God for a wonderful group of volunteers. In tracking the number of volunteers and their hours of service, I have been amazed at the dedication. In the past three months, there have been 54 regular volunteers, working a total of 1,629 hours! In addition, there were many who helped with the Thanksgiving project (I don't have the exact number) and 45 different people who worked 230 hours during the Christmas projects.

GRANTS

The following grants were received for 2021/2022 Fiscal Year:

\$1,000 from Delano Foundation for purchase of diapers

\$2,000 from Delano Foundation for purchase of winter coats

\$6,000 from Delano Foundation for utility assistance (heat and electricity)

\$1,000 from Delano Foundation for gas cards

We will be submitting a request to DUCC for Back-to-School clothing.

Thanksgiving

340 families received food baskets. This included 99 from local churches, 119 from Pullman, and 122 CN clients. Once again, we are grateful to Mike Johnson of Coral Gables who donated 100 turkeys. Beth Huffman and Donna Carrillo were co-chairs of this project.

Gift of Love

We were blessed again this year to receive the donation of new toys through First Responders Childrens' Foundation. We also received gifts from local families and churches as well as The Garden Club, The Women's Club, and Santa's Elves.

130 families received a food basket. Also families without children were able to receive a gift – blanket, towels, or small appliance.

117 families took advantage of the opportunity to shop for pajamas and sweat suits/hoodies for each of their children. 336 children and teens received clothing and toys or gifts. Because of the generous toy donation, each child received 2 items. Many were expensive toys – i.e. American Girl Dolls, riding toys, blue tooth speakers, soccer balls, footballs, and much more. There were also many stocking stuffers for each one as well as the family received one gift – blanket, towels, or small appliance.

Electric, Heat and Rent Assistance – October - December

Electric - 24 families

Heat – 16 families

Rent – 33 families

These numbers are about 2 times as many as the same months last year.

Total spent was \$27,475 - an increase of about 268% over last year