

# Helping Hands Ministries of Harrisburg, Inc.

Serving the  
homeless and  
needy for over  
28 years

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Fall 2022

## Serving

**We serve an amazing God.** This is Gods ministry and I am just a vessel. We are **feeding the hungry** and trying to meet their needs; we are about **relationships**: prayers, hugs an encouraging words, acceptance, and love. I say "we have served in rain, snow, sleet, hail, tornado and hurricane winds, sunshine and covid. God is so good.

It's always great to support the vendors that support **Helping Hands Ministries of Harrisburg**. They are kind enough to donate so to show your appreciation please tell them thank you by patronizing their establishments. You can always tell the manager too. Our vendors: **CHIK-Fil-A and Wegmans on the Carlisle Pike**.

Towards the end of the sabbatical of serving outside 5 night a week we served Thanksgiving and Christmas (2021) then after serving New Years Day 2022, we were cooking and preparing food weekly and putting food into containers, and taking them downtown.

Praise God we are **now serving Thursdays inside St. Michael Lutheran Church**. Thanks to Anne, Paul who are our regular hosts and thanks to Barry and Hope the back up hosts. Besides serving a hot meal, we give blankets and socks to those in need.

I am so **thankful for the volunteers** who faithfully come to serve, they are on the frontline giving to those in need.

**We are serving a Thanksgiving meal on Thursday, Thanksgiving.**

We are "helping hands" not just one set of hands. Your hands" are always appreciated. We are serving inside St. Michael Lutheran Church 118 State Street. It is truly a blessing to have your help and your willing heart.

Thank you Paul for picking up Chick-Fil-A and a huge thank Bob and Chris for helping me cook and taking the food to the church to serve. Chris is also our dishwasher thank you so much. And of course I am always appreciative of my husband who is s the behind the scenes man and picks up the donation of bread and sweets from Wegmans. As you can see our food donations have really gone down so we are having to buy food.

**Hebrews 13:2**  
**Do not forget to entertain strangers, for by so doing some have unwittingly entertained angels.**



Christmas outside 2021



## You Make a Difference

White socks are always needed, as well as blankets, and mats made from plastic bags.

**Operation Warm Hearts** have made hats, scarves, blankets. Thank you.

**Pray** for all involved with this ministry: those who come to serve and those who come to eat at hot meal. Some have jobs, some have gotten off the street and have a roof over their head and some are fighting addiction.

Please **pray!** Prayer works! Your prayers make a difference for **all the people** involved in HHM. Everyone is struggling especially now: finances, addictions, physical, psychological issues or a mixture of these.

### Needs

We need **hot sauce**, forks, napkins, **SUGAR and creamer PACKETS**. WE are **GREEN** so we do **NOT USE Styrofoam** plates, bowls or cups. BUT we do use paper products **Needed are PAPER plates** (not the flimsy plates we would have to use 3) **and 8 oz. hot/cold cups**

Network: **FACEBOOK**

### Contact Us

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Thursday, 430p-530p

2020 was a tough year many people from restaurants to ministries to us personally. We increased our serving days to five nights a week serving outside for over a year. Restaurants changed their menu and started making less food which meant less food donated. Our costs went up and donations went down and it took a toll on me physically. I had quite a few surgeries that year and in 2021 as well as covid, hence taking a sabbatical so I could let me body heal. Fast forward to Thanksgiving 2021 we served a Thanksgiving meal outside and then Christmas and New Years as well. The first week n January we started preparing meals and putting them in to go containers and taking them downtown to the hungry. After doing that for months, St. Michaels opened their doors (again) to us coming in to serve on night a week. We are so blessed.

Giving thanks always for all things to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ...



1 Corinthians 10:31  
Therefore, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God.

### Donations

Thank you to all who are financially donating to HHM. Please consider partnering with us on a monthly basis as we continue to do God's work in the Harrisburg area.

We will be needing **turkeys and hams** for our holiday meals. Thanks.

We are a **totally volunteer operated organization!**

When you purchase on Amazon use:

<https://smile.amazon.com/ch/25-1777667>

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Meet B. I have known him for many, many years he used to hang out with couple ladies (who have died) as drinking buddies. As we know alcohol can take its toll on the body. B has been fighting liver cancer and is may go to Philly to the cancer center; he knows it's a one way trip; he will go there to die. He's not sure he wants to go; he would be far from friends and family and die alone. We have had the discussion about the Lord and salvation. Bill has accepted the Lord.



*When you donate to Helping Hands Ministries of Harrisburg, Inc., you are helping a Vet. **Thank you veterans** for serving our country, It is a privilege and honor to serve you.*

### Behind the Scenes

Since Helping Hands Ministries of Harrisburg is downsizing—serving one day a week—we have some cooking equipment for sale. The cost of electricity and the cost of propane have gone way up, donations down, and since we are serving one night a week we don't need so many freezers, or fridges. I have 2 freezers both Frigidaire and a large French door, freezer on the bottom Whirlpool refrigerator. I also have stainless large pans and 6 inch square smaller pans, also serving utensils, spoons slotted and not.

Please call 7179194383 if interested.

God has provided for over 28 years and seen us through tough times.