

#### CENTERPOINT ASSISTANCE FUND

Every family needs a safe place to live, and so often in the face of financial hardships, steep electricity bills jeopardize this need. For years The Salvation Army has assisted customers to keep them housed. That is why we are excited for the new CAF partnership with CenterPoint Energy which provides families with \$300 toward their utility bill and unlocks additional resources to support ongoing needs. Over 2,000 families have been served.

### **BREAKING THE CYCLE OF POVERTY**

Our Pathway of Hope Program offers a way to rise above, for families tired of struggling and following the same habits inherited from the family before them. It offers mentorship for families ready for change and helps them accomplish goals in employment, education, housing, transportation, and budgeting. Designed to break the cycle of generational poverty, Pathway of Hope helps families achieve sufficiency and the tools to thrive.

#### **EMERGENCY DISASTER SERVICES**

The Salvation Army mobilizes officers, employees, volunteers, and mobile food trucks to provide emergency services to victims and first responders on a local, regional and national level. Spiritual and emotional counseling, emergency shelter, food, water and financial assistance are provided at crucial moments to aid in response and recovery.

## SALLY'S KITCHEN

"No one goes hungry at The Salvation Army" - It's a statement lived out everyday at The Salvation Army of Evansville. Over 200 meals are served daily, with volunteers and staff using donations to provide a warm and nutritious meal to the hungry. Over 100 families week are able to choose groceries through our pantry.

#### YOUTH PROGRAMS AND CAMPS

The Salvation Army offers weekly youth programs that build character, offer a safe space for young people, and provide transportation. Summer day camp is offered for families needing childcare. Children can also attend overnight camp at Hidden Falls Camp which is a 700-acre camp near Bedford featuring nature trails, indoor pool, fishing, high ropes course, archery range and cabins. Camp week options include STEAM, music, art, discipleship, and age specific camps, with a focus on development of body, mind, and spirit.

#### **TOY TOWN**

Captures the spirit of the Christmas season by providing gifts and food to 1,100 families struggling during the Holiday season. Christmas is about loving and caring for others, and by partnering with Toys for Tots and 14 News, the Toy Town event is a beacon of hope for struggling families across southern Indiana.





226,652 NUTRITIOUS MEALS & GROCERIES PROVIDED



4,991
DAYS OF RENTAL &
HOUSING ASSISTANCE



**13,829** Toys & books for kids



15,957
PERSONS PROVIDED
BASIC SOCIAL SERVICES



5,426
WORSHIP & FAITH
BUILDING
EXPERIENCES



1,351
PERFORMING ARTS
EXPERIENCES

# STORY OF HOPE

Mark, a veteran, father, and husband, called The Salvation
Army of Evansville searching for help. The previous month,
Mark's factory job reduced his hours, and he was only just going back
to full time. Together, he and his wife had a 10-year-old son who was
nonverbal and autistic. Usually, their son goes to a daycare through the school
system, but the daycare was temporarily closed. His wife had to leave her job to
stay at home and be the caregiver for their child. Mark and his family were over
\$1,000 behind in rent and several hundred dollars behind in their utility bills. They
had never asked for help before; they've always been able to handle the ups and downs
of life, but this burden was too much. Mark and his family called in tears, desperate for
help of any kind as they were facing an eviction notice. The caseworkers on staff were
ready to help and began asking questions and learning more about their situation. Mark
and his family were able to delay the eviction, pay their utility bill, and left with groceries!

This story, and others like it, are only possible with monetary donations and volunteer bellringers supporting our mission. If you aren't in a position to contribute monetarily, consider a gift of time in advocating for those in need by ringing the bell.



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## OUR MISSION:

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