

UNITED METHODIST COMMUNITY MINISTRIES

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Westside Free Store Ministries

Celebrating Two Years of Sharing Resources, Building Relationships and Creating Christian Community



Located in the heart of the “Hilltop,” Westside Free Store Ministries (WFSM) is operated by an all-volunteer staff and has welcomed over 40,000 individuals to share the abundance of God’s blessings since its doors opened in 2004.



SHARING RESOURCES

Founded on the steadfast belief that God abundantly provides for all people, WFSM is open three days a week, offering clothing, household goods, books, toys, small appliances and more to anyone and everyone.

Our shopping friends find many of the items they need, without cost, enabling them to better use their often limited budgets. WFSM offers a community nurse for well-check scanning, a social services representative to help our friends find other services they might need, a healthy snack and coffee while shoppers wait, and periodic ESL and SSL classes. We’re also the home of a local AA group. Most importantly, WFSM provides a safe, welcoming place where people can meet people and share in life’s journey.



BUILDING RELATIONSHIPS

As shopping friends encounter one another, genuine friendships have formed over time. Today, friends look for each other every time WFSM is open. It’s a place to gather, to talk, to share stories, to share life. Many people, volunteers and shoppers alike, come just to visit.

We are blessed to have a large Ministry Center where people can gather, and on Saturday’s we share a meal provided through Sarah’s Kitchen, another WFSM ministry. We have volunteers and support from 39 different congregations and shoppers come from more than 12 nations. Together, we all share the gift of God’s love and the abundance of God’s blessings.

CREATING CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY

Everything we do at WFSM is for the purpose of creating Christian Community. We share the abundance of the resources God provides in order to demonstrate God’s grace and the love of Christ. We deliberately seek to build relationships with our new friends so that we may be Christ’s love in our corner of the world.

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WESTSIDE FREE STORE MINISTRIES (Continued)

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Everyone is welcome to come experience God's grace at WFSM. Volunteers and shoppers are always welcome.

Donations of materials such as clothing, toys, books, linens, small household appliances, shoes and coats are always welcome. Of course financial support is also greatly needed and deeply appreciated.

For more information on WFSM, please contact us at:

SJR1073@gmail.com (E-mail)

(614) 351-5480 (Phone)

Or just stop by and pay us a visit.

Westside Free Store Ministries Hours:

Mondays, 10:00 a.m. -1:00 p.m.

Thursdays, 3:00-6:00 p.m.

Saturdays, 12:00-3:00 p.m.

Sarah's Kitchen begins serving on Saturdays at 11:00 a.m.

Please keep WFSM in your prayers as you are in ours.



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