



THE SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT de PAUL OF BROWN COUNTY

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Highlights & Gratitude for Your Support for A Community that Cares

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Thank you for your support of St. Vincent de Paul's (SVDP) programs and services in Brown County. 2024 marks 35 years of continuous service to our neighbors in need. Whether you are a volunteer, a financial donor, a member of our prayer team, or a community ally, you are making a difference. Here are some highlights. With gratitude, Shirley Boardman, Volunteer Secretary, sboardma@iu.edu 812-322-8605



Our children—For 20 years, SVDP has provided a **Back to School Program**. 5308 vouchers have been redeemed for shoes, socks, clothing and back to school supplies. In 2023, 756 students redeemed vouchers for \$60 at Walmart in Columbus totaling \$44,463. In addition, parents were provided fuel cards totaling \$10,950.

For more than 25 years, we have offered a **Christmas Celebration** where parents, grandparents and guardians may select gifts, books, clothing and personal care items for their children. More than 500 were served this year. Hundreds of hours of volunteer time make this possible. Some work all year long to prepare or purchase gift items.



Our volunteers—In the past fiscal year, volunteers donated 14,156 hours at the warehouse, in the community, on the road, picking up and sorting donations and food, delivering appliances, distributing food & keeping records. In 2023, volunteers came together to construct a building to provide a “**home goods**” distribution center providing 1024 square feet of climate controlled space.

Food distributions were offered at 2901 Long Lake Road & St. David's Episcopal Church in 2023. 187,375 pounds of food was provided at 3316 household distributions. This represented food for 12,113 individuals & 3215 children (duplicate count). 157 new households were enrolled.



Miles driven—Nearly all food comes from outside Brown County requiring hours of driving. Volunteers also pick up and deliver donations. In fiscal year 2023, volunteers drove 66,198 miles.



A total of \$146,266 was received in income in Fiscal Year 2023 (October 1, 2022-September 30, 2023). We expended \$165,540 and drew funds from our reserve. Funds were received from grants, faith communities, social organizations, and hundreds of individuals. Our volunteers frequently donate their own funds.

Want to help? We need volunteers to help with food distribution, sorting donations, and truck drivers (CDL not required). SVDP is a 501(c)(3) not for profit and all donations are tax exempt to extent of law. No goods or services are provided in exchange for donations. *No SVDP funds were expended for this mailing or any other mailings you receive.*

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