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*For the poor shall never cease out of the land: therefore I command thee, saying, Thou shalt open thine hand wide unto thy brother, to thy poor, and to thy needy, in thy land. Deuteronomy 15: 11*

Letter from the Director…

June has come and gone! The summer always brings families to the Ministry. Last week we had a family with five children all looking for clothes. In the mist of giggles and playing, they found clothes to help them get through summer and into school.  The Ministry continues to work with different programs, letting people get “on the job” training here so they can be better prepared for the work place.

We continue to help the elderly.  John worked his whole life, had a stroke and tried to manage himself. After five years, he went to Social Services, because social security payments are based on the last five years, he doesn’t receive very much. John wanted to let everyone know how appreciative he is that the Ministry is here to help.

Remember our **24TH ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT IS August 17** and the **SECOND ANNUAL AMAZING RACE AGAINST HUNGER IS OCTOBER 6**! Don’t forget to go to our website   <https://christianministryoflincolncounty.org/fundraisers>   and see how you can get involved!

We were busy in June…

**Emergency Services** helped 1705 individuals.  512 families with food, 41 families with utilities/rent, 63 families were given fans, 54 showers were taken, and 211 families were helped with furniture/household items & personal items. **LINC Home Meals**delivered 1541 meals. The **Soup Kitchen** served 3393 meals to 2824 individuals.

Everyone knows it has been extremely HOT.  Can you imagine being the mama needing clothes for her kids or John, a senior citizen, needing food, or any of the people needing help from emergency services or the soup kitchen? Please pray for the people that rely on the Ministry. Pray for the Ministry to have the finances and resources to meet those needs and pray for the volunteers and staff that are trying to bring it all together.

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**LINC MEALS…  DESPERATE NEED FOR LINC DRIVER**

**Do you have one hour to give to our LINC Meals Home Deliver Program? Call Mimi and ask about our LINC Home Meal Program… you will be glad that you did, as we go to volunteer to help those who need our help, we find Blessings in our own Spirit as well.**

We need drivers for the **West Lincoln route for the 1st Wed of every month**; we also **need a driver for our Boger City 2 route for the 2nd & 4th Thursday** of every month.  You will be trained before you start.  Contact Mimi Rhyne at 704-732-0383, Mon-Friday 9am-1pm or email her at [lincmeals@aol.com](mailto:lincmeals@aol.com)

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**SPECIAL REQUEST FOR THE SOUP KITCHEN**

We need cooks, if you can work a stove and cook a meal then we need you!

Our weekday supply of volunteer cooks (Monday – Friday 9am-1pm) has dwindled and we need cooks to help serve those who come every day for a hot cooked meal.  If interested, call Tracy at 704-748-4961

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**NEWS FLASH……..**

**EMERGENCY SERVICES IS ASKING FOR BACK TO SCHOOL ITEMS:**

**LARGE BACK PACKS,  PAPER (WIDE RULE ONLY), GLUE STICKS, COMPOSITION NOTEBOOKS (NOT SPIRAL), 2" BINDERS,**

**3X5 INDEX CARDS.**

**COMMUNITY INVOLEMENT WITH CHRISTIAN MINISTRY…**

The Soup Kitchen has been chosen by **BI-LO** Store Leadership as the benefiting non-profit to receive a donation through the Community Bag Program for the month of **JULY.**

**What is the Community Bag Program?**Simple, The Christian Ministry Soup Kitchen will receive a $1 donation every time a $2.50 reusable Community Bag is sold in July at the Bi-Lo Store located at 742 West Highway 27 in Lincolnton.

**Family Dollar in Boger City** is having a cookie drive for Christian Ministry.

Drop the Family Dollar and purchase a package of cookies and place in their specially prepared cookie bins for Christian Ministry.

\*Special Note: Weekend & Holiday Soup Kitchen Volunteers, please be sure to return the Soup Kitchen Key to Tracy the next following work week so others can use the key for their day to serve.  Thank You!

**Our website has many opportunities to serve those who are in need in our community, please take a few minutes to go to**[**www.christianministryoflincolncounty.org**](http://www.christianministryoflincolncounty.org/)**to see how you and your church or organization can be a part of God’s Mission to serve and love all humanity.**

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**FOOD PANTRY NEEDS….**

**Current Food Needs:**

**CHEF-BOY-R-DEE FOODS, CRACKERS,  POP-TOP CANNED MEATS, CANNED BEANS (NOT GREEN BEANS)**

**Other Needs:**

**CLOTHES DETERGENT, TOILET PAPER**

**CLICK THE LINK BELOW FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT OUR NEEDS:**

<https://christianministryoflincolncoun.godaddysites.com/ministry-needs>

**SOUP KITCHEN…**

See our website:

<https://christianministryoflincolncoun.godaddysites.com/soup-kitchen>