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# On-Site Coordinator

## Please support Project Hope during Giving Tuesday! Helping Neighbors ~ Improving Lives ~ Spreading Blessings

Monday, Wednesday & Friday

Office Hours:

- 4:00 p.m.

9:00 a.m.

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9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Tuesday & Thursday

Website: projecthopeomaha.org

Like Us: On Facebook

### Project Hope+ HAPPENINGS

Share your food with the hungry . . . Give clothes to those who need them.

Isaiah 58:7

### **Autumn Edition** October 2024

Project Hope, Inc. is a non-profit organization which provides food and clothing assistance at no cost to families in need.

### **Donate Your Dollars:**

On our website projecthopeomaha.org or send to us in the mail. Envelope provided inside.

**Direct your Thrivent Choice Dollars to Project Hope.** 

**Baker's Community Rewards Program:** Information inside.

**Our Family Brands Direct Your Labels Program:** Details inside.

### Spark Good @ Walmart:

Round Up program information inside.

TAGG Us: Download Together A Greater Good app from Google Play and TAGG us at participating retail businesses.

### **Donate Food & Clothing:**

At our main pantry site. Tuesday & Thursday 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

### **Pantry Locations and Hours Main Food Pantry**

6201 N 60th St Monday, Wednesday, & Friday 11:00 a.m. - 2:45 p.m.

### **Clothing Pantry**

Tuesday & Thursday 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

### **Satellite Food Pantry** St. Matthew Lutheran Church

1725 S 60th St 3rd Saturday of the Month 10 a.m. - Noon

### Lutheran Church of the Master

2617 S 114th St

1st Sunday of the Month Noon - 2 p.m. 3rd Monday of the Month 4 - 5:45 p.m.

### **Clients Served July - September 2024**

Average Households per Month — 590 Average Individuals per Month — 1,973

### Inside this issue:

Giving Tuesday Fundraiser Thank You to Our Donors Donation Items Needed Tortellini Soup Recipe

### **Mission & Value Statements**

Helping Neighbors ~ Improving Lives ~ Spreading Blessings
We are called to feed and clothe God's people in need.
We believe nutritious food contributes to good health.
We value people with love, hope, compassion and dignity.

### **Support Project Hope on Giving Tuesday**



Donations can be mailed to Project Hope, completed on our web-site @ www.projecthopeomaha.org via PayPal, or via the SHARE Omaha website. Search: Project Hope. Share how you helped Project Hope on Tuesday, November 28 via social media using the hashtag #GivingTuesday402.



Our Bread for Life event in September raised over \$15,000.

Thank you to everyone who participated!!

### TORTELLINI SOUP



3/4 pound Italian turkey sausage links, remove casings
1 medium onion, chopped 6 garlic cloves, minced
2 cans (14-1/2 ounces each) reduced-sodium chicken broth
1 can (14-1/2 ounces) diced tomatoes, undrained

1-3/4 cups water 1/4 teaspoon pepper
1 package (9 ounces) refrigerated cheese tortellini
1 package (6 ounces) fresh baby spinach, coarsely chopped
2-1/4 teaspoons minced fresh basil or 3/4 teaspoon dried basil
Dash crushed red pepper flakes & Shredded Parmesan cheese, optional

Crumble sausage into a Dutch oven; add onion. Cook and stir over medium heat until meat is no longer pink. Add garlic; cook 1 minute longer. Stir in broth, tomatoes and water. Bring to a boil. Add tortellini; return to a boil. Cook for 5-8 minutes or until almost tender, stirring occasionally. Reduce heat; add spinach, basil, pepper and red pepper flakes as desired. Cook 2-3 minutes longer or until spinach is wilted and tortellini are tender. Serve with cheese if desired.

Serving Size: 1-1/3 cups: 203 calories, 8g fat (2g saturated fat), 40mg cholesterol, 878mg sodium, 18g carbohydrate (5gsugars, 3g fiber), 16g protein.

### PANTRY NEEDS

**YOUR** pantry donations go directly to our clients and we thank you for your kindness.



### **OUR GREATEST NEEDS ARE:**

**FOOD NEEDS:** Cereal, Cereal Bars, Granola Bars, Oatmeal, Pancake Mix, Pancake Syrup, Applesauce, Canned Vegetables, Canned Beans (Baked, Black, Chili, & Refried), Canned Meats (Chicken, Salmon, Sardines, Tuna, etc.), Rice or Pasta Sides, Ramen Noodles, Tuna & Hamburger Helper, Pasta, Mac & Cheese, Canned Pasta Sauce (not glass jars), Tomato Sauce, Diced Tomatoes, Salsa, Box Potatoes, Peanut Butter, Jelly, Condiments (Ketchup, Mayo, Mustard, BBQ Sauce, & Salad Dressings), Small Bottles Cooking Oil, and Microwave Popcorn.

**BABY NEEDS:** Baby Wipes, **Diapers Sizes 5 and 6 only**, & Pull-ups all sizes. **PERSONAL CARE PRODUCTS:** Shampoo, Body Wash, Bar Soap, Toothpaste & Toothbrushes, Hand Sanitizer, Hand Soap, & Deodorant.

**PAPER PRODUCTS:** Toilet Paper, Facial Tissue and Paper Towels. **HOUSEHOLD PRODUCTS:** Small Bottles of Liquid Dish Soap, Small Bottles or Pods of Laundry Detergent, and General Kitchen/Bathroom Cleaners.

### **Dillons Community Rewards Program**

If you shop at **Bakers** and have a Dillons Food Store rewards card; you can now link your Dillons card to **Project Hope**.

### Go to http://www.bakersplus.com.

Sign into your account or create your account.

Open—My Account. Scroll down to Community Rewards.

Search for and select **Project Hope or #AK280**.

You are now raising money for Project Hope.

Remember to scan your Rewards card each time you checkout.

Thank You!



### Walmart Spark Good Round Up Program

Go to Walmart.com/SparkGood and choose Project Hope as your charity. You can now

round up your change and the extra money will be donated to us when you shop on the Walmart app or Walmart.com.

Thank you for rounding up!

### Our Family Brands Direct Your Labels



Buy Our Family brand products – save the UPC barcodes from those cans, boxes and bottles – help Project Hope.

Send your UPC barcodes to Project Hope.

For each bundle of 500 Our Family UPC barcodes we collect, we will earn \$25 we can use to purchase food for our clients.

Thank you for sending in your Our Family UPC labels.



### **Legacy Gifts**

When making your estate plans, please consider making a legacy gift to Project Hope. We now have an Endowment Fund through the ELCA Foundation Ministry Growth Fund.

We Need Volunteers Willing to Lend Us Helping Hands Monday thru Friday 9:30 am—3:00 pm



Please contact Jennifer via email at projecthope.jennifer@gmail.com or call us at 402-453-7649 to schedule volunteer time and if you have any questions about volunteering.

### **CLOTHING PANTRY IS OPEN**

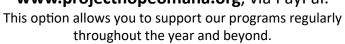
TUESDAY & THURSDAY 11:00 AM—2:00 PM

We are accepting only autumn & winter clothing including coats, boots, hats and gloves. Please remember that clothing items must be clean and gently used.

Donations are accepted Tuesday & Thursday between 10:00 am and 3:00 pm.

### **Scheduled Giving**

Schedule your gift through our website at www.projecthopeomaha.org, via PayPal.



Project Hope also has the ability for you to donate portions of your personal stock investments to support our mission via our Charles Schwab account. This option may provide you with tax benefits.

Please contact us to complete a transfer transaction.





### THANK YOU!!



THANK YOU to the church members who have provided food for Project Hope during July, August, and September 2024. We appreciate your continued support and help with our mission.

St. Michael Lutheran Church Immanuel Lutheran Church Resurrection Lutheran Church Lutheran Church of the Master Lord of Love Lutheran Church Augustana Lutheran Church St. John's Lutheran Church, Omaha Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church Liberty Church Bethel Lutheran Church St. Thomas Lutheran Church Mount Olive Lutheran Church Zion Lutheran Church St. Marks Lutheran Church Mount Calvary Lutheran Church

St. Matthew Lutheran Church

Blessings to all of you for remembering our neighbors!



### Thank you to these groups for their donations during July, August, and September!

Saving Grace for delivering food items twice weekly. Whispering Roots organization for providing many food items. Hy-Vee Peony Park donating grocery sacks. BP Corporation donated food, toiletry items, and diapers. Sons of Norway donating diapers. Wenninghoff's Farmer's Market donated egg cartons and vegetables.

FiberFirst donating food items.

Nebraska State Probation donated food items. Lord of Love Lutheran Church for garden produce.

### **Grants Received 3rd Quarter 2024**

MetLife Foundation \$10,000 for Food. Walmart Corporation Foundation \$1,250 for General Fund. Thank you to the above organizations for supporting our mission.

### Thank You to the following Churches Donating Nonfood Items the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2024:

St. Michael Lutheran Church Resurrection Lutheran Church Luther Memorial Lutheran Church St. Thomas Lutheran Church Mount Calvary Lutheran Church Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church Zion Lutheran Church Augustana Lutheran Church Bethel Lutheran Church St. Marks Lutheran Church Mount Olive Lutheran Church Lord of Love Lutheran Church

St. John's Lutheran Church, Omaha











Use the attached envelope to support our mission with your monetary donation.

### THANK YOU TO THE FOLLOWING CHURCHES AND ORGANIZATIONS SUPPORTING US FINANCIALLY.





AUGUSTANA LUTHERAN CHURCH BETHANY LUTHERAN CHURCH WOMEN HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH LUTHER MEMORIAL LUTHERAN CHURCH **LUTHER MEMORIAL LUTHERAN CHURCH WOMEN** LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE MASTER MOUNT CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH St. John's Lutheran Church St. Thomas Lutheran Church

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