

What We Do.....

Nourish Bodies, Minds & Spirits...

Barberton Area Community Ministries serves the most vulnerable members of our community by making sure their most basic needs are being met. The people who visit our pantry sometimes struggle to make ends meet, and that's where we come in. Our clients are looking for help, not a handout.

Making ends meet can be challenging. BACM works to extend household resources through our pantry. Strategic partnerships with organizations like Catholic Charities Community Services of Summit County help individuals and families make the most of what they have, and offer assistance when they don't have enough. It's our way of providing Hope and Help for Those in Need!

**BACM is a Network Partner with
Akron Canton Regional Foodbank**



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partners with **Summit Mennonite Church** which provides housing for us to serve residents of the area providing emergency food assistance and other programs through the support of individual donors, corporations, foundations and volunteers.

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Our Mission

Our mission is to extend household resources in our communities through programs targeting food insecurity and basic needs.

Hope and Help for Those in Need

2021 Year in Review

Last year BACM served **9,551** households that included **28,366** individuals, equaling 430,861 meals.

In 2021 the following programs have continued, and we assist with applications for:

First Energy

SNAP

HEAP

Free Smoke Detectors

Free and reduced lunch applications

Medicaid Applications

Veteran's Benefits

Living Wills,

Power of Attorney for Healthcare and

General Power of Attorney

- **Catholic Charities** Social Worker on-site weekly to provide assistance with rent and utilities.
- Partner with **EFNEP** for nutrition and cooking classes. This is an Ohio State University extension program.
- **CaptionCall** representative on-site once a week.
- Representatives and information available for **United Healthcare and Humana.**
- **Veteran's Counseling & Benefit Help** with *Rev. Edmond Fast Ph.D.*, Chaplain with The American Legion 566 & VFW 1066.

Our Programs



Choice Food Pantry

Residents of the area who qualify can stop at our drive-up pantry once or twice per month and receive a three day supply of food for their household. Clients must show a photo ID and proof of residency at each visit.

Pet Food Ministry

BACM has a donor who sponsors our pet food ministry. Pets also have food insecurities.



Head Start Back Pack Program

BACM helps meet the nutritional needs of the children enrolled at the Community Action Akron Summit-Barberton Campus Head Start by providing three meals and a snack twice a month during the school year (October-May).



Compass Systems generously sponsors our program.

Home Food Deliveries

Home deliveries are available to seniors 65 and over and homebound.



Commodity Supplemental Food Program
a Senior Food Assistance Program

Clients who qualify are assisted with the CSFP Senior Food Box Program. CSFP is a federal nutrition assistance program that provides low-income elderly individuals with a monthly food box.

How Can I Help?



The majority of our funds come from individual donors. We supplement that with foundation grants, corporate contributions, and gifts from churches and faith-based organizations, but we still need **YOUR** help!

Host a Food Drive

Organize a collection through your church, school, community group, neighborhood or business to support BACM. You can do it once a month, once a quarter or once a year— it all makes a difference!

Attend our Events



BACM hosts several events and activities throughout the year that you can participate in to help us raise money to provide hope and help to those in need!

BECOME A SPONSOR AND GET YOUR BUSINESS NOTICED

BACM has events and programs throughout the year that could use your support! Consider becoming a sponsor and helping us continue to create great fundraising events and provide outstanding programs.

Call to discuss becoming a sponsor.

VOLUNTEER

If you are interested in helping, be it through your church, civil organization, school, or just individually, we welcome you.

Call us to discuss becoming a volunteer.