

## Our Mission

In a loving response to our Lord Jesus Christ's command to feed His sheep, The Shepherd's Staff exists to reach out to those in crisis, to aid those in need, to support those in trouble, to seek out and encourage pathways to self-sufficiency, and to be a witness for Christ in our community.

## Our History

The vision for a cooperative crisis center began in 1989 with the Westminster Ministerium. In 1991, The Shepherd's Staff opened its doors and is currently located in a 10-room facility owned by Grace Lutheran Church. It is from this location that assistance is available to anyone in need in Carroll County.

Presently, local churches, organizations, businesses, schools, and individuals support our grassroots efforts in a variety of ways from financial contributions, product and service donations to hundreds of hours of volunteerism.

The Shepherd's Staff operates as an outreach and emergency support center to improve the quality of life of those we serve. Our goal is to help resolve short-term crisis and seek ways to find more permanent solutions for those who come to us in need.

## How can you help?

- Make a financial contribution
- Donate goods or services
- Become a volunteer
- Attend our fundraising events
- Memorial gifts
- Speaking engagements

## Contact

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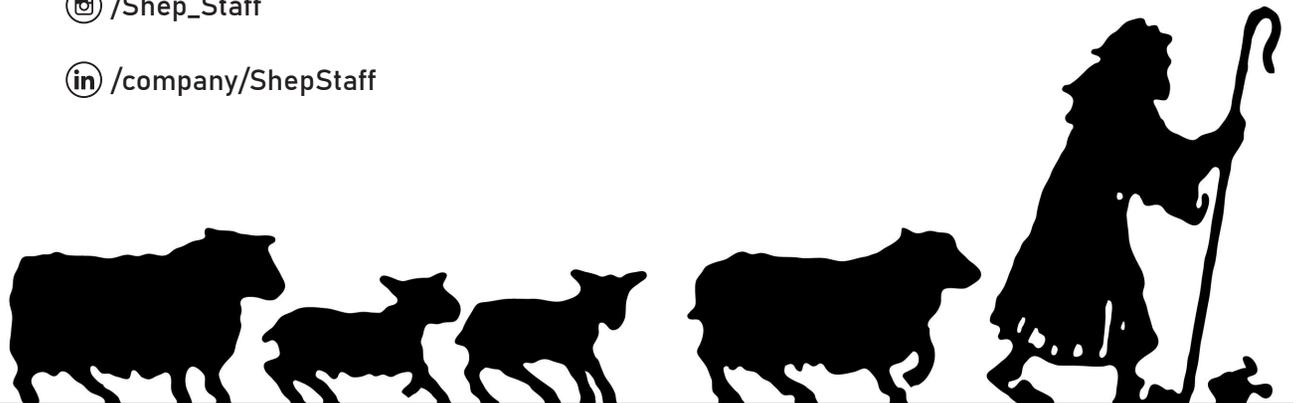
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# THE SHEPHERD'S STAFF

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## Carroll County Christian Outreach and Support Center



## Gifts of Hope

“I came to Shepherd’s Staff when I was down on my luck. They were able to give me food and clothing. But more importantly, they gave me HOPE!

They showed me how people really care about you. I was not judged or looked down on. I’m now employed and in a much better place in my life today.

Thank you to the staff and to those who donate to make this possible.”

- Guest

## In 2017 We Provided...

- Assistance to 4,035 total households
- Assistance to 10,422 individuals
- Emergency financial assistance to 592 households
- School supplies to 1,283 students
- Prescription financial assistance to 113 individuals
- Distribution of 3,028 coats to individuals
- Haircuts to 175 individuals
- Bath and laundry facility for 339 individuals
- Easter baskets for 1,338 children
- Christmas stockings & gift bags for seniors given to 948 individuals

A 501(c)3 Non-Profit Organization

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# GIFTS OF HOPE

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With the support of our donors and volunteers, we are able to meet the needs of others with...

### EMERGENCY FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

- Medical
  - Prescriptions
  - Optical, Dental & Hearing
- Job Related
  - Transportation
  - Auto Expenses
  - Work Attire
  - IDs & Certifications
- Food
  - Store Vouchers
  - Baby Formula
- Housing Necessities
  - Rent & Mortgage
  - Utilities
  - Interim Housing

Other emergency requests are considered and determination is based on interview.

### RESOURCES & INTERVENTION

- Referral
- Advocacy
- Compassionate Listening

### BLESSINGS CLOSET

- Laundry Supplies
- Personal Hygiene Items
- Cleaning Supplies
- Diapers & Baby Essentials

### BACK-TO-SCHOOL

- Backpacks
- School Supplies Kits
- Haircuts
- New Shoes & Clothing

### CALL FOR COATS

- Infants through Adult
- New & Like New Dry-Cleaned Outerwear

### HOLIDAY

- Christmas Stockings
- Gifts Bags for Seniors
- Easter Baskets

### COMFORT & CARING

- Telephone Use
- Bath & Laundry Facility
- Daily Newspaper
- Religious Literature
- Grocery Coupons
- Daily Hospitality
- Gently Used Clothing
- Books & Magazines
- Outdoor Picnic Area

### FOOD & FELLOWSHIP

- The Shepherd’s Table (Fridays Noon Meal)
- Community Thanksgiving Dinner
- July 4th Cookout
- Emergency Meal & Snack

All Outreach Programs Depend on Community Donations, In-Kind Contributions, and Fundraising Efforts.