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MISSION STATEMENT

Crossover Outreach shares the love of Christ by feeding, clothing, and providing services and programs to those in need, restoring hope and rebuilding lives.

VISION STATEMENT

Crossover Outreach envisions a community where basic needs are met, hope is restored, and lives are rebuilt.



Making a Difference... One Child at a Time!

As we continue to deal with the pandemic, this summer was a little brighter for 23 children given the blessing of FUN and FELLOWSHIP thanks to friends like you!

Though Camp Chickagami did not have sleepover camp for Junior or /middle camp again this year, they went above and beyond, traveling to Flint and holding a special day camp for our Crossover Kids! Seven of our kids went to Bay Shore Family Camp in Sebewaing for overnight camp! We were also excited to send our first camper ever to Counselor-In-Training Camp at Camp Chickagami! Mari has gone to camp with us before and was blessed to spend a week learning how to be a counselor herself! She looks forward to sharing her love of camp in a leadership role at Camp Chick in the future!

Watching our Crossover Kids grow in their faith and confidence, thanks in no small part to the opportunity you provide, is truly a gift!



Thank You!

*Thank you for the GENEROUS donations by individuals, our Supporting Churches, the Child Welfare Society of Flint, the Stella and Frederick Loeb Charitable Trust, and the Kiwanis Club of Flint. YOU make this happen!

Crossover Outreach *The Helping Hand*

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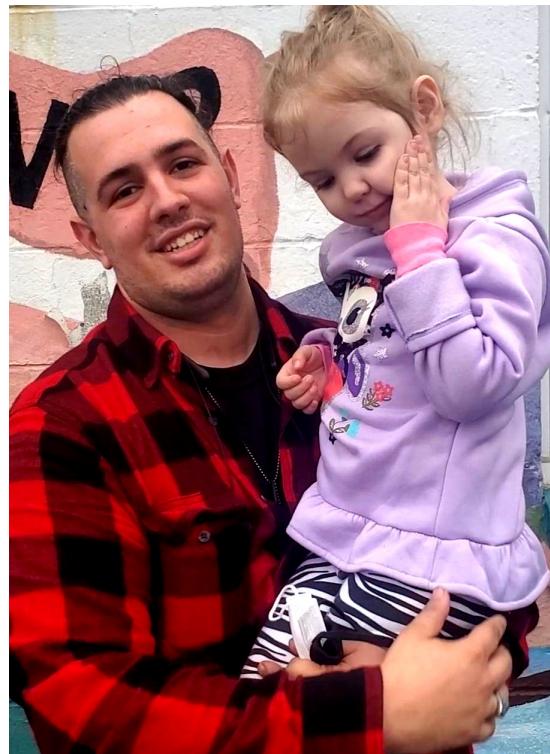
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2nd Annual Mindful Kayaking!

This year, we partnered with Flint River Watershed Coalition, the CRIM's Healthy, Mindful Flint Initiative, Kayak Flint and MTA-Flint for another successful year of Mindful Kayaking events! These events were free for anyone experiencing financial difficulties to experience the beauty of nature in our own backyards! Paddles on the Flint River and Thread Lake provided peaceful, fun new experiences where people also learned mindfulness practices. Special thanks to our donors and sponsors for an amazing year!



After the Storm



"Thank you Crossover Outreach for helping my family transition from the hurricane Ida situation in New Orleans... They helped us with clothes, food, kitchen stuff, and everything we need to actually recover from Hurricane Ida."

- Marcus K.

You never know how your loving donations will impact someone. Thanks to you, a family who relocated from New Orleans after losing everything in Hurricane Ida, has the items they need to start anew right here in Genesee County! Your gifts are PRICELESS!

Thanks for being a part of our Crossover Family!

30th Anniversary Celebration!

We had a wonderful time at our 30th Anniversary Thank You & Pledge Drive Thru Event!

Thank you to everyone for coming out and supporting our ministry! You truly make a difference in the lives of so many!

If you weren't able to drive through, stop by for a tour and pick up your "swag bag" for a special thank you surprise!

Special thanks to:



Pictured from Left to Right: Melissa Bishop, Connie Pangle, Ken Smith, Tom Shriver, Ken Lemons, Judy Clippard, Sue Wernette, Lionel Wernette, and Denise Diller

Our Friend of Crossover Award Winners **The Genesis Class at Court Street United Methodist Church**

Our Spirit of Crossover Award Winners **Camp Chickagami**

Watch our Anniversary Celebration video and see the presentation of these awards AND a special presentation by our friends at Camp Chickagami:

crossoveroutreach.org/thankyou30



New Beginnings



What a wonderful and exciting time of change! It's been here at Crossover Outreach! As we were planning our 30th Anniversary Celebration, our Development Officer, Elisabeth Hamilton, received an offer she couldn't refuse and moved to North Carolina. Ironically, we hired Ken Lemons as our new Development Officer who had recently moved with his family from North Carolina!



Elisabeth even came back in to help bring Ken up to speed before she moved! Thanks Elisabeth!

Ken has graciously provided a bio to share with you all!

Ken Lemons serves as the Development Officer for Crossover Outreach.

Experiencing the depths of poverty, substance use, and many other forms of struggle as a kid is what drives Ken today. He is passionate about human services, advancement/fundraising, and organizational leadership.

Ken is the founder of Next Steps Community Resources (NSCR), a non-profit organization in NC committed to providing case management to hurting people who need help finding their best next steps in life. He has also served as a Campus Director and Director of Community Outreach for leading substance use treatment programs in NC and PA.

He is a graduate of Clarks Summit University with a B.S. in Counseling and Bible. He is married to Victoria Lemons and they have three beautiful children; David, Adalynn, and Lukas.

Outside of work, Ken enjoys getting outside with his family, going to Michigan football games, and reading.

Please stop in for a visit, meet Ken, and if you haven't already done so, take the tour of Crossover!

As we continue forward, uplifting our neighbors in need, we are blessed to have Ken as a part of the Crossover Family and we wish Elisabeth all the best in her new life adventure!

God is good!

Gifts of Memory

We offer our deepest sympathies to those who have suffered the loss of a loved one and we are truly grateful for the loving donations in their memory.

Lenore Calvert: David & Nancy

Benjamen, Gerald & Virginia Smith, Joan Snyder, Diana Rutherford, Christopher & Maria Czyzio, Philip & Kari Tomek, Nancy Chiles, Mary Nicholas, Kathleen Hayes, Elaine Condon, Tim & Connie Pangle, John Hemingway, Judy Clippard, William Piper, Alison Dedrick, Ronald Ostrander, Patricia Weir, Carolyn Fitzpatrick, Philip & Lynn Boyd, Tim Robinson, William & Corla Hough, Janet Williamson, Robert & Marlene Furman, Ken & Carol Smith, Steve Calvert, Ellin Kohlmann, Tarlesa Delcamp, Linda Bentley, Lei Tobias, Sandy Clay

Shirley Germaine: Hazen Germaine

Shirley Stevens: Linda Bentley, Gerald & Virginia Smith, William Piper, Catherine Magill, Carole Stevens, David & Nancy Benjamen, Griselda Tapia, Mariette Marrero

Lucy Habte-Gabr: Jane Bingham

Janet Redoutey: Gerald & Virginia Smith

Robert Lamonta Horton: Ken & Carol Smith

Joan Vallee: Michele Vallee

Gifts of Honor & Celebration

Thank you for helping those less fortunate while honoring loved ones or celebrating the milestones in these people's lives:

Linda Gibbs Birthday: Bill & Peggy Anderson, David & Janet Nyholm

Andre Brown: Michael & Teresa Munley

Luz Ytterock's Birthday: David & Janet Nyholm

Thanksgiving 2021

Each year, because of friends like you, we are able to bless 100 families and 20 senior citizens or special needs adults with a full Thanksgiving meal so they may enjoy fellowship and love with their families without worrying where the money for the extra food will come from.

How can you help provide **HOPE** this Thanksgiving?

1. Sponsor a family. (*Your gift of \$50 provides a complete Thanksgiving meal for a family in need—please use the enclosed envelope to make your donation!*)
2. Donate non-perishable food items! (*What makes Thanksgiving dinner special to you? Sweet potatoes, gravy, corn, green bean casserole, stuffing? Additional items are always needed!*)



Thank you for giving HOPE this season!

Give Hope this Christmas

It takes many hands and many hearts to provide for 100 families each Christmas. New toys, books, and pajamas for children in need, something small for mom and dad, and blankets and towels for the family help make the season blessed in households where even the basics are hard to come by!

With YOUR help, we provide HOPE for these families.

How can you help? There are many ways:

SPONSOR A FAMILY

(*you and your loved ones can shop for a specific family*)

MAKE A MONETARY GIFT*

(*\$150 purchases gifts for an entire family and we'll do the shopping for you!*)

DONATE TIME

(*we always need help wrapping gifts!*)

*We will be arranging safe & socially distanced ways to wrap gifts.

If you are interested in giving HOPE this Christmas, please call Crossover at (810) 234-2479. *Envelope Enclosed

Back to School Success!

Back to school takes on new meaning this year when so many children are actually back in school buildings for the first time in well over a year! Due to the pandemic, our program was even more appreciated by those who need a helping hand to return to school with clothing and more for their children!



Thanks to you, so far this year **195** children in need began school safely, with confidence and a smile!

Each child receives a new mask, 2 new outfits including 6 new pairs of underwear and socks, a new pair of shoes, and a new backpack filled with school supplies.

THANK YOU!



*Thank you for the GENEROUS donations by **individuals**, our **Supporting Churches**, the **Jennings Memorial Foundation**, and the **Martha Merkley Charitable Trust for Youth!** Thank you also to the **NGA: National Giving Alliance—Flint** for your generous in-kind donations! Thank you to **Mott Community College** for promoting our Service Saturday and for your help packing backpacks for kids!

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Urgent Needs...

HOUSEHOLD: Washcloths

CLOTHING: Men's shoes and underwear
Women's underwear
Children's Clothes (All sizes)

FOOD: Boxed Cereal, Peanut Butter, Soup

THANKSGIVING: Stuffing Mix, Canned Green Beans, Canned Gravy or Packets, Canned Cranberry Sauce/Cranberries, Canned Yams/Sweet Potatoes

Thank You!