UNITED METHODIST OPEN DOOR, INC.

United Methodist Open Door began in 1965 as United Methodist Urban Ministry. It was started by a group of Methodist clergy and laity who felt that the church should be more responsive to the needs of society. In 1981, as deep cuts were made in many social programs, the agency became more involved in direct service to the community. The name of the organization was changed in 2007 to better reflect its mission.

During 2023 calendar year our organization served almost 30,000 unduplicated individuals in need of food, clothing and shelter. For more information about United Methodist Open Door, call: (316) 265-9371, email: administration@umopendoor.org or visit our website: www.umopendoor.org.

COMMUNITY FOOD MINISTRY

(316) 267-4201

2130 E. 21st St. N.

Monday through Friday

9 a.m. - 11:45 a.m. & 1 - 3:45 p.m.

This is the largest community-wide, food-box program in the Wichita area, providing emergency food assistance for individuals and families in need once per month. Families qualify at 130% of the federal poverty level. Spanish translation is available along with referrals to other Open Door programs and information regarding other agencies within the community. Donations of food and money to purchase food are always welcome. *5,796 unduplicated families/14,211 individuals were served 22,816 food boxes in 2023.*

COMMODITY SUPPLEMENTAL FOOD PROGRAM (316) 267-0511

2130 E. 21st St. N.

Monday through Friday

9 a.m. - 11:45 a.m. & 1 - 3:45 p.m.

This monthly food-box program for income-eligible people age 60 and older distributes food provided by the USDA through the State of Kansas to people in Sedgwick and 10 surrounding counties. Elders qualify at 130% of the federal poverty level. **1,870 unduplicated individuals were served in 11-county area, totaling 14,266 food boxes.**

KLOTHES KLOSET

(316) 265-9371

402 E. 2nd St.

Monday-Wednesday-Friday

9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

This program provides free clothing for infants, children and adults. Small household items are also available. Individuals and families may shop once per month. **Gently used clothing and household donations are accepted Monday through Friday 8 a.m. - 3 p.m. and Saturday 9 a.m. - noon. Served on average 1,177 families per month.**

HOMELESS RESOURCE CENTER

(316) 265-9371

402 E. 2nd St.

Monday through Friday

7:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.

The day shelter for the homeless provides case management, a daily meal, access to showers, laundry facilities and mail service. Individuals, churches and organizations provide the noon meal. In addition, several partner agencies such as GraceMed Health Clinic, Kansas Legal Services, VA, Shelter Plus Care, Hunter Health Clinic and Miracles, Inc. offer services. 1,579 unduplicated individuals were served in 2023 with a daily average of 134 people.

FAMILY RAPID RE-HOUSING (FRRH)

(316) 265-9371

402 E. 2nd St.

Monday through Thursday

8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

This HUD-funded program provides rental assistance and supportive services to literally homeless families, defined as at least one adult with a dependent child. Each family is assigned a case manager who provides support to address each family's unique barriers to achieving housing. The program's goal is to empower families to quickly regain stability in permanent housing and increase the family's self-sufficiency. **40 families/130 individuals were served in 2023.**

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

(316) 267-4201 Ext. 4252

Many volunteer opportunities are available with Open Door programs, such as sorting or sacking groceries or answering the telephone in the Community Food Ministry; packing food boxes in the Commodity Supplemental Food Program; sorting clothing and stocking shelves in the Klothes Kloset or preparing meals for the homeless at the Homeless Resource Center. Individuals, families, and groups wanting to volunteer or needing community-service hours are scheduled on a one-time basis, monthly, weekly, daily or whatever best fits in with their lives. **Contact our Volunteer Coordinator.**

To learn more about our special events, donations, corporate & foundation support, Giving Hope Society, in-kind donations, mission talks, or planned giving, please contact Mick Cayless, Director of Development at mcayless@umopendoor.org or (316) 265-9371 Ext. 4014.

Thank you for opening your heart to those in need!

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