

StreetLight Lampost

StreetLight Community Outreach Ministries | Quarterly Newsletter | Spring 2021

MISSION STATEMENT

Our mission is to build strong community by improving the quality of life for impoverished men, women, and children, including the “chronically homeless.” Everyone is welcome, regardless of faith, race or nationality. We serve our clientele in a caring environment that offers dignity, acceptance and Christ-like love. We facilitate personal growth, spiritual renewal, independence and integration into a healthy community.

STREETLIGHT MINISTRIES:

PANTRY

Tues & Thurs, 9:30-11:30am

- Weekly Community Outreach
- Dinner (Wed, 7:00 pm)
- Crisis Aid Program
- Permanent Supported Housing
- Supportive Shelter

MANY THANKS!

StreetLight’s Board members and staff would like to express their sincere appreciation to all the churches and community groups in Prince William County who have stepped forward to provide volunteers and financial donations

Volunteer Appreciation —

In honor of National Volunteer Week, StreetLight wants to take this opportunity to recognize the dedicated volunteers who have reached out to help during the pandemic. In fact, over the years, I have been amazed at the unfailing commitment of all of our volunteer staff. Many of these volunteers have been with StreetLight for ten years or more and they continue to work tirelessly each and every week to provide compassionate and caring services to families and individuals who come to us for help. During the COVID-19 pandemic, it was no different. A number of our volunteers stepped forward to fill gaps in service created by the need for a few of our senior volunteers with health issues to stay home and safely quarantine.



Volunteer Kitchen Staff



Last April, StreetLight needed to temporarily shut down its “Harvest Banquet”, our weekly outreach dinner for the homeless. Since StreetLight’s shelter clients also attended this dinner, the immediate need arose for meals to be delivered to our low barrier shelter. To help fill this need, several of our volunteer kitchen staff offered to still come every week to plan and prepare 60 dinners on Wednesday to deliver to our shelter guests.

Additionally, Mike McGuire, owner of *The Bus and Grill*, began cooking meals for the homeless during the pandemic. He did not want anyone to be without a nutritious meal. StreetLight provided food and every week and we would meet the food truck at local campsites where Mike and his team served approximately 70-80 meals to homeless men and women living in the woods. The food was delicious and the fellowship and spirit of camaraderie was heart warming.

Food Pantry procedures were also adjusted to offer “curb-side” pick-up. To meet the need, a number of volunteers heroically came forward week after week to ensure that hungry families and individuals received food. Food insecurity

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Unstoppable Hope Fundraiser Dinner —

We hope you will join us at the Springfield Hilton (or virtually) for our annual fundraiser dinner to support current ministry operations and to raise money for land for the Hope Center.

Charity Raffle begins at 6:30 p.m. & Dinner is served at 7:20 p.m..