



# GOOD SAMARITAN MINISTRY

MERCY • OUTREACH • DISCIPLESHIP

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## Did You Know?

The Good Samaritan Ministry facilitates volunteerism and makes funds available for a wide array of services to be responsive to the many needs that exist within our community. Examples include:

- Community Support
- Conferences, Marches and Missions
- International
- Personal / Family Assistance
- SJN Community Lunch

## Our Mission

To engage the parishioners of St. John Neumann parish to share the blessings of their faith to provide funds for outreach and discipleship programs in order to serve the greatest number of individuals in the most effective way on a local, national and international basis.

## What We Do

Through our “Request for Funds” form found on our website, <https://www.saintjohnsunbury.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/GSM-Request-for-Funds-2021-fillable.pdf>

we assist our community members with specific financial or material needs. After the request forms are received, they are reviewed at the monthly GSM meeting to confirm need, voted on, then funds are disbursed as approved. In addition to overseeing the GSM fund for outreach to the poor and evangelization/spiritual growth activities, the other GSM duties include:

- Work closely with St. Vincent DePaul to coordinate funding across parish programs to avoid duplicative services and ensure the greatest number of people are served.
- Give financial assistance to the poor, outreach and discipleship activities
- Serve as a clearinghouse of information about available programs and facilitate volunteer arrangements and monetary donations.
- Coordinate the scheduling of fundraisers and material assistance drives.

## Who We Help

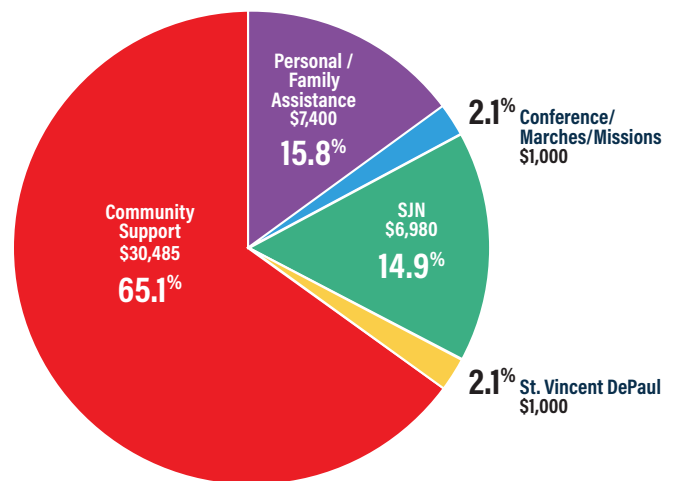
We work with the following core ministries for financial and volunteering support: St. Vincent DePaul; Big Walnut Friends Who Share; Habitat for Humanity; Sr. Nadine Buchanan, Op, Dominican Sisters of Peace; San Lucas-Toliman, Guatemala; Pregnancy Resource; Jacque Cordle Children’s Food Pantry (Centerburg); Community Kitchen; Mommies Matter; St. Francis Evangelization Center; The Shane Center;

WARM; Run the Race; Prison Ministry; Jacobs Way (Unity House); and Bountiful Backpack (Big Walnut Schools). We’ve also supported St. John Neumann Respect Life; “Barriers, Band-Aids, and Bridges Poverty Summit”; St. John Neumann Lending Library; and many more (including individuals in need).

## Use of Funds

Good Samaritan Ministries was founded in 2015, and since then it has awarded over 225 grants in the amount of \$262,462 to various individuals and organizations. In fiscal year ending June 30, 2021, GSM disbursed \$46,865 to worthy causes as follows:

## How Funds Were Disbursed



## How You Can Help

- Request Funds on behalf of a group or individual in need
- Contribute to St. John Neumann Outreach using blue envelopes, checks or EFT
- Get involved and volunteer at:

<https://www.saintjohnsunbury.org/ministries/outreach/good-samaritan-ministry/>

We have a great mission and can always benefit from charitable contributions. Lastly, get involved. There are many great outreach opportunities in need of your time and talent, so volunteer – wonderful works are happening all around and it is a blessing to be a part of it. Volunteer link is:

<https://www.saintjohnsunbury.org/ministries/volunteer/>