



# GOOD SAMARITAN MINISTRY

MERCY • OUTREACH • DISCIPLESHIP

## Did You Know?

The Good Samaritan Ministry (GSM) 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
- Personal/Family Assistance

## Our Mission

To engage the parishioners of St. John Neumann parish to share the blessings of their faith by providing 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, [saintjohnsunbury.org/good-samaritan-ministry-1](http://saintjohnsunbury.org/good-samaritan-ministry-1), we assist our community members with specific financial or material needs. We review grant requests at the monthly GSM meeting, confirm the need, vote, and disburse funds 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 the St. Vincent dePaul Society 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; these special drives are noted on the Stewardship page in our weekly bulletins. Please visit <https://saintjohnsunbury.org/weekly-bulletin>, to view a current bulletin and the list of upcoming drives.

## Who We Help

We work with a diverse group of ministries to provide financial and volunteering support, including: Malawi Water Pump; Monstrance for DeSales High School; Community Christmas Concert; SJN Ice Cream Social; Damascus Missionaries; Eucharistic Revival Bus; Bountiful Backpacks; Rainbow Gardens; Kairos; Daughters of St. Mary; St. Paul Outreach; Holy Family Project; St. Vincent DePaul; Big Walnut Friends Who Share; Habitat for Humanity; Sr. Nadine Buchanan, Op, Dominican Sisters of Peace; Pregnancy Resource; Mommies Matter; The Shane Center; Run the Race; Cornerstone of Hope; Columbus Catholic Young Adults; Catholic Social Services; St. Joseph Back Door Ministry; Cristo Rey HS; Chillicothe Veterans Hospital; and the Mission of the 72.

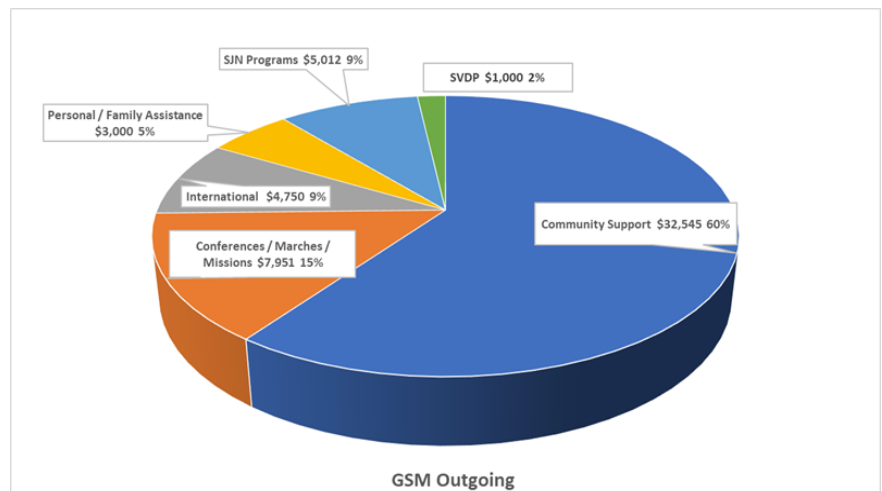
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## Use of Funds

Good Samaritan Ministries was founded in 2015 and since that time, it has awarded over 230 grants in the amount of \$376,960, including \$54,258 in the 2022-2023 fiscal year, to various individuals and organizations.

## How Funds Were Disbursed Fiscal Year 2022-2023:



## How You Can Help

- Request funds on behalf of a group or an individual in need
- Contribute to St. John Neumann Outreach using blue envelopes, checks, or WeShare, <https://saintjohnsunbury.org/give>

Get involved and volunteer at:

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

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.

## St. John Neumann Parishioners are the Good Samaritans!

This ministry is possible because of the generosity of our parishioners. Thank you for your amazing support!

