

WAYS TO CONTRIBUTE

- *Monetary Donations*
- *Volunteer*
- *Donate:*
 - Food
 - * canned, boxed, frozen food
 - * cooking basics: flour, oil, sugar, salt, pepper, Italian seasoning, garlic powder, onion powder....
 - * fresh/frozen vegetables and fruits
 - Personal hygiene items:
 - * shampoo, deodorant, shaving cream, feminine hygiene, tooth paste, tooth brushes, soap etc...
 - Linens:
 - * sheets, blankets, comforters, pillows
 - * towels, wash cloths, hand towels
 - Housewares:
 - * small kitchen appliances toasters, microwaves, toaster ovens, hot plates, crock pots
 - * plates/dishes, utensils, pots and pans
 - * silverware, cooking utensils, etc....
 - Clothing
 - * Teenager's, Children's, Men's & Women's
 - * under linen, socks
 - * shoes
 - Miscellaneous:
 - * decorations
 - * backpacks etc...

Items needed for operations:

Egg Cartons (dozen)
Plastic Grocery Bags



Client Services:

Monday, Tuesday & Thursday
9:00—11:00 am
1:00—3:00 pm
Tuesday 5:00—7:00 pm

Donation Times:

Monday, Tuesday & Thursday
11:00 am—1:00 pm
Or by Appointment

Everything is provided at NO cost.

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Charity & Love prevail
for Neighbors & Friends.



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Choice Pantry for food, clothing, linens, & housewares.

Zero Cost

What makes us unique?

We are a choice pantry. We provide a grocery store feel and experience to the community. This allows our clients to choose the food items they prefer versus a prepackaged box of items they may not like or use. Qualifying individuals can shop for food once a month. Quantity of food is based on the size of their family.

Eligibility for service:

1. Resident of Erie County
2. Meet ODJFS TEFAP household size and income guidelines

Our clothing, linen, and houseware pantry is quite extensive due to the generosity of our community. We all need a little “shopping therapy” every now and then. This can be frequented twice a month.

HISTORY

The United Church of Women organized Care and Share in 1971. It is a faith based, public non-profit, 501(c)(3) agency whose work is to help the community by reducing the stigma surrounding food insecurity in an effort to eradicate hunger. Some of the prominent founders were Millie Millar, Murita Ott, Mary Lee Wood, Ruth Parker, and Rev. Paul Stengel. Care and Share of Erie County incorporated in 1974.

The cooperative charity consisting of area churches, synagogues, and foundations distributed clothing, food and furniture. Starting on Wayne Street in the Till Dairy Building, it moved to the Feick building and then to the Erie County Office Building on Columbus Avenue. The search for space continued and clients needing services were sent to various locations: food at Trinity United Methodist Church; clothing at St. Paul Lutheran Church; bedding and linens at First Congregational U.C.C.; and furniture at the Osborne Park warehouse.

This system went on until 1991 when Rev. Hal Mills, Sister Terry Maher, city commissioner Bob Kline and Ken Brewster decided to form a Center. The Ministries Council would appoint members to Care and Share's Board and provided all the volunteers to run and provide services to clients.

In 1992, John Fenton, President of Care and Share Board, negotiated with First Presbyterian Church to occupy their building on 241 Jackson Street. In 2010, a massive renovation of the building was completed thanks to a gift from George Mylander and the financial support of five local foundations: Erie County Community, Frost-Parker, Wightman-Wieber, Dorn, and Frohman.

Thanks to the foresight, collaboration, and generosity of religious organizations, foundations, businesses, and community, we are able to serve our neighbors and friends with dignity and respect during their time of need.

