

Where your money goes when you give to one of IHM's "Outreach" categories

Any donation to IHM Outreach envelopes listed below (or donated on-line via the IHM web site to Outreach categories of the same name), goes to the IHM business office. The business office then places the donation into the Outreach budget line associated with the ministry. From there, the money is under the oversight of the Outreach ministry that controls that budget, and the people working on that ministry decide the greatest need for their ministry. Contact the ministry heads listed below for further information about the use of funds for their ministry. A complete list of contact information (phone numbers and emails) for the heads of IHM Outreach ministries can be found on the parish web site under Parish/Ministries/Outreach Resources. (See notes below for the option of donating directly to the organization of your choice.)

IHM Food/Pantry Ministries

Money donated to this envelope or donation choice is divided among the following IHM ministries that work to alleviate hunger:

- *Boulevard Food Pantry* (Trinda Metzger and Meri Weber, ministry heads) – serving those that need food in the IHM neighborhood. The boundaries of Boulevard's service area

are Kessler Blvd. on the north, 32nd St. on the south, Keystone Ave. on the east, and the White River on the west. The food and money donated to Boulevard goes to people who live within those boundaries. Food distributions to the needy occur twice a day on Monday through Friday and once on Saturday. Funds can also go toward special programming for pantry clients such as nutritional education. More information on the Boulevard Food Pantry is found on the St. Thomas Aquinas web site: www.staindy.org

- *Cathedral Soup Kitchen* (Lori Bisser and Ray Kennedy, ministry heads) – This is a ministry of the Saints Peter and Paul Cathedral Parish in Indianapolis. The Kitchen began during Great Depression of the late 1920's and early 1930's. It serves meals every day of the week and also operates a food pantry two days a week. It is open to anyone who is poor, homeless, or in need. Many of the parishes of the Indianapolis Archdiocese help support the Kitchen, including IHM. For more information, see the SS. Peter and Paul web site: www.ssppc.org
- *The Lord's Pantry at Anna's House* (a.k.a. Lucious Newsome Ministries. Chris Hutson, ministry head) – This ministry supports the community center founded by the late Lucious Newsome in Stringtown on the near-west side of Indy. Food is “rescued” from grocery stores and donated from others sources, and distributed to the needy of that neighborhood on Saturday mornings. Meals are served during the week, plus they offer

a summer breakfast program and special meals at Thanksgiving and Christmas. Anna's House also provides other services such as English lessons and financial literacy. They are currently in a fundraising drive that will enable them to build a new, larger community center that will enhance their services. For more information, see the web site: www.annashousemsc.org

Society of St. Vincent DePaul (Larry Dougherty, Head of IHM Conference of SVDP)

Money donated to the "Society of St. Vincent dePaul" envelope or donation choice gets transferred by the IHM business office directly to the IHM Conference of SVDP. The SVDP international organization's rules require that separate financial records are maintained by the SVDP organization. The IHM SVDP group uses donations received primarily to provide assistance to IHM parishioners in need for necessities such as food, rent, utilities costs, etc. If more donations are collected than are needed for IHM parishioners, the remaining money helps to fund SVDP's city-wide programs such as the SVDP Food Pantry or the "Changing Lives Forever" program. More information about these programs can be found on the website:

www.svdindy.org

IHM Outreach (Outreach General Fund. Scott Lowe, Outreach Commission Chair)

The Outreach Commission General Fund is used for two primary purposes. The first is to fund special requests for Outreach Grants, which can be requested by any member of the IHM community for a worthy Outreach related cause. Grant requests are evaluated by Outreach Commission officers based on written guidelines used by the Outreach Commission. (Contact Scott Lowe for a copy of these grant request guidelines.) Money in the general fund is also used to pay for special Outreach programs and educational activities. The Poverty Simulations conducted in 2016 were examples of special programs paid by the Outreach General Fund.

As always, your contributions made to IHM to any of these worthwhile Outreach categories will be included in your year to date donation report from IHM. It is also your option to make your donation directly to any of the organizations listed above rather than have your donation go to the IHM Outreach ministry that supports the organization. For information on how to make a direct donation to an organization, go the web site listed above for that organization.

One exception: For a direct donation to Boulevard Food Pantry, please use a check payable to

Boulevard Place Food Pantry

4202 Boulevard Pl, Indianapolis, IN 46208

You can mail the check to that address, or deliver it to the parish office to be picked up by ministry head Trinda Metzger.