



Nickels and Dimes Newsletter

WINTER 2018

Letter from the Director

Surprises as we open gifts are so much fun! We are so surprised and excited when we open the doors here at NECO and someone is stepping in to provide when we are short of food, money or other donations. These are such fun times, as well as a testimony of God's faithfulness.

As we began preparing for the Holiday's with people being out, and needs continuing to come in, I realized that the things we were doing and scheduling really weren't what was going to happen, because we were going to have people come in with requests that we weren't prepared for or not expecting and yet I need not be surprised, because God isn't surprised by these things and He has already begun to prepare us for these times. He doesn't want us concerned over meeting the needs of these families, He will. He just wants us to be willing, compassionate and obedient to serving His people.

Our multiple times a week grocery buying is slowing down as the community comes together in helping us get the pantry restocked so we can serve. Seasonal programs are up and

running full swing and our questions of "what?" or "how?" are gone because God has provided these answers. Plans for a new store building were drawn and ready, but before it even gets going, they will need to be changed, so we know God has something better there too!

We are indeed so very grateful to each and every one of you for your faithful support, prayers and encouragement this year. I can tell you that we have felt your peace and prayers through some surprising times both good and hard. Next year presents itself already with challenges and promises and we know that through it all, "It is well."

May God bless each and every one of you this Christmas and may the surprises He gives you be the desires of your heart and a way for you to share Him with all you meet.

Merry Christmas!

Denise Butler

Executive Director

The text "Merry Christmas" is written in a large, bold, black, stylized font. The letter 'M' is decorated with a gift box icon. The letter 'y' has a star above it. The letter 'i' has a star above it. The letter 's' has a Christmas tree icon to its right. The entire text is set against a white background with a decorative border.

Greetings from Client Assistance

FEEDING THE HUNGRY

Through October of this year \$165,160.00 worth of food! Without including all the produce or other items that were distributed through the pantry.

HELPING THE NEEDY

We have provided \$35,795.69 in financial services for families so far this year. Serving 1076 families in total for this time frame.

MAKING A DIFFERENCE

While walking through classes with 48 families we have also walked with 5 families

through loss of loved ones during this time frame, both crying and praying with them as they too have become a huge part of our family here at NECO.

HOW YOU CAN HELP

We are accepting turkeys and hams if you are given one you will not be using.

Ask your group to consider and Adopt a Shelf in our pantry to help meet the demands.

Maybe you would like to join our volunteer force to help us keep up the workload.

Pantry Needs

Soap

Razors

Canned Salmon

Shampoo

Dish Soap

Canned Chicken

Toilet Paper

Canned Fruit, with no sugar or in its own juice

Canned Beans with no salt

Toothpaste

Canned Tomato Products



Opportunity to Give

Please use this donation for

Food Pantry _____ Client Assistance _____ General _____

Building Program _____ Ferris Satellite Office _____

In honor of _____ or

In Memory of _____



Thrift Store Happenings

We had so much Fall in our store but you wouldn't have been able to tell as it flew out of here as fast as it was placed in the store. Christmas decorations are still available but they have been flying out as well. If you are in need of some amazing winter clothing with the drops in temperature that we have had come and see what we have because there are some beautiful name brand items in the store!

Your donation here not only provides the

necessary funds for us here to operate, but also provides items at a reasonable cost to families and provides free items to the families we serve.

We appreciate your faithful support of gently used items to help us keep helping those in need. Remember that by donating local as well as shopping local helps our community. Don't forget to check out our Facebook page to see all our new items for sale with multiple postings daily!

Volunteers!

Volunteers are ordinary people with extraordinary hearts. They offer their time to teach, to serve, to listen, to inspire, to help, to build, to grow and to learn, because they are committed. Without pay, their work knows no limit, because they are invested. With just a simple hug, they are encouraged, and because of the seeds they have planted, they are encouragers. For each one of you who serve whether here or elsewhere in our community we say "Thank You."

Your commitment, investment and encouragement has made a difference that will last a lifetime here at NECO!





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