



Good Shepherd Foundation  
The Little Closet Food Pantry  
Shepherd Hill Opry

April 2016

*A Legacy of Love in Action*

## Food Pantry Updates

The Little Closet Community Food Pantry provided food for 114 individuals in the Samantha and surrounding communities during the first quarter of 2016. Those numbers represent 35 children and 68 adults – 47 total families.

The Food Pantry is open to the public for distribution on the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month from 4:00 p.m. til 6:00 p.m. We serve Northwest Tuscaloosa County and Southeast Fayette County, with a primary focus on the Samantha Community. A photo ID and proof of residence such as power bill, phone bill, etc. are required to receive services.

We are not an emergency organization. However, should an emergency arise between service days, families within our community who are in immediate need are provided food at their request. Families outside our service area are provided assistance the first time. Following the first service, those living outside our service area will need a referral from a church, official agency or board member.

We are strictly operated by volunteers. If you have questions or need food assistance, call our pantry number at (205) 534-3104, leave a message with your name and phone number and the volunteer on-call will return your call.



Neighbors Helping Neighbors

For more information visit our websites at [thelittlecloset.org](http://thelittlecloset.org) or [goodshepherdfound.org](http://goodshepherdfound.org)

## Fiddle Contest Winners

Congratulations to 1<sup>st</sup> place winner, Caleb Bryant, 2<sup>nd</sup> place Anna Lee Vaughn and 3<sup>rd</sup> place Abby Claire Vaughn in the fiddle contest held on March 12 at Shepherd Hill Opry. Wow! What amazing talent showcasing at Shepherd Hill Opry for our first fiddle contest.

Many, many thanks to Sharon Bounds for coordinating, judging and for performing for us. We are honored to have you on Shepherd Hill and look forward to having you again on June 24<sup>th</sup> on stage at Shepherd Hill Opry.

Also, thanks to all who brought your antique automobiles on such a wet day. Hopefully our next car show will be beautiful weather.

## Upcoming Events

**Saturday, June 24<sup>th</sup>** Bluegrass Concert with Sharon Bounds and Brighter Day -- featuring Clinton Bluegrass Band

**Saturday, September 17<sup>th</sup>** Concert on Shepherd Hill – Potters Clay & Steve Waldrip

**Saturday, October, 22<sup>nd</sup>** Samantha Trade Day and Fish Fry

**November & December** Silent Bake Sale

**Saturday, April 15, 2017** 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Legacy of Love Festival (Always the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday in April)





## Food Pantry Needs

### Essentials

- Milk
- Bread
- Sandwich meat/hotgos
- Hamburger
- Sliced Cheese
- Eggs
- Potatoes
- Butter
- Sugar
- Salt
- Flour
- Corn Meal
- Dried Beans
- Pasta/Rice
- Canned Vegetables
- Tea/Koolade/Coffee
- Peanut Butter
- Jelly
- Hamburger Helper
- Canned Ravoli
- Canned Tuna/Chicken
- Cereal
- Condiments
- Cooking Oil

-Bags for distributing Food

-Disposable Diapers

-Personal Hygiene Items (toothpaste, toothbrushes, shampoo, deodorant, etc.)

-Volunteers to serve on distribution days and to help with events and fundraising.

You can find a needs list posted on our website at [thelittlecloset.org/make-a-donation.html](http://thelittlecloset.org/make-a-donation.html)

## Community Outdoor Venue

We enjoy birthday parties and family gatherings on Shepherd Hill so much that we want to make it available to our community to use. Next time you are looking for an outdoor venue for your family reunion, birthday party, country wedding, etc. give us a call.

Great porch sitting opportunities on front porch of The Little Closet Community Food Pantry; access to Shepherd Hill Opry stage for live music; picnic area and a stage for square dancing or clogging. Fun children's area with slide and swings. We now have restrooms!!! AND WE HAVE A CHAPEL ON IT'S WAY!

We only ask a nominal donation to cover costs.

## Financial

Our funding comes from family donations and community support through individuals, businesses and local churches. We are so grateful for all of our supporters and partners. Without you this ministry would not be possible. A special thanks to Sulpher Springs FWB and Arbor Springs, as well as our anonymous donors for your monthly financial support. Thank you for being servants of God.

(Jan. 1-March 31, 2016)

Donations:       \$10,530.87

### Expenses:

Outreach	\$ 1,786.59
Food Asst	\$ 1,301.97
Supplies	\$ 277.83
Building	\$ 6,095.06
Admin	\$ 83.27
Utilities	\$ 909.82



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