

What We Do.....

Nourish Bodies, Minds & Spirits...

Barberton Area Community Ministries serves the most vulnerable members of our community by making sure their most basic needs are being met. The people who visit our pantry sometimes struggle to make ends meet, and that's where we come in. Our clients are looking for help, not a handout.

We also work to support children in our community. A major way we provide an impact is through the weekend food program to an additional 200+ children at Barberton Head Start located at Woodford School in Barberton. Studies show that children do better in school, have fewer illnesses and better cognitive development when they have regular access to healthy, nutritious food.

Making ends meet can be challenging. BACM works to extend household resources through our pantry. Strategic partnerships with organizations like Catholic Charities Community Services of Summit County help individuals and families make the most of what they have, and offer assistance when they don't have enough. It's our way of providing Hope and Help for Those in Need!

**BACM is a Network Partner with
Akron Canton Regional Foodbank**



Barberton Area Community Ministries

partners with **Summit Mennonite Church** which provides housing for us to be able to serve residents of the area providing emergency food assistance and other programs through the support of individual donors, corporations, foundations and volunteers.

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Our Mission

Our mission is to extend household resources in our communities through programs targeting food insecurity and basic needs.

Hope and Help for Those in Need

2019 Year in Review

Last year BACM served **4,570** households that included 14,206 individuals, equaling 127,854 meals. Since **July of 2019** the following programs have been added, and we assist with applications for:

First Energy

SNAP

HEAP

Free Smoke Detectors

Free and reduced lunch applications

Medicaid Applications

Veteran's Benefits

Living Wills,

*Power of Attorney for Healthcare and
General Power of Attorney.*

- **Catholic Charities** Social Worker on-site weekly to provide assistance with rent and utilities.
- Partner with **EFNEP** for nutrition and cooking classes. This is an Ohio State University extension program.
- **Assurance Cell Phone** representative on-site once a week.
- Representatives and information available for **United Healthcare and Humana**.
- **2,739** weekend food packages were distributed to the students at Barberton Head Start during the school year.
- **Veteran's Counseling & Benefit Help** with *Rev. Edmond Fast Ph.D.*, Chaplain with The American Legion 566 & VFW 1066.

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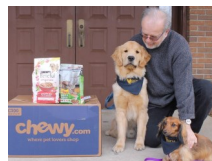
Our Programs

Choice Food Pantry

Residents of the area who qualify can shop our pantry once per month and receive a three day supply of food for their household. Clients must show a photo ID and proof of residency at each visit.

Pet Food Ministry

BACM has a donor who sponsors our pet food ministry. Pets also have food insecurities.



Head Start Back Pack Program

BACM helps meet the nutritional needs of the children enrolled at the Barberton Woodford Head Start by providing three meals and a snack twice a month during the school year (October-May).



We are pleased to announce that *Compass Systems* is sponsoring our Back Pack Program feeding the children at Woodford Head Start in Barberton, Ohio.

Home Food Deliveries

Home deliveries are available to clients who are seniors (ages 60 and over) or to individuals who are disabled.



How Can I Help?

DONATE



The majority of our funds come from individual donors. We supplement that with foundation grants, corporate contributions, and gifts from churches and faith-based organizations, but we still need YOUR help!

HOST A FOOD DRIVE!

Organize a collection through your church, school, community group, neighborhood or business to support BACM. You can do it once a month, once a quarter or once a year—it all makes a difference!



COME TO OUR EVENTS!



BACM hosts several events and activities throughout the year that you can participate in to help us raise money to provide hope and help to those in need!

BECOME A SPONSOR!

BACM has events and programs throughout the year that could use your support! Consider becoming a sponsor and helping us continue to create great fundraising events and provide outstanding programs. Call to discuss becoming a sponsor.



BECOME A VOLUNTEER!

If you are interested in helping, be it through your church, civil organization, school, or just individually, we welcome you. Call our director to discuss becoming a volunteer.