

FaithWorks -By The Numbers

2018 - Impact Report



Feeding the Hungry

- ▶ Every month, FaithWorks provides an average of 408 families much-needed provisions from the Sparrow's Nest food pantry. Thirty-seven of these families served were first time beneficiaries.
- ▶ We distributed 96,230 food items valued at \$125,872 and personal care goods valued at \$12,123. These food items were collected at food drives conducted at local schools, churches and businesses.
- ▶ The Sparrow's Nest Benevolence Fund provided 391 families with nearly \$39,728 to assist with emergency financial support to meet utility and medical bills.

Serving the Homeless and Marginalized

- ▶ The Well, FaithWorks' hospitality and resource center for people who are homeless was open 365 days serving on average 60 guests everyday.
- ▶ Our case managers held more than 223 initial interviews and 328 follow-up meetings to connect guests of The Well with housing opportunities, medical (physical and mental) care, medicine, food and clothing. Over \$800 was spent on emergency medical prescriptions. 129 guests were helped to get government identification cards and birth certificates, the first steps to securing employment and government assistance.
- ▶ We expanded the Open Doors ministry offering housing and employment readiness training to people who are homeless. Four homes were restored in Brunswick in 2018.
- ▶ Six of the Open Door apprentices previously living in abandoned houses and parks now live in the restored homes, sharing rent and utility expenses.

Comforting the Sick

- ▶ FaithWorks provided 175 rides to help patients attend medical appointments, pick up medicines and attend support groups.
- ▶ The pastoral team visited more than 2,068 patients and 5,170 patient family members in the hospital, providing pastoral care, prayer and comfort.
- ▶ Through our Norwich Outreach, volunteers visit weekly in the homes of a number of the most vulnerable in our community.

Living our Faith in Service

- ▶ 168 active volunteers performed 10,001 hours in works of mercy through FaithWorks' ministries.
- ▶ These hourly contributions represented \$246,924 in wages that otherwise would have been paid to achieve a comparable level of support for our community programs.