



Sweet Home Emergency Ministries
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2016 Highlights and Blessings for which SHEM is truly thankful for...

- Faithful Volunteers sharing their time and talents, providing over 10,533 hours of service.
- A Samaritan Health Social Accountability Grant to provide milk for each food box and at the meal site.
- The Hawthorne Civil War Food Drive event, Holley and Foster Elementary School food drives, SHHS and ELCA students that help with Linn-Benton Food Share deliveries and service projects.
- Additional deliveries of produce, allowing clients access to bread, fruit and vegetables each week.
- Community purchased Turkey and Santa Bucks, provided holiday meals for 266 families.
- Coordinated distribution of 221 Christmas boxes sponsored by 13 different churches and organizations.
- Has provided hunger relief in the community for 37 years!
- 3216 emergency food boxes were distributed, feeding 12,700 people (4819 were children).
- 7284 meals were prepared and served at the meal site.
- 20,616 people accessed services from SHEM programs.
- Over 24,000 items were distributed through Carmen's Closet.
- 221 Christmas boxes prepared by 13 local churches and organizations were distributed for 1076 people.
- Construction has begun on the addition at the rear of the building.
- Clients receiving garden seeds from SHEM brought in surplus produce to share.
- The Back to School Bash partnership with Harvest Christian providing over 500 backpacks & supplies.
- Salvation Army Bell-Ringers helping fundraise for the Back to School Bash Project.
- The Pongo Fund partnership provided pet food to over 2177 pet households.
- We are so grateful for the continued prayers and support from the Sweet Home community.

We are truly thankful for a caring, supportive community who help make a difference. May God continue to richly bless you in the New Year.

~Cindy L Rice, Pantry Manager and the SHEM Family

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