

FACT SHEET - 2010

CROSS CENTER OF BENTON COUNTY

150 4th Avenue South, PO Box 205, Foley, MN., 56329
Phone: 320-968-7012 Web site: www.thecrosscenter.com

WHO WE SERVE: Residents of Benton County

BOARD MEMBERS:

- Rev. Tim Wittwer, Board Chair, representing Gustavus Adolphus Lutheran Church
- Linda Ekberg, representing Estes Brook Evangelical Free Church
- Maxine Olson, representing First Presbyterian Church
- Wanda Hopland, representing Glendorado Lutheran Church
- Carole Mersinger, representing Gustavus Adolphus Lutheran Church
- Eileen Iverson, representing Glendorado Lutheran Church
- Pat Hanenburg, representing Maywood Covenant Church
- Pam Schroeder, representing Ronneby Church of Christ
- Russell/Sandy Studenski, representing St.- John's Lutheran Church
- Cheryl Pick, representing St. Elizabeth Catholic Church
- Don Hoff, representing St. Lawrence Catholic Church
- Diane Matvick, representing St. Paul's Lutheran Church
- Marge Szafranski, representing St. Peter and Paul's Catholic Church
- Joyce Notsch, representing Church of Annunciation
- Myrtle Bergstrom, representing Country Church
- Carol Brunn, representing St. Lawrence Catholic Church
- Eunice Cross, representing St. John's Catholic Church
- Mary Agnes Shimota, representing St. John's Catholic Church

EMPLOYEES: None

VOLUNTEERS: We have over 55 volunteers on a regular schedule. These volunteers are on the Board or work at the Center, sorting clothes and other donations, filling food orders, ordering food from Second Harvest, unloading trucks, and assisting clients in various ways.

HOURS OF OPERATION:

Monday: 1 – 4 and 6 – 8 pm

Thursday 10 – 3 pm

BOARD MEETING:

3rd Thursday of January, April, May, July (annual meeting) September, November

CONTACT PERSON: Carole Mersinger

For questions, concerns, donations, or to volunteer, call and leave message at the CROSS Center, 320-968-7012

FUNDING SOURCES:

Cash and food donations come from the public, area churches, schools, area Civic groups, and other groups and businesses in the area. Some food grants through Hunger Solutions.

SECOND HARVEST FOOD BANK:

Food is ordered from the food bank each month. For every dollar donated to CROSS, \$9.00 - \$10.00 worth of food can be purchased from the food bank.

2010 CROSS CENTER FOOD SHELF STATISTICS

HOUSEHOLDS SERVED : 1322, (Plus 208 “second visits”) If a family needed more food before the end of the month, they came in for “second visit” .

INDIVIDUALS SERVED: 3917

Age 0 – 17: 1585

Age 18 – 64: 2152

Age 65 +: 180

FOOD GIVEN OUT: 118,560 pounds

GROCERIES PURCHASED IN YEAR, 01/01/10 to 12/31/10: \$ 32,065.77

OTHER EXPENSES IN YEAR, 01/01/10 to 12/31/10: \$11,949.61

(other expenses include phone, garbage, electric and heat, taxes, etc.)

REMODELING GRANTS:

Two Grants received for 2010 remodeling project. Otto Bremer Foundation \$45,000.00 and Benton Telecommunications Foundation \$15,000.00.

INDIVIDUALS SERVED WITH CLOTHING ETC:

Our goal is to have available good used clothing and household items for anyone who has need of it, with out any charge or limits.

CHILDREN, IN FOLEY SCHOOLS, RECEIVING SCHOOL SUPPLIES, FALL 2010: 63

At the Toy Distribution in December, school supplies are also given to all children in Benton County from all schools.

2010 CHRISTMAS PROGRAMS:

CHILDREN RECEIVED TOYS AT TOY DISTRIBUTION: 203

HOUSEHOLDS RECEIVED GIFTS THROUGH THE GIVING TREE: 121