

2016

Loaves & Fishes Alternative Gifts Market

Sunday, December 4th
9:00 am to 12:45 pm



Hosted at
First Presbyterian Church Asheville
Gardner Fellowship Hall
40 Church Street
Asheville, NC 28801

Giving Gifts That Matter!

Since 2001, Loaves & Fishes has been an important way to make a difference in the lives of many in our community. Spread the word to others and say "YES" to giving gifts that truly matter!

Co-sponsored by:
First Presbyterian Church of Asheville
www.fpcasheville.org

And Trinity Episcopal Church of Asheville
www.trinityasheville.org

Arts For Life

We are dedicated to supporting people facing serious illnesses and disabilities. By providing educational art, music, and creative writing lessons, we enrich pediatric patients' lives, nurture their minds and spirits, and encourage positive health care experiences for children and their families. We help children locally at Mission Children's Hospital. Donations help purchase items such as:

- Art supplies for a pediatric patient and their entire family to create an art project together (\$10)
- One art lesson for an artist in the hospital: materials, educational lesson, and a teacher to guide the project. (\$25)
- Four music lessons, delivered by a professional musician at children's bedsides in the hospital (\$100)
- Art tables at the hospital for an entire day: in four locations, serving dozens of kids and family members (\$250)

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Asheville Poverty Initiative

API facilitates opportunities for community building and personal encounters that will challenge stereotypes and decrease fear that stems from an "us" and "them" philosophy grounded in economic injustice. One of our ministries is 12 Baskets Cafe, a volunteer-run cafe that serves 100% rescued food bearing witness to God's promise of abundance for ALL. Donations help purchase items such as:

- A daily dignified meal (\$5)
- A livable hourly wage for poverty scholar (\$15)
- 4 stainless steel pans in which to collect food (\$25)
- Half of a Cafe's monthly rent (\$250)

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Asheville Youth Mission

AYM is where mission, creativity, and transformation are happening with young people. Participants will work with agencies that stand with our friends in poverty, homelessness, and food insecurity, in both urban and rural settings. Donations help purchase items such as:

- Popsicles for youth to share with homeless neighbors next summer (\$10)
- Rake for landscaping work at Asheville agencies (\$20)
- Recreation supplies for a game day with children living in poverty (\$50)
- Youth Mission Immersion Scholarships (\$320)

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BeLoved Asheville

We put love into action daily to re-knit people and neighborhoods back together through providing home and resources for those on the streets, providing fresh food and support services for families with children and elders living in poverty, and creating opportunities for creativity and social entrepreneurship. It is a place to belong, build lasting relationships, meet basic needs, and flourish as leaders in making our community better. Donations help purchase items such as:

- Nourishing meal for someone living on the streets (\$1)
- Fresh produce for an elder through our Free Farmer's Market at the Senior Center (\$5)
- Support a homeless artist at our Rise Up Artist studio for the month (\$50)
- House one person in our transitional housing program for one month (\$250)

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Black Mountain Home for Children Youth & Families

The home serves abused, abandoned, and neglected children from birth through college graduation through family foster care, residential care, transitional living, and independent living. We seek to provide a safe, Christian environment where children can heal from past trauma and look toward building a successful future. Donations help purchase items such as:

- A coloring book and crayons to keep little hands busy (\$10)
- An NIV teen study Bible to help make God's word clear (\$20)
- A welcome basket for a child's first night (\$50)
- A new bicycle for Christmas (\$100)

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Child Care Center of First Presbyterian Church

Since 1967 CCC has been providing quality childcare in the center of Asheville. A non-profit full-time center serving children age six weeks to age five, we are open to all children and families – regardless of race, color, religion, nationality, age, disability, or creed – who may benefit from our programs. Donations help purchase items such as:

- New book for the classroom (\$5)
- New toy/manipulative for the classroom (\$10)
- Tuition help for a family in need (\$50)

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Caring for Children (Trinity Place Youth Shelter)

We provide temporary housing for both male and female youths age 7-17. Our clients, some of which are homeless and/or runaway, are referred to us by a variety of sources, including: Department of Social Services, Department of Juvenile Justice, various mental health agencies, and parents seeking respite. We work closely with other programs, including outpatient therapeutic services, foster care, a group home, and an independent living program for women. Donations help purchase items such as:

- Toiletries such as shampoo, body wash, deodorant, toothbrushes and toothpaste, etc.
- Warm clothes for the winter for those youths who do not have any. Household products, including disinfecting wipes, paper towels, toilet paper, etc.
- School supplies such as backpacks, pens and paper, etc.

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Children First/Communities in Schools

We believe that ALL children deserve to reach their full potential, so we surround them and their families with supports so they can succeed in their schools, communities, and homes. 5 Student Support Specialists, 2 after-school Learning Centers, and the Family Resource Center at Emma provide mentoring, homework help, enrichment activities, parenting classes, a food pantry and clothing closet, and emergency financial assistance. Donations help purchase items such as:

- Materials for a parenting class at our Family Resource Center at Emma (\$10)
- A month of homework assistance and a healthy snack for a child in our Learning Centers (\$25)
- Emergency utility/rent assistance for a family in crisis (\$50-\$100)
- One week of summer camp for an at-risk youth (\$150)

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Church of the Advocate

A welcoming presence to those in need in downtown Asheville and the greater community, we offer two hot meals per week, a clothes closet, a nurse station, and work program to those in need. We supply sleeping bags, seasonal clothing, shoes, and needed household items to the homeless and newly-housed population in our area, along with offering counseling referrals and city bus passes for medical appointments. We partner with local agencies, churches, schools, and other organizations to serve our brother and sisters in Christ. Donations help purchase items such as:

- Multivitamins for our nurse to give out (\$5)
- Cold bottled water to give on the street or flashlight and batteries (\$10)
- Thermals, socks, and gloves for one person (\$20)
- Sleeping bag for a homeless person (\$50)

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Haywood Street Congregation

Our vision is to create a community where barriers that divide people of privilege from people struggling in poverty are broken, and each person can claim their identity as a child of God. We pursue our vision in the context of programs that help address the needs of individuals experiencing homelessness or struggling in poverty. Donations help purchase items such as:

- Communion elements for Wednesday worship (\$15)
- Seed & Feed for Love & Fishes Garden (\$25)
- Lunch for a table of Friends @ Downtown Welcome Table (\$50)
- Overnight staff or Haywood Street Respite (\$250)

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10,000 Villages Community Shopping!

From Monday, November 28 through Friday, December 9th, mention **LOAVES & FISHES** at the checkout counter of 10,000 Villages (downtown location, 10 College Street) & 15% of your purchase will be donated to our Loaves & Fishes agencies!

Homeward Bound of Western North Carolina

Homeward Bound works with others to end homelessness in Buncombe and Henderson Counties. Beginning with services for about 170 homeless persons every day at our AHOPE Day Center, we move individuals and families from shelters and the streets into permanent housing. We believe that housing is a basic human right and is integral to self-worth, dignity and personal growth. Donations help purchase items such as:

- Over the counter medicines such as ibuprofen and band aids (\$5)
- Monthly bus passes (\$10)
- Birth certificates and ID cards for access to housing and services (\$25)
- Move-in box (cleaning/paper products, toiletries, household furnishings) for newly housed persons (\$50)

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Just Economics

Our mission is to educate, advocate, and organize for a just and sustainable local economy that works for all in Western North Carolina. We address economic injustice through our focus issues of living wages, affordable housing, and efficient transit. We work directly with and in communities most impacted by these issues and together we advocate for systems change leading to a better economic community. Donations help purchase items such as:

- Dinner for our low-income participants in our Voices for Economic Justice Class- a leadership and community organizing training for low-wage workers (\$25)
- Stipend for low-income person to facilitate a workshop around economic injustice (\$50)
- 4 hours of research on our Transit Campaign, an effort to improve the bus system lead by bus riders (\$100)

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Loving Food Resources

LFR is a unique, self-serve food pantry providing food, health, and personal care items to people in WNC living with HIV/AIDS or in Home Hospice care with any diagnosis. We provide these services in a compassionate, non-judgmental, and respectful environment. Your gifts help increase the quality and quantity of food for all our clients, and the frequency of food deliveries to clients in the outlying counties. Donations help purchase items such as:

- Nutritious food that provides immune system support such as fresh produce, eggs, yogurt and lean protein
- Personal care products such as toilet tissue, soap, deodorant, shampoo, toothbrushes and toothpaste

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Ministry of Hope Chaplaincy Program at Swannanoa Correctional Center for Women

We are a community-funded chaplaincy program which raises funds to employ on-site chaplains at Swannanoa Correctional Center for Women. Our chaplains conduct religious services in the center's chapel and provide pastoral care and spiritual guidance to the inmates. Donations help purchase items such as:

- Read Me a Story book and recording (\$15)
- Pastoral care session (\$25)
- One-day retreat for mom and teen (\$50)
- Overnight retreat for mom and child (\$75)

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Wheels4Hope of Asheville

We repair donated cars and match them with economically vulnerable people who need them. We know that reliable transportation is critical to survive and thrive in this community, allowing people to care for their basic needs, remain employed, and spend time with their children. Donations help purchase items such as:

- Provide a full tank of gas for a vehicle recipient (\$35)
- Toward the purchase of auto parts for a donated vehicle (\$75)
- 3 hours of specialized mechanic labor to repair a donated vehicle (\$120)
- Provides a 6-month warranty for a vehicle that has been placed with a local family (\$500)

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Ways to Participate

1. Attend the gift market on Sunday, December 4th at First Presbyterian Church. For your generous donations, you will receive a gift card insert and a holiday greeting card & envelope. Agency representatives will be on hand to share information about their work.

2. Make your donations by mail, fax, scan/email, or bring to the church office of First Presbyterian Church (40 Church St. – entrance on Aston St.)

Mail: 40 Church St., Asheville, NC 28801

Email: dawncarlton.dc@gmail.com

FAX: 828-253-3192

We will contact you when your gift inserts/cards/envelopes are ready to be picked up at FPC – or we will mail to you if you prefer.

Orders for gift cards/inserts MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18TH. Questions? Call FPCA 828-253-1431 or email dawncarlton.dc@gmail.com

NAME: _____

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TOTAL DONATION: \$ _____

TOTAL # CARDS/INSERTS _____

PLEASE MAKE ALL CHECKS PAYABLE TO:

First Presbyterian Church Asheville

40 Church Street

Asheville, NC 28801

Indicate "LOAVES & FISHES" on the check

100% of funds donated will support the agencies. Most of the items listed in this brochure are representative in nature only. Organizations reserve the right to purchase items that will best meet agency demand.