

During 2020, I'm In Ministry! provided furniture, clothing, and household items to over 500 families, representing 2,000+ individuals (1,200 of which are children) at no cost. Over 5,000 pieces of furniture and household items have been distributed during the challenge of a pandemic year. I'm In Ministry! focuses on serving women and children, the homeless living without basic necessities, those who suffer from domestic violence, the working poor, and the elderly.

In November of 2020, I'm In Ministry! moved to a former school building operated by St. Therese Church, in Garfield Hts.

The new I'm In Ministry! Fulfillment Center provides a great work, preparation, and storage space where furniture, clothing, and household items are prepped to be redistributed to those in need. We are in gratitude to Kurtz Bros., Inc. who donated the space and utilities over the past three years. These formative essential years were essential to the success and growth of I'm In Ministry!



Community Collaborations

Since the inception of I'm In Ministry! six years ago, I'm In Ministry! has been thankful for the opportunity to partner with many community organizations. These Partners in collaboration below are a few:

- **The Bishop Cosgrove Center (Cosgrove Center)** - For many years I'm In Ministry! has provided winter clothing to individuals facing harsh winter conditions. We also have provided hand-made waterproof mats, blankets or vests to the homeless. I'm In Ministry! has also delivered grocery bags monthly to disabled/homebound seniors for the Cosgrove Center.
- **The Christ Child Society** – Over 407 children have received beds through our partnership with the Christ Child Society since April 2019. In addition to the Christ Child beds, families may receive additional furniture, clothing, bedding, etc. based on their needs.
- **The Greater Cleveland Food Bank** – Another long-standing collaboration has been with The Greater Cleveland Food Bank through the distribution of produce and grocery staples to low-income senior apartment complexes.
- **The Rainbow Connects Program at UH Rainbow Center for Women & Children** – I'm In Ministry! provides furniture, clothing, and household items to young families with children referred to us. These families are often facing emergency needs in dire circumstances.
- **The Literacy Cooperative** – I'm In Ministry! partners with The Literacy Cooperative by distributing age-relevant books to children. We distribute on average 200 books per month to introduce the books to the families.
- **Womankind** – I'm In Ministry! connects new parents to services provided by Womankind including prenatal visits for clients, diapers and baby formula and new infant car seats to families in need.

We are grateful for . . .

- the opportunity to help the Families we've been privileged to serve. Beyond the furniture we've delivered and the services we've provided, we value the relationships we've built. We consider these relationships to be intentional, long-lasting, and key to our mission and success.
- the 500 plus Donors of furniture, appliances, household items, clothing and other items to assist individuals that have limited resources and no support system. We have learned much from assisting those in need because the true meaning of giving is also receiving. Thank you for your wisdom of care and generosity.
- the Financial Supporters. You have believed and contributed to our Mission as we provide to the less fortunate in our area. You are the heart of a helping hand.



2021 - Looking ahead

- 2021 will bring a significant increase in requests for services including a growing percentage of those who are elderly. This is significantly added to the 3,000-4,000 people served in the distribution of furniture, food, clothing, and household items.
- I'm In Ministry! will be launching a literacy program in 2021 to expand reading programs for adults and children. We will not just be providing books, but helping to learn to read.
- Reestablishing our food service, post Covid to those I'm In Ministry has been unable to supply and move to greater relationship enhancement through fulfilling additional needs.
- Linking additional Partners in Collaboration to meet the needs of those lost and forgotten. Our web of connectivity to other organizations make our world better, one family at a time.....
- Add to our Volunteer base and working staff that tirelessly give no matter when or what the call.



Over the past six years, we are thankful for the support that allows us to provide a level of service and address the growing needs of those who are disadvantaged. We are thankful, as we could not have accomplished all we have in 2020 without your help or what we are inspired to for 2021.

Blessings,

*Deacon Lou Primozic
and The Dedicated Staff and Volunteers of
I'm in Ministry!*