



The Thrift Store

The Bethlehem Center has an on-site thrift store that is open to the public Wednesday's, Thursday's and Friday's from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. Volunteers are occasionally needed to assist with sorting, restocking and working with customers. Donations are accepted daily and are tax deductible. 100% of proceeds support the operations and programs of the Center.

The Bethlehem Center gladly accepts and appreciates gently used donations.
Please note we cannot accept...

- non-working electrical equipment
- non-working appliances
- computers over 3 years of age
- old children's books and magazines
- paint or items containing potentially harmful chemicals
- automobile parts, household fixtures, mattresses, used carpeting or padding
- gas grills, gas powered equipment, A/C units or playground equipment



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The Bethlehem Center is a Mission Institute of the United Methodist Women National Office, The South Carolina Conference of United Methodist Women, and a program of the Advanced Special Ministries of the South Carolina UMC.



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The
Bethlehem
Center

serving the community since 1930

*we envision a future where
all individuals will reach
their full potential...*



Our Mission

To strengthen individuals and families physically, emotionally, spiritually, socially, educationally and intellectually.



Our Vision

We envision a world in which all people are recipients of the basic necessities for a fruitful and enriched life.

Toward this goal, the Bethlehem Center provides services and programming for all individuals. The Bethlehem Center desires to engage and encourage those in the community by building relationships, fostering opportunities for partnerships with other groups or businesses and advocating for the needs of the community. The Center's efforts are focused on providing opportunities for individuals to realize their potential and improve the quality of their lives.

A Brief History

For over 80 years, the Bethlehem Center has been a safe haven, providing quality services and programs for the community. The programs and services are especially geared to residents of Spartanburg County with financial challenges and/or hardships, with a focus on providing services to assist families with upward mobility and improving their quality of life.



PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

Outreach

The Food Pantry operates three days a week (Monday, Tuesday and Thursday) between the hours of 9:00 am to 12:00 pm. Individuals in need of emergency food assistance are able to obtain non-perishable food items, as well as fresh bread and vegetables (when available). All recipients are required to present a state issued picture ID, social security card, proof of household income and proof of address.

Senior Wellness

The Center's senior program promotes activities and partnerships that provide mobility and access to physical, social and spiritual wellness activities. The senior wellness program allows seniors to interact with other seniors with similar interests and experiences in a setting outside of their homes while also being physically active and engaged in the community.

Tuesday (Active Living - Workshop and Crafts)

10:30 am to 2:00 pm

Wednesday (Sewing to Sow)

10:30 am to 2:00 pm

Thursday (Soul Food - Spiritual Wellness)

10:30 am to 12:00 pm

After School Program

The After School Program operates year round at no cost to the parent and serves children between the ages of 5 to 13. The after school program offers students daily homework assistance, academic enrichment, age appropriate activities, weekly life skills activities and character education lessons, as well as the opportunity to participate in recreational activities.

During the summer a six week day camp is provided and supervised by the City of Spartanburg.

Specialized Training

EKG, Medication Administration, C.N.A and Phlebotomy training is held on-site in an effort to enhance employment training skills for individuals interested in a career in the healthcare field.

This training is provided in collaboration with MedTech and all information regarding training requirements may be obtained by contacting MedTech at (803) 731-2824.

Additional Programs and Services

Youth Programs:

Gardening Club • 4H • Scouting

Recreation:

Baseball • Basketball • Football
Instruction & Teams

Other Services:

Access to computer lab & fitness equipment
(with stipulation)



TO: Governor Haley
From: Lamin Redfearn
Date: 3-18-15

I Would like to build a basketball
Court For the School Children
of this area. To be supervised by
the Bethlehem Center. The Court
Need to be renovated. Avg. Cost \$200.00
Name: Give the Court a Name,

- Re: PO Box 1471

Spartanburg, SC 29304

Please Contact Here For Information.
Thanks