meal sponsorship opportunities



Community Shelter Board opened a new center with multiple shelter programs – Van Buren Center – to address the growing numbers of men, women and families experiencing homelessness.

We rely on volunteers to either underwrite the food costs of the evening meal or prepare the food themselves.

Here are the options:

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MEAL	COST	TIME	BRING
Dinner	\$500	5:30 -	 up to 15 people to serve dinner, or
Sponsor		7:30 pm	have Community Shelter Board recruit volunteers
Dinner	TBD	4:00 -	 Purchase heat-and-eat food
Host 1		7:30 pm	e.g., frozen lasagna, vegetable/salad, bread to serve 150 women or 175 family members or both.
			 8-10 people to prepare and serve the meal
Dinner Host 2	TBD	5:00 - 7:30 pm	 Prepare the meal offsite and bring ready to serve
			e.g. protein, vegetable/fruit and starch to serve 150 women or 175 family members or both.
			 8-10 people to prepare and serve the meal



Ways to make it happen:

Dinner Sponsor

- Consider seeking a sponsorship or match opportunity from your employer.
- Bring your book club, sorority, fraternity, alumni group or small group from church. For a group with 10 volunteers, the cost would be \$50 per person, and CSB will recruit the balance of volunteers needed. For a group with 15-20 members, the cost would be \$25-\$33 per person.
- For a group of 20, consider individual fundraising efforts by each person. If each group member raises \$100 in 2017, that covers four meal servings in one year.
- Invite friends to help you celebrate your birthday by providing and serving a meal. For a group of 15-20 friends, their gift to you can be a donation of \$25-\$33 per person.

Dinner Host

- Gather a group of friends and family to each bring a prepared item for the meal or plan on preparing it together in your own kitchen facilities.
- This is a great opportunity for people to work together and get to know one another better, either from the workplace, neighborhood or faith community.
- Challenge your favorite local chef to work with your group to cook the evening meal together.

For more information on the meal sponsorship program, contact Cary Simonton at 614-715-2030 x211 or volunteer@csb.org.

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