

ASHEVILLE BUNCOMBE COMMUNITY CHRISTIAN MINISTRY (ABCCM)

ABCCM is generously supported by over 289 churches of all denominations and 6,100 trained volunteers and provides emergency assistance to anyone in need regardless of race, color, national origin, sex, age, religion, or disability. ABCCM stimulates doing together what individual congregations and individuals cannot do separately. While responding to meet emergency needs, we develop strategic plans to address root causes of poverty, take steps to achieve independent living skills and restore lives in the community. We accomplish this through these ministries: Crisis Ministry, Jail/ Ministry, Veterans Restoration Quarters, Steadfast House, Medical Ministry and Veteran Services of the Carolinas.

Ministering To Families In Crisis

Many of our neighbors live paycheck to paycheck, making difficult choices on a daily basis between rent, utilities, food, health care, day care and so much more.

An unexpected expense can throw these families into financial crises. When that happens, people turn to the ABCCM Crisis Ministry for help. This ministry serves the low-income citizens of Buncombe County who are facing financial emergencies and are struggling to meet life's basic needs.

Each day we see people who are working in one or more low-wage jobs, the disabled or elderly who are living on fixed incomes, and those facing increasing costs of living, stagnant wages and a lack of affordable housing. We provide them with food boxes, gently used clothing, utility and rental assistance; and a hot meal in our soup kitchen. With your support we will help ensure our families can provide a home for their children.

Volunteer Opportunities

Soup Kitchen/Food Pantry

Sort and organize food on shelves

Prepare "nutritional" food bags for families according to the guidelines

Assist with keeping things clean and orderly

Help prepare soup and sandwiches to feed hungry people (only at the 24 Cumberland Crisis Ministry)

Help carry in donations

Clothing Room

Assist clients in finding needed clothing

Organize the clothing on hangers and shelves

Help identify clothing items needed for restocking

Sort usable off-season and out-of-style clothing from usable items

Counselor

Interview clients to assess their needs and determine possible solutions to their crisis

Act as a referral source and work with other community agencies to provide services to clients

Update client information

Food Needs

Canned beans

Canned chicken

Canned fish (Tuna & salmon)

Canned fruits

Canned meats (spam, ham)

Canned soups

Canned vegetables

Cooking oil

Fresh & canned seasonal fruits

Hot & cold cereal

Jelly

Juices

Past & pasta sauce

Saltine crackers

Self-rising flour

Sugar

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Hours: Monday - Friday 8:30 am - 4:30 pm

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