

## St Vincent De Paul Society St Mary Franklin

## Interim Results 10/1/24 to 5/31/25

"I can do things you cannot, you can do things I cannot; together we can do great things. " Mother Teresa

<u>Thank you</u> to all the parishioners, the Knights of Columbus, CCD classes and all the other organizations for your continued support of SVDP by generously donating food and financial assistance so we can help Franklin residents in need. Special thanks to Fathers Bob, John, and Deacon Ron for spreading God's message of the importance of helping others.

In the first eight months of our Fiscal Year 2025 we continued our mission of serving Neighbors in need. We meet in pairs with people seeking assistance to thoroughly assess the need either in their homes or at the church. Our 38 volunteers had calls with neighbors in need over 800 times, with 2,100 people helped.

Altogether financially, your donations served families 209 times for over \$39,000 with the largest items being housing, utilities, furniture, automobile related and gift cards for Easter meals/food/gas. Any financial assistance was paid directly to the provider of services and not to the person seeking assistance.

## Your generosity also helped our day-to-day operations as follows:

- Distribute over 406 bags of donated food and 57 Hygiene bags.
- Give out Complimentary SVDP Thrift Store vouchers worth almost \$1,800
- Caring Tree 108 families, 266 people helped for a total of over \$12,800 in Gift Cards
- Mother's Day Bags for 61 people worth over \$2,700

We continue to have strong relationships with town organizations and businesses. In total we gave families 92 referrals to town, state and federal agencies that might help them.

The most important members of this Ministry are each of you, our Contributing members, without whom we would not be able to serve. We thank you for your generosity, and want you to know your contributions are very appreciated by the people we serve.

Promoters of <u>Hope</u>, Apostles of <u>Charity</u> and Advocates of the <u>Dignity</u> of the human person