

River Cities  
Information, Referral & Assistance  
Services

Annual Report  
October 2016-September 2017

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## **Mission Statement**

To bridge gaps in community services by providing information, making referrals, and coordinating timely emergency assistance, while respecting the dignity of those we serve.

# How Have We Helped?

The following statistics reflect the number of people and demographics requesting assistance through the IRAS office between October 1, 2016 and September 30, 2017.

6028 residents requested assistance

## Race and Gender

- 23% African American
- 74% Caucasian
- 2% Bi-Racial
- 1% Other
- 54% Female
- 46% Male

## Status

- 19% Homeless or near homeless
- 23% Disabled
- 5% Military veterans
- 18% Employed

## Housing

- 6% living in emergency shelter or hotel
- 21% staying with friends or family
- 3% own their home
- 41% rent an apartment or house
- 9% living on the streets or in their cars

# How Have We Helped

## Services Report

Of the requests for assistance received, we helped in the following ways:

### Housing Stability

- 57 individuals received assistance with utility deposits to move into new homes
- 60 individuals received assistance with their rental payments allowing them to remain in their homes
- Provided 36 nights to 28 individuals through our motel voucher program

### Filling the Gaps

- 1868 households including 6519 individuals were assisted with food through Pantries United
- 498 households including 1618 individuals were assisted with 44,202 pounds of food and 36,834 meals through our quarterly Mobile Food Pantries
- 178 children were assisted with weekend food packages each week
- 78 individuals were assisted with transportation to work, doctor's appointments and school
- 60 individuals were helped with obtaining the documentation so they could receive state aid or begin work
- 45 individuals were assisted with the purchase of eyeglasses
- 211 individuals were assisted with purchasing necessary prescription medication

# Partnerships and Support

Information, Referral & Assistance Services has provided services to low income households because of the support of local churches, community groups, individuals, as well as grants and fundraising.

We would like to thank these partners and donors for their generosity. We regret if any individual or organization has been erroneously omitted from the list.

## *Prescription Medication Program Partners*

Med Tree-Mercy Medical Center  
Eagle's Fraternity Club



## *Pantries United Partners*

### **Food Sites: Associate Benevolent Society & Salvation Army**

St Paul Lutheran	CROP Hunger Walk
River City Food Association	ADM
Trinity Evangelical Lutheran	Candlelight LLC
Data Dimensions	Abate of Iowa
Zion Lutheran Church	Community Reformed Church
Cranksgiving	Prince of Peace
Odelia Schrunk	Zion Elvira Lutheran Church
MAC 94.7	First United Methodist Church
Mary Callahan	Christian Women's Outreach
Operation Rice Bowl-Davenport	Organization
Diocese	Union 888



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### *Mobile Food Pantry Partners*

Riverbend Food Bank

ADM

Associate Benevolent Society

Salvation Army

RSVP

Accentra Credit Union

### *Bike Sale Partners*

Clinton Police Department

Skyline Center

Clinton Recreational Department

Clausen's Trucking



### *Christmas Giving Partners*

Alliant Energy-ML Kapp Station

Village Corporation

Clinton Herald



### *Thanksgiving Food Partners*

Associate Benevolent Society

Church of the Open Door

St Paul Lutheran Church



### *Backpack Buddy*

#### *Food Program Partners*

United Way of Clinton County

Riverbend Foodbank

Clausen's Trucking

Alliant Energy

River Bluff Community Foundation

St Vincent's Home Corporation

Theisen's

Eagles Club

Anthem

# Fundraising

## IRAS Casino Night

The IRAS Casino Night is our largest annual fundraiser. The outpouring of support was exciting and the impact it has made on the lives of the less fortunate in our community is huge.

### Royal Flush Sponsors

ADM  
Ashford University  
Howes and Jefferies  
Sethness  
Clinton Herald  
KMAC  
Vista Grande

### Straight Flush Sponsors

Abstract Title & Guaranty	Alliant Energy-ML Kapp
Beckwith Roofing	Citizens First Bank
Classic Bodyworks	Iowa American Water
Clinton National Bank	Nelsoncorp Wealth Management
Ron & Marcia Heeren	Mercy Medical Center

### Full House Sponsors

Alliant Energy  
Brinkman Building Center  
Carpetland USA  
Custom Pak  
Kroemer Insurance  
Legend's Sports Bar and Grill  
Pape Funeral Home  
Snell Zornig  
The Insurance Group  
US Bank  
Zirklebach's  
Michal Callen

## Auction Item Donors

392 Café	Cato Fashions	Adcraft Printwear
Charles Alan Salon	Clover Hills	Colleen Rick
Deanna's Java Station	Eagle River Liquor	Eva's Hair Mechanix
Figge Art Museum	Fulton Corporative	Fulton Meat Market
Great Clips	Jumer's Hotel & Casino	Manny's Too
Maurice's	Mississippi River Museum	Pizza Hut
The Head Shed	Van's TV	Wilson's Floral
Words of Wisdom	Ace Hardware	Aloha Tanning
Antique Archeology	Applebees	Ave Resort & Casino
Awesome Car Wash	Berger Fine Arts	Blank Park Zoo
Boegel's Mens Wear	Chicago Bears	Children's Discovery Center
Clinton 8 Theaters	Cordova Dragway Park	Cousin's
D & M Embroidery	Dairy Queen	Days Inn Chicago
Déjà Vu Consignment	Design Setters	Don's Jewelry
Dudad's Hallmark	Eastern Iowa Propane	Embassy Suites
Family Museum	Firestone	Flower's on 5 <sup>th</sup>
Gifts Galore	Goddard's Eastman House	Hampton Inn
Happy Joes	Harbor Shores Hotel	Home Depot
Indianapolis Colts	J&D Steakhouse	John Deere Classic
Kansas City Royals	Kitchen & Bath Inspirations	Kwik Star
Lagunitas Brewing Company	Lake Geneva Cruiseline	Lakeside Hotel Casino
Clinton Lumber Kings	Millstream Brewing Company	Minnesota Twins
Minnesota Vikings	NAPA Auto Parts	Necker's Jewelry
Nestle Purina	Nutrition Plus	Off Shore Bar & Grill
The Laugh Factory	O'Reilly Auto Part	Paul's Discount
Pizza Ranch	The Oaks	Plaza Bowl
River Bandits	Twilight Riverboat Cruise	Renaissance Resale Boutique
Riverview Swimming Pool	Sawmill Museum	Shedd Aquarium
Sheraton Lake Buena Vista	Spangler's Landscape	Sunset World Resort
St Louis Cardinals	Sweetheart Bakery	Swiss Colony
Tandem Tire	Tanglez Salon	Tegler's Amish Furniture
Texas Roadhouse	The Fireplace Shop	Theisen's
Timberlake Playhouse	Walt Disney World	Wild Rose Casino
Village Inn	Wingate by Wyndham	Wings and Thngs
Witt's Small Engine	Comedy Sportz	Chicago Cubs
Chicago White Sox	Green Bay Packers	Southwest Airlines



Due to the growing needs in our community Information, Referral & Assistance Services has added additional fundraisers to help meet the needs throughout the year.

We would like to thank  
Slop's for hosting our Trivia Night fundraiser &  
Zion Lutheran Church for their Community Assistance Fund Silent Auction & Brunch  
Fundraiser to support IRAS Services!