

## **PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN OF REDSTONE PRESBYTERY**

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### **TOGETHER IN SERVICE - MISSION OPPORTUNITIES – 2026**

Together in Service, formerly known as Mission Opportunities, is one way that Presbyterian Women support mission. The generous giving of Presbyterian Women to Together in Service funds mission initiatives such as health care, education, reconciliation and healing, poverty relief and more, as well as support for existing denominational and ecumenical programs.

To be *Together in Service*, PW groups offer ongoing support to local church or community projects. Other groups commit to answering short-term needs in their communities.

### **LOCAL MISSION OPPORTUNITIES**

**Redstone PW** encourages support of six local non-profit organizations. These are:

1. City Mission (Living Stones Inc.) in Uniontown
2. The Blackburn Center in Greensburg
3. The Welcome Home Shelter in Greensburg
4. Angel Arms in Latrobe
5. Interfaith Volunteer Caregivers of Fayette in Uniontown
6. FAVOR-Western PA (Faces and Voices of Recovery) in Bolivar

Information about these programs and how you can help can be found on the following pages.

### **CITY MISSION (LIVING STONES INC.)**

**GPS Address: 155N. Gallatin Ave. Uniontown, PA 15401(P.O. Box 943)**

**Phone: 724-439-0201((M-F 9AM-5PM) Website: [www.citymissionfayette.org](http://www.citymissionfayette.org)**

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**Email: [vyauger@citymissionfayette.org](mailto:vyauger@citymissionfayette.org)**

City Mission Living Stones, Inc. is a nonprofit organization whose sole purpose is to provide for the needs of the homeless population. Each year they serve over 500 men, women and children through shelter programs. Services are specifically designed to facilitate the transition from homelessness to independence and economic security. They operate four facilities; a men's shelter, a women's shelter, the Gallatin Living Center which has units for families and Home Again for youth. For more details go to their website [www.citymissionfayette.org](http://www.citymissionfayette.org) This website has a wealth of information about their programs and future projects. Monetary donations are needed for several capital projects. Some of the buildings need renovations and they plan to increase the number of housing units. Our annual food drive (March and April) allows us to raise money that goes directly towards developing an adequate food supply for our emergency shelters and families in crisis.

Their needs change so you should call before doing a donation drive.

Please call first if you need to drop off these suggested donations:

**PERSONAL:** Men and women. Comb, brush, toothpaste, toothbrush, shampoo, crème rinse, shaving needs, disposable razors, deodorant. Sanitary products for women,

**FIRST AID:** Peroxide, rubbing alcohol, latex and non-latex gloves and band aids.

**LAYETTE:** Disposable diapers, baby wipes and all baby supplies.

**HOUSEHOLD:** Paper towels, napkins, toilet paper, cleaning and laundry products.

**BOOKS:** Large Print Bibles (King James) Children's books

**SPECIAL: CASH:** *Needed for food supplements.* **GIFT CARDS** for Grocery Stores

# BLACKBURN CENTER AGAINST DOMESTIC & SEXUAL VIOLENCE

Address: 1011 Old Salem Road, Ste 202, Greensburg, PA 15601

Mailing Address: PO Box 398, Greensburg, PA 15601

Contact: Jenny Quaka: Phone: 724-837-9540 , ext. 144; email: [jennyq@blackburncenter.org](mailto:jennyq@blackburncenter.org)

Toll-free 24-hour hotline #: 1-888-832-2272 or 724-836-1122

Website: [www.blackburncenter.org](http://www.blackburncenter.org)

Since 1976, Blackburn Center has been providing services to victims of domestic and sexual violence in Westmoreland County and presenting education programs across this community. Our mission is to actively advocate for the rights of all people to live free from violence and oppression in their homes and communities and provide supportive services to survivors of all forms of domestic violence and sexual assault. All of Blackburn Center's client services are **free** and **confidential** and can be **anonymous**.

New items needed throughout the Year for Blackburn Center's clients/shelter residents include the following:

## Kitchen

Dish drying racks

**Dinnerware sets**

**Drinking glasses/cups**

**Especially need food items now!!**

**Food items:** any canned food, other non-perishables, etc. \*Food items we especially need: condiments (preferably in smaller sizes - mayonnaise, mustard, ketchup, jelly, and salad dressing), all kinds of soups, canned tuna, canned chicken and other meats, canned or bottled juices.

Silverware-sets

**Kitchen utensils**

**Glass baking dishes**

Plastic pitchers

Paper towel holders

Pots & Pans

Skillets

Small appliances: **electric**

**Can openers, coffee makers,**

**Toasters, mixers, etc.**

**Zip-lock bags** (2 gallon sizes, **2.5 gallon, quart** size)

## Bathroom

Children's Toothpaste

Hairbrushes

**Hair care products for women of color**

Paper products: toilet paper

**Shower Curtains & Liners**

**Toddler/Training Toothpaste**

## Bedroom

**Air Mattresses (any size)**

Bed-in-a-bag sets (twin & full)

**Comforters (twin & full)**

Baby monitor

**Underwear: Women's sizes 9-12**

*Travel-size toiletries are not needed at this time. (Except toothpaste and toothbrushes both for adult & children travel size or regular)*

*Shampoo, conditioner, body wash, bar soap, and menstrual hygiene products are needed.*

## Miscellaneous

Adult coloring books

Flashlights

Duffel Bags

Extension cords

**Gasoline cards** (Get Go & Sheetz)

**Gift cards** (Giant Eagle, Shop n' Save, Walmart & Target)

**Long distance calling cards**

Square Sterilite Laundry baskets

**Mops**

Mr. Clean Magic Erasers

**Sweat suits** sizes S,M,1X,.2X,.3X

**Tool kits**

**TracFones & Cards**

This list changes from time to time, so go to the website for an up-to-date list of needs.

Please put the items that are in **bold** at the top of your shopping list.

We ask that all donated items be **new**.

CASH donations are always appreciated.

Deliver your donations on Tuesdays & Thursdays from 9Am to 3PM.

To arrange for a donation drop-off at a different time, please call the office at 724-837-9540.

If you have used items to donate, the agency can provide a list of thrift shops in the area that make items available to Blackburn Center residents at no cost to them.

## **WELCOME HOME SHELTER (CONNECT INC.)**

**Address: 218 South Maple Ave. Greensburg, PA 15601**

**Contact: Tracy Scott / Phone: 724-838-9133**

The Mission of the Welcome Home Shelter is to combat the homelessness in Westmoreland County and surrounding counties. They provide temporary housing and support services to homeless families, single parent families and single women. They offer a 30 to 60 day stay at the shelter. During that time, case managers attempt to address the reasons which caused the homeless situation and work with the client to find safe and affordable housing. Classes in budgeting, housing, home maintenance, nutrition and parenting are offered at the shelter. Each year Welcome Home assists an average 250 women, children and men who find themselves homeless in Westmoreland County or 7000 shelter nights.

They appreciate financial gifts, new or gently used clothing and small household items. Following is a list of items you can donate to help their guests.

### **Toiletries**

Shampoo/Conditioner  
Deodorant (male & female)  
Razors-Shaving Cream  
Feminine Hygiene products  
Make-up

### **Food**

Non-perishable items  
Spices, Condiments  
Sugar, coffee, flour, rice, tea  
**\*Bottled water** (*always need*)  
Juice (canned or frozen)  
Dry food goods (potatoes, mixes)  
Healthy children's drinks

### **Kitchen Items**

Kitchen Garbage Bags  
Dish towels & wash cloths-sponges  
Food storage containers  
Aluminum Foil-plastic wrap  
Zip-lock bags (assorted sizes)  
Pots and pans  
Plastic storage bowls  
Paper plates, cups, utensils, napkins

### **Miscellaneous**

Batteries (AAA,AA,D,C)  
*Especially Flashlight Batteries*  
Storage containers  
Scotch Tape

### **Adult Needs**

Bus passes  
Postage Stamps  
Gift cards (Walmart, Shop n' Save, Giant Eagle, Rite-Aid etc.)  
Phone cards  
Calendars (appt. books, tablets, pens)  
Socks, gloves, caps, underwear (male & female)

### **Children's Needs**

Diapers (all sizes)  
Infant and toddler clothing  
Socks, all sizes (male & female)  
Bottles-Bibs  
Infant and toddler food  
Shampoo-Body wash

### **Linens**

Bath towels and washcloths  
Blankets (single & double)  
Twin and double sheets  
**\*Comforters (single & double) and Pillows**  
*(especially in low supply at this time)*

### **Medicine Cabinet Supplies**

Ice packs  
First aid (Band-aids, kits)  
Thermometers  
Desitin  
Black Garbage Bags

**CONNECT has a Reclamation Center** that accepts your donations and the revenue from the sale of those donations help fund homeless assistance programming. We gratefully accept gently used donations that are sold in our store or given to needy residents we serve in our homeless programming in Westmoreland County. It is located at **4000 Hempfield Plaza Blvd., Suite 926, Greensburg, PA 15601**. Open: Tuesdays, Thursdays & Fridays: 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM and Wednesdays: 12:00 PM – 6:00 PM /Closed: Sat., Sun., & Mon. For a limited time we are asking that you coordinate a scheduled drop off of your donations, by calling 724-838-9133, and asking for Tracy Scott.

### Items We Can Accept:

- **Clothing of any type**
- **Books, Records, CD's** (No magazines or Encyclopedias)
- **Furniture** (Must be in good condition. No water damage, severe cosmetic damage to wooden items, no rips, stains, tears, or structural damage. We are unable to take disassembled pressed wood items.)
- **Collectibles**
- **Jewelry**
- **Antiques**
- **Shoes & Accessories** (Handbags, Ties, Belts, Scarves, etc.)
- **Household items** (Dishes, House-Ware, Knick-Knacks, etc. Must be clean and undamaged.)
- **Linens** (Sheets, Towels, Blankets, etc.)
- **Small Electrical Items** (TV's, Radios, Clocks, Lamps etc. They must be in good working order. Televisions cannot be older than 5 years.)
- **Computers, Laptops, and other electronic items.** All personal information should be wiped as well as all passwords removed. CRT monitors **will not** be accepted because of the toxic material content.
- **Large Household Appliances.** Such as Stoves, Refrigerators, Washers, Dryers, Air Conditioners, etc. They must be in proper working order, clean and rust-free and have a power cord. We cannot accept any gas appliances.
- **Mattresses and Box Springs.** Reclamation does sanitize these items; however we cannot accept mattresses if there have any tears, holes, structural damage or stains.
- **Upholstered Items.** We cannot accept items that are torn, soiled, stained, excessively worn, pet damaged or structurally unstable. Reclamation does not repair or professionally clean items and can only offer for sale in the stores clean and useable items.
- **Exercise Equipment.** Bicycles, Treadmills, Sporting Goods, etc. if in good repair. We cannot accept NordicTrack Ski machines. These must be evaluated on an individual basis. Please call for clarification of current policy. (724-838-9133).
- **Garden or Farm Equipment, Tools, Display Props & Cleaning Supplies** (Cleaning Supplies will not be sold. They will be used for cleaning purposes in the Store or emergency homeless shelter

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### ANGEL ARMS

**Address: 338 Main Street, Latrobe, PA 15650**

**Phone: 724-539-7900**

**(Mon-Thu: 8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.)**

**Contact: Dawn Hennessey, Founder/Director and/or Joyce Sterling**

**E-mail: [faithforwardpa@gmail.com](mailto:faithforwardpa@gmail.com)**

**New Location: Angel Arms Brighter Path  
60 W. Market St., Blairsville, PA 15717**

Angel Arms is an infant recovery home. They provide a short-term safe atmosphere for infants and children suffering from substance abuse. Angel Arms provides support services for families and communities; to educate, recognize and provide managed care for infants and children exposed to

drugs while providing services for the birth parents and caregivers. They also are a voice for those who are victims of drug abuse and a support for those who are fighting to heal and be set free. Please support this special program through prayer, financial support, funds for renovation, volunteers, and supplies.

Mark 10:16 “*And he took them in his arms and began blessing them, laying hands on them.*” Dawn Hennessey is the founder and director of Angel Arms. Her story is compelling, and she is willing to share it with groups.

## **Interfaith Volunteer Caregivers of Fayette**

**Trinity United Presbyterian Church**

**79 West Fayette St., Uniontown, PA 15401**

**Telephone: (724)-438-0709 Fax: (724) 437-2700 (M-Thu 9:00-2:00)**

**Carol Ashton, Executive Director: [cashton@ivegcf.org](mailto:cashton@ivegcf.org)**

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**Sue Lockett, Coordinator of Volunteer Services: [slockett@ivegcf.org](mailto:slockett@ivegcf.org)**

Interfaith Volunteer Caregivers was organized in 1991 when Trinity United Presbyterian Church of Uniontown developed a senior ministries program. Initially funded through a grant from the Presbytery, the program grew and incorporated other congregations in the area, creating an interfaith network of trained volunteers to provide supportive services and outreach to meet the needs of the elderly.

Their mission is maintaining older adults in their own home with dignity and independence through the support of people of faith. Interfaith Volunteer Caregivers provides free services to the elderly in the county like medical transportation, grocery shopping, helping with correspondences, balancing checkbooks, taking pets to the veterinarian, telephone reassurances, minor home repairs if they own their own homes and more.

COVID-19 restrictions caused a significant financial blow to the organization as they had to cancel annual fundraisers like their dance, golf scramble and style show. The program is in need of volunteers and financial contributions. Volunteers can do as much or as little as they want, adding that medical transportation is the biggest volunteer need, and most of the transportation is local.

The organization is also looking for monetary donations. A \$5 donation can translate to three hours of service for elderly in the area.

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**F A V O R - Faces and Voices of Recovery Western Pennsylvania / Phone: 724-676-2111**

**Recovery Community Organization (RCO)**

**Bolivar Community Center, 736 Lincoln Street, Bottom Floor, Bolivar, PA 15923**

**2<sup>nd</sup> location: New Florence Methodist Church, 200 9<sup>th</sup> Street, New Florence, PA 15944**

**Website: [www.favorwesternpa.org](http://www.favorwesternpa.org)**

**Email: [info@favorwesternpa.org](mailto:info@favorwesternpa.org)**

**Kim Botteicher, Executive Director**

**Karol Gibbons, Certified Peer Specialist**

***“EVERY PERSON “IN” RECOVERY, OR “SEEKING” RECOVERY DESERVES THE DIGNITY AND RESPECT TO RECEIVE ANY AND ALL SERVICES TO WORK A RECOVERY PATHWAY IN OUR COMMUNITY.”***

Since January 2017, Favor-Western PA, has sought to put “faces” and “voices” to all people in need. Our passion is to reach every individual that suffers from substance use disorder (SUD) and/or alcohol use disorder (AUD) as well as their family, friends, co-workers and acquaintances. As SUD/AUD is a community disease, we believe there is hope for every person in the cycle of addiction. Also, we believe the first step to helping the millions of families that suffer from SUD/AUD is to chip away at stigma until no one bats an eye when someone stands up and says, “I have a substance use disorder and need help” or “I have a loved one that has alcohol use disorder and needs help” -- Lastly, we believe that providing community services empowers everyone to reach their dreams.

The healing can start as soon as a member is contacted, or someone walks through the doors at FAVOR-Western PA. We have created a community of people from all walks of life; each has their own story. The shared stories resonate within the group and bonds are formed for life. We are governed under a board of directors and its members. We are peer driven by those who are in recovery from substance or alcohol use disorders, their families, friends and allies.

We walk beside members helping them find their path to recovery. We understand everyone’s path is different, and why we have a multi-pathway approach to recovery. After a time, we come to respect the friendships that have developed from these devastating diseases.

**VOLUNTEERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME:  
EVERYDAY WE STRUGGLE TO KEEP UP WITH OUR CENTER’S NEEDS.  
IF YOU CAN HELP WHETHER IT IS IN YOUR TIME, WORDS OR FUNDS, WE THANK YOU.**

**Synod of the Trinity PW Mission Project 2026**

**Mulanje Mission College of Nursing and Midwifery (MMCNM), a member of the Christian Health Association of Malawi (CHAM), is owned by the Church of Central African Presbyterian (CCAP), Blantyre Synod. It was established in 1930 by Scottish Missionarie**



***Our one time giving will provide the resources needed to purchase critical equipment for the current skills laboratory to ensure proper training. It allows students to gain hands - on experience in a simulated clinical environment.***

The skills laboratory is a replica of the hospital where skills demonstration takes place, and students take time to perfect their nursing and midwifery skills before they are allocated to the hospitals.

The current skills laboratory equipment required by standards includes mannequins that students would use for various skills practice, such as wound dressing, bed bathing, feeding, cannulation, oxygenation, resuscitation, a pregnant mannequin for antenatal, labor delivery, and postpartum skills. A mannequin for neonatal care is also available.

Mortality rates in Sub - Saharan Africa are recently estimated at Maternal Mortality Ratio (MMR) of 381 per 100,000 live births. The most common causes of these maternal deaths are preventable and are attributed to inequalities in access to quality health services. According to the World Bank report (2022), 82.02% of people in Malawi live in rural areas where access to quality health care is a challenge.

**<https://mbf.org/ccap-mulanje-college-of-health-sciences/>**

All local Redstone PW's are encouraged to support this very worthy mission project. Help us to make a generous donation to this organization this fall.

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PW Synod's collection deadline for Mission Projects is **December 1, 2026**. **Redstone PW will request that you bring your donation to the Fall Gathering on Nov.7, 2026 at West Newton UPC** or mail it to Sue Blank, Treasurer, 4068 Bushy Run Rd., Jeannette, PA 15644. Make **checks payable to Redstone PW**, write Synod Mission on memo line.

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## **Churchwide PW Mission Opportunities**

Mission opportunities recommended by **Churchwide PW** are listed on the **Together in Service** page of the **presbyterianwomen.org** website. For more information, contact PW's mission associate, Cheri Harper, at [cheri.harper@pcusa.org](mailto:cheri.harper@pcusa.org). Below are other organizations you may consider.

### **Agricultural Missions**

is an independent ecumenical organization that has been in existence since 1934. AMI was formed for the specific purposes of supporting rural peoples in their struggles to achieve justice, better lives and communities, and to educate its North American constituency and general public on issues of importance to the rural peoples in the United States and other countries.

### **Bread for the World**

A nationwide Christian movement that seeks justice for the world's hungry people by lobbying our nation's decision makers.

### **CARE**

CARE is a leading humanitarian organization dedicated to fighting global poverty, saving lives, and achieving social justice. Their community-based efforts empower women, improve basic education, prevent the spread of disease, increase access to clean water, expand economic opportunity and protect natural resources.

### **Children's Defense Fund**

A nonprofit organization that advocates for children's rights, including education, health care, economic security and other social justice issues.

### **Church Women United**

A Christian women's movement that celebrates unity in diversity and works for a world of justice and peace, particularly through World Day of Prayer.

### **Church World Service**

CWS is a cooperative ministry of Protestant, Orthodox and Anglican denominations providing sustainable self-help and development, disaster relief and refugee assistance in more than 80 countries.

### **Days for Girls International**

Days for Girls believes every girl in the world deserves education, safety and dignity. They work toward this goal by helping girls who would otherwise go without to have access to quality sustainable feminine hygiene.

### **ECPAT-USA**

ECPAT-USA works to protect every child's basic human right to grow up free from the threat of sexual exploitation and trafficking through lobbying federal and state legislators and corporate boards; educating first responders and ordinary citizens; and empowering youth to take the lead against human trafficking through education and knowledge.

### **Fellowship of the Least Coin, A Program of the Asian Women's Church Conference**

Fellowship of the Least Coin is a global, ecumenical prayer movement. Founded on the belief that prayer unites a worldwide family of faith, women from around the world pray for peace and reconciliation and set aside the least coin of their country as a symbol of that prayer.

### **Habitat for Humanity**

Habitat for Humanity International is dedicated to eliminating substandard housing and homelessness worldwide. Through volunteer labor and donations of money and materials, Habitat builds and rehabilitates houses in partnership with homeowner families.

### **Heifer International**

Heifer is an international organization that works with communities to end hunger and poverty and to care for the earth.

### **IMA World Health**

IMA World Health provides essential health care services and supplies to vulnerable and marginalized people the world over.

### **Knitting4Peace**

Knitting4Peace is a grassroots organization whose members knit, crochet and weave as a visible sign of the real work of the organization: knitting together the global community. As participants create, they pray for each other, for the recipients of the items and for hope, healing and peace.

### **Little Dresses for Africa**

Little Dresses for Africa is a nonprofit, non-denominational Christian organization originally formed to send messages of hope and worth to girls in Africa, in the form of simple dresses made out of pillowcases. The program has expanded to other continents and now includes boys' shorts, school scholarships, meals, and support at several locations.

### **ONE Campaign**

ONE is a campaigning and advocacy organization of more than seven million people around the world taking action to end extreme poverty and preventable disease, particularly in Africa. ONE believes that the fight against poverty isn't about charity, but about justice and equality.

### **SERRV**

SERRV is a nonprofit, fair trade organization dedicated to lifting disadvantaged artisans, farmers and their families out of poverty. SERRV sells unique, handcrafted product collections from their 55 small-scale artisan/farmer organizations and cooperatives. In addition to fair wages, SERRV's partners receive training to help grow sustainable businesses.

### **Ten Thousand Villages**

Ten Thousand Villages markets handicrafts created in underdeveloped countries, thus providing a vital and fair income to the artisans. In addition to organizing shops and fairs, this organization tells the stories of the women and men whose lives are improved through these sales.

### **World Day of Prayer USA**

World Day of Prayer is a worldwide, ecumenical movement of Christian women who come together to observe a common day of prayer each year. Offerings collected during interfaith services benefit women and children around the world.

**To ask a question or to learn more about PW Affiliations, contact Susan Jackson Dowd at [susan.jackson-dowd@pcusa.org](mailto:susan.jackson-dowd@pcusa.org) or 844-797-2872 ext. 5368**