



The Apron Strings

News from M.O.M.S.

February 2023



Increase in Families Served

M.O.M.S. has started out the new year with a huge increase in the number of families we serve. With the rising costs of food, utilities and gasoline, many families who were just making it are not able to put food on their tables. In January we added 10 new families, and we are already at 8 new families for February. Many of these are families with young children. Thank you so much for continuing to support our mission to feed so many local families. May God bless you!



Some of our lovely "Personal Shoppers" who help our families shop for their food.



Collinsville Police Food Donation

The Collinsville Police Department spearheaded a food drive for M.O.M.S. in December. Citizens were able to pay off fines by donating canned food. There were over 2,000 cans donated!

M.O.M.S. shared some of this bounty with Dividing Bread Ministries in Collinsville. The rest was stocked by a great group of volunteers who knocked it out in less than two hours. Since corn and green beans seemed to comprise a large portion of this donation, we are allowing our families to take extra this month. What a blessing!



Birthday Cake Kits

One of the ways M.O.M.S. helps families feel hope is by presenting birthday cake kits for family members who are celebrating birthdays each month. These kits generally consist of a cake mix, icing, sprinkles, candles and a card all placed in a gift bag. Sometimes, balloons, party plates and/or napkins and banners are added. We count on our community groups to put together these cake kits. You have no idea how much these families appreciate being able to celebrate birthdays! One mother cried when she received a kit for her young son. She wasn't able to celebrate his birthday, but the cake kit gave her the chance to at least have a cake with candles for him. If you would like to participate in this hope-boosting project, contact David at 918-935-8617.

The Difference A Year Makes

February 2022 and February 2023

	Families	Children	Adults	Seniors	Veterans	Pounds of Food
2022	25	11	19	32	3	1276.45
2023	57	30	63	76	10	3392.34

Thank you so much for your continued support of Mission on Main Street. YOU are why we are able to feed so many hungry families and serve them a big helping of HOPE!