

## **Family Foundation 2025 \$40,000 Matching Grant = \$80,000 in Poverty Relief**

This past week we were able to provide the final assistance made possible by the Family Foundation 2025 \$40,000 Matching Grant. Thanks to the Family Foundation and your matching donations we were able to provide the following assistance:

### **RENT/SHELTER = \$27,842.33**

Thanks to the Family Foundation 2025 \$40,000 Matching Grant and all of “You”, we provided shelter for 33 people throughout our communities. Several families with children and senior citizens were saved from homelessness by providing necessary security deposits and first month’s rent. Mortgage payments were made for two working poor families struggling to make payments due to debilitating illness. Your donations, matched by the Family Foundation 2025 \$40,000 Matching Grant, made safe shelter a reality, removing the stress of eviction and foreclosure for many.

### **UTILITIES = \$8,777.41 = Electric: \$4,927.41, Gas: \$3,850.00**

The Family Foundation 2025 \$40,000 Matching Grant allowed us to provide utility assistance to five single mothers and their children and one disabled grandmother raising her grandson. Thanks to your donations they will no longer be worrying about their upcoming utility disconnections in April.

### **FOOD = \$5,303.99**

Thanks to the Family Foundation 2025 \$40,000 donors and all of you we have been able to provide supplemental food for 25 people in our communities. Hunger continues to be a problem we encounter almost daily. Our hunger relief efforts continue to be essential to end the toll that a lack of funds for food creates in our society. We are grateful for our part in alleviating hunger, thanks to your support.

### **TRANSPORTATION = \$20,429.87**

Desperately needed transportation was provided by repairing four cars and purchasing two cars. Two single mothers now can get to work safely thanks to the used cars we provided. Unaffordable car repairs that often cause job loss, and a lack of medical care, have been greatly appreciated. Gas gift cards were also appreciated by 12 people struggling to afford their commute to jobs and medical care. Thanks to the Family Foundation 2025 \$40,000 Matching Grant, and your matching donations, reliable transportation has been a blessing in our communities.

### **BEDS = \$5,134.00**

Thanks to the Family Foundation 2025 \$40,000 Matching Grant and your matching donations, new beds were purchased for the elderly, the handicapped and children. We provided new beds for three disabled senior citizens living in a low-income housing apartment building. A previously homeless single mother was provided with new beds for her four children, including two toddler beds. Another homeless senior couple was provided with a new bed when they moved into stable housing. All of these people would have been sleeping on floors or couches if we had not been there to provide the blessing of new beds.

**HOUSEHOLD NECESSITIES = \$1,469.46**

Your donations, matched by the Family Foundation 2025 \$40,000 Matching Grant, provided sheets, blankets, towels, cleaning supplies, and many other household necessities. We also provided gift cards for these items to several working poor families, disabled individuals, and single mothers with children. For many people, it is a choice between food, rent or household necessities. We have made it possible for these people to purchase necessary household items to allow sanitary and comfortable living conditions.

**TOILETRIES = \$1,109.20**

Many of our clients live without essential personal care items, including soap, shampoo, toothpaste, toothbrushes, baby wipes, diapers, feminine hygiene, and many other products. Thanks to The Family Foundation 2025 \$40,000 Matching Grant and your matching donations the discomfort and insecurity that a lack of toiletries causes has been relieved for many of our fellow creations. Access to toiletries has been shown to alleviate future costs of dental care, provide good health, and prevent job loss caused by a lack of personal hygiene.

**APPLIANCES: \$2,409.31**

Two poverty stricken elderly women have been provided with new washing machines and dryers. Both women are in their 80's and still caring for disabled family members. These washing machines and dryers have improved their lives greatly. No longer are they stressed to obtain transportation to laundromats, and they are saved that expense as well. Thank you to the Family Foundation 2025 \$40,000 Matching Grant, and your matching donations, that provided the gift of these appliances.

**HOME REPAIRS: \$7,524.43**

Both of the poverty-stricken elderly women that received appliances also had much needed home repairs. One of the women is caring for her mentally disabled son in his 60's and was living without running water for a very long time. We provided the repair needed to restore running water, replaced her toilet and kitchen sink. The other elderly woman, who is caring for her adult daughter with severe medical disabilities, needed a new water heater as they were living without hot water. That was provided thanks to this matching grant. Another woman caring for her grandson was provided with a new furnace when we found she was living without heat in February. This was a lifesaving repair during the coldest time of the year.

**GRAND TOTAL: \$80,000.00**

Thank you and God Bless you for making the Family Foundation 2025 \$40,000 Matching Grant a success.

*Health & Happiness, Love & GOD Bless Everyone, Sal*

**Please Help:** There are many coming to us in desperation. Our good fellow creations need our compassion. Together we make a big difference. Make checks payable to: The

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**Memorials:** Beth Pizzo in memory of Joel A. Pizzo. Susan Schlick in memory of Shirley Hurdis.

**Prayer Chain:** The power of prayer and positive thoughts comes from the true healer, our Lord answering our prayers. Please pray for healing for the following people: Bill, Brian, Mike, Sylvia, Megan, Kayla, Maria C., Judy, Scott, Annie, Marilyn, Brandon, Helen, Dennis, Mary, Joseph, Jordan, Jean, Tom L., Dr. Peter, Matthew, Pam E., Jenene B., John S., Patricia H., Wendy, Eric, Anthony, Mary, Charlie, Tom P., Christina, Billy, Mike, Cheryl, Bryan E., Betty, Ellie, Concetta, Cheryl, Kirubel M., Wanda L., Joan, Bruce and Andy.

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