

FCC 2020 BENEVOLENCE AND MISSIONS GIVING GUIDE

Guiding Principles in 2020 selection: 1) non-profits targeted at all levels of need – local, national and international; 2) priority to Christ-centered organizations/efforts that address the full spectrum of human needs – physical, mental, emotional, and spiritual; 3) At least 15% of the committee budget will be reserved to support disaster relief in the world. **TOTAL BUDGET** (including income for Mask and SA Christmas projects above budget allocated by the church at beginning of the year): **\$ 24,765.**

Supporting Our Nearest Neighbors:

| NAME OF ORGANIZATION | DESCRIPTION OF WORK | AMOUNT GIVEN | ADDITIONAL NOTES |
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| Emergency Food Box (local) (provide food for Iowa children, families, and seniors to lead full and active lives, strengthening the communities where they live) | The Emergency Food Box is the result of a group of community volunteers and a decision made by the Churches United for Compassionate Concerns here in Marshalltown in 1982. They serve all of Marshall County. Food staples and some perishables are provided to income qualified recipients through volunteer distribution. | \$500 | Demand has been far greater than normal since COVID 19 has restricted many from gainful employment and since the derecho. |
| House of Compassion – Supply Closet Drives (non-profit serving residents of Marshall Co. through a supply closet providing cleaning supplies, personal hygiene products and OTC meds) | <i>HOC Supply Closet</i> supplies qualifying low-income families with basic toiletries, cleaning supplies, and over the counter medications. Items available for families are key supplies for hygiene and health that are not covered by food stamps. | \$0 This project is a drive for donated goods | Occurs annually at FCC in March. Donations were down some compared to previous years. This may have been in part because of COVID19 fears in shopping and delivering to the church |
| Iowa Habitat for Humanity | Donation earmarked for 2020 derecho relief and restoration in Iowa. Even as this organization continued work in response to the 2018 tornado, the IA Habitat for Humanity Mobile Team committed immediate clean up response in Marshalltown for at least a 2-week period and then spent at least 2 months in the Cedar Rapids and surrounding area. | \$1500 | . |
| M-town Christian School (not for profit non-denominational school, K-8) | Financial support provided by FCC was undesignated to allow flexibility for administrators and teachers under challenges additional expenses in student teaching and safety presented by COVID. | \$5,000 | Plan to continue support next year; level dependent on total budget allocated by the church to Ben. & Miss |
| COVID Mask Project (volunteers followed guidelines for making masks safe for non-direct hospital staff and hospital and in the public) | A group of church volunteers financed and procured materials for, produced and delivered more than 600 masks to UnityPoint Health –Marshalltown, between March 20 –May31, 2020. Over 200 more were distributed many to nursing homes, including the Veterans Home, and over 200 were delivered to FCC members. | \$632.13 | Volunteers discontinued this work in Fall of 2020 when masks became readily available in hospitals and the public. |
| Meals on Wheels (delivers the noon meal 365 days/yr to qualified residents) | FCC Benevolence and Mission Committee arranges for and coordinates volunteers to deliver MOW to the South Marshalltown route on the 4 th Saturday of every month | \$0 Volunteer time is the only thing given. | Expanding FCC volunteers involved will be important again next year. |
| Pastor’s Discretionary Fund (emergency funds for congregants & community) | When members of the congregation or of our community come to FCC for emergency financial assistance, the committee wanted funds to be available at the Pastor’s discretions for speedy disbursement. Church Treasurer and Pastor Dan set up special account to manage these funds. | \$1467.87 | Pastor provides regular reports to Ben & Miss Comm re: income and disbursements: names of recipients’ confidential. |

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| Salvation Army (Local Chapter) | <p>The local chapter maintains an important evangelical outreach. Church, Christian Education and many social supports are provided to many needy members of our community. Support was given in three ways to our local Chapter:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General Fund Support Following Derecho • Sal's Pantry Donation • Christmas Toy Town Project | <p>TOTAL \$3973.94</p> <p>\$2,165 \$500 \$1308.94</p> | <p>Programs of this organization meet all the criteria of our giving guidelines.</p> |
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(See reverse side for national and international recipients)
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GUIDE Supporting Our National and International Neighbors:

| NAME OF ORGANIZATION | DESCRIPTION OF WORK & WHY WE CHOSE GIVE | AMOUNT GIVEN | NOTES |
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| Mission Monterrey c/o The Mission Society (international mission serving children and families spiritually and physically in Monterrey, MX area) | Serves at risk children and families in impoverished areas providing weekly meals and bible school to children, plus pastoral training and new church planting support. Leadership has been plagued by health problems, but Viña del Rey Church continues this work. | \$3000 General support. | Will need to get more regular reports demonstrating delineating use of funds in order for FCC to be good stewards. |
| MKM – “My Kinsmen Ministries” (international mission that seeks to physically, spiritually and intellectually empower the disadvantaged in Sierra Leone, Africa, to rise above their circumstances) | Christian organization spear-headed by Mark and Karen Boland of Marshalltown, IA. Equips people of Sierra Leone w/ educational, micro-financial, spiritual and physical tools needed to cultivate independence in life and to minister to their countrymen. Three major focus areas now: individual development through vocational training and micro financing of cottage industry; community development through agricultural training and development, plus pastoral training and church planting. Medical mission support has been added to their work. Bolands provide excellent communication regarding this growing mission in deeply Muslim territory. | \$5000 General support. | Opportunities for FCC hands-on support would be a great objective to pursue, if FCC is willing at some point when COVID does not restrict travel. Currently our only physical support is letter writing. |
| Samaritan’s Purse – National Disasters Responses | Nondenominational evangelical Christian organization providing spiritual and physical aid to help meet needs of people who are victims of war, poverty, natural disasters, disease, and famine with the purpose of sharing God’s love through His Son, Jesus Christ. FCC support was given to help in relief efforts across the nation following fires in the West, tornadoes and hurricanes and floods in the South and East U.S. Among the valuable they services provided is mobile medical triage and treatment facilities. | \$3000 | Programs of this organization meet all the criteria of our giving guidelines. |
| Seafarer’s Friend (150 yr. old mission based in Boston Harbor to meet the unmet spiritual, social and practical needs of seafarers from around the world who harbor in Boston) | Mission workers from a coalition of Christian denominations (including Congregational) provide hospitality; advocacy for seafarers and their families and communities to address hygiene, health and safety issues where they work and live; pastoral care and supportive Christian literature including the Bible are provided to international workers during their stay in Boston Harbor. | \$500 | FCC has given to this NACCC National Mission Partner in years past. The committee felt called to respond to at least one rec. of our national association. |

TOTAL: \$24,573.94

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