



Hands Extended Loving People (HELP) 2014 ANNUAL REPORT



Matthew 25:40 (NIV)

“The King will reply, ‘Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.’”

Board of Directors



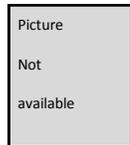
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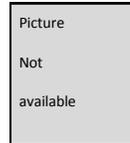
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Hands Extended Loving People (HELP) is a 501 (c) (3) non-profit ministry. Donations and contributions are tax-deductible within the limits of the law. Contributions can be made out and mailed to:

HELP Ministry

P.O. Box 97

Ludington, MI 49431

A Message From The President

Philemon 1:7 (NIV)

Your love has given me great joy and encouragement, because you, brother, have refreshed the hearts of the Lord's people.



In his letter to Philemon, Paul expresses the joy and encouragement that Philemon's ministry has brought to Paul. The love that Philemon demonstrated was "refreshing to the hearts of the Lord's people," Paul stated.

I can appreciate Paul's sentiment in his writings to men like Philemon and others that were an encouragement to him. I also receive joy and encouragement when I hear of HELP volunteers that, in their love of Christ, have demonstrated great compassion for people in need. HELP has received numerous cards of thanks, in which clients have expressed appreciation for the non-judgmental and compassionate treatment they received from HELP volunteers. It is not uncommon to hear clients comment that it was nice just to have someone listen to them.

What a pleasure it is to be a part of an organization that is staffed by loving, caring and active Christians, willingly giving of their time, talents and resources to assist others in need. Inside this Annual Report you will find examples of people who have been generous in love and overflowing in compassion, all in the name of the One Who gave His all for us.

Mission Statement

To compassionately provide the basic goods and resources needed by the economically disadvantaged, such that their sense of dignity and worth is restored and maintained.

Purpose Statement

To demonstrate God's love for humankind through acts of kindness and mercy, as God provides the opportunities and means.

Vision Statement

The vision of HELP is a vision of committed Christians coming together in a spirit of unity, sharing their gifts, talents and resources, to bring comfort and aid to those in need of help and hope. It is a vision in which denominational differences are set aside, in order to demonstrate God's love for all people. Through cooperation with existing agencies, ministries and churches, duplication of efforts and resources will be minimized.

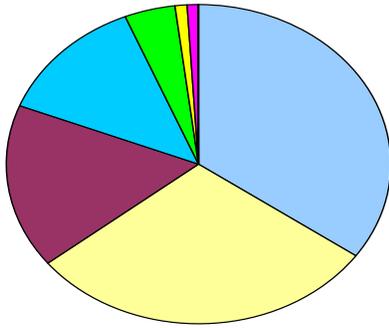
The vision of HELP is also a vision of unbelievers, so moved by the compassion shown them, that they seek a relationship with the One who inspired the acts of mercy, Jesus Christ.

H. E. L. P.
Balance Sheet
As of December 31, 2014

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ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
Checking-West Shore Bank	15,858.96
Checking-WSB-Restricted Funds	7,505.32
Checking-WSB-His Friends	821.62
Money Market Acct-WSB	96,645.06
Total Checking/Savings	<u>120,830.96</u>
Other Current Assets	
A/R-Gene McClellan	839.11
Drivers' Gas Cards	200.00
Inventory-Donated Autos/Boats	3,750.00
Inventory-Donated Household	13,689.50
Inventory-Purchased Household	474.04
Total Other Current Assets	<u>18,952.65</u>
Total Current Assets	<u>139,783.61</u>
Fixed Assets	
Equipment	13,362.73
Delivery Van	25,987.00
Land and Building	108,323.95
Accumulated Depreciation	-40,542.86
Total Fixed Assets	<u>107,130.82</u>
Other Assets	
Security Deposit-Verizon	257.32
Total Other Assets	<u>257.32</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u><u>247,171.75</u></u>
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Credit Cards	
West Shore Bank C/C	318.03
Walmart C/C	2,563.07
Total Credit Cards	<u>2,881.10</u>
Other Current Liabilities	
Payroll Liabilities	2,716.14
Total Other Current Liabilities	<u>2,716.14</u>
Total Current Liabilities	<u>5,597.24</u>
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Equity	
Retained Earnings	210,922.51
Net Income	30,652.00
Total Equity	<u>241,574.51</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	<u><u>247,171.75</u></u>

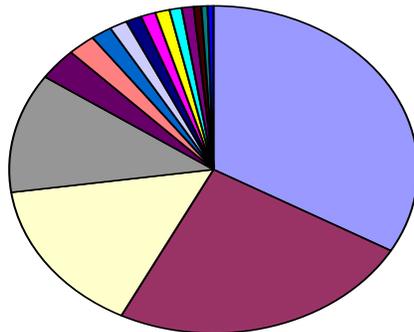
2014 INCOME SOURCES



- FUND RAISERS
- FOUNDATION GRANTS
- INDIVIDUAL
- CHURCH
- CORPORATE
- COA MILAGE
- OTHER
- INTEREST
- SAVINGS



2014 MAJOR EXPENSES (Greater than \$1,000)



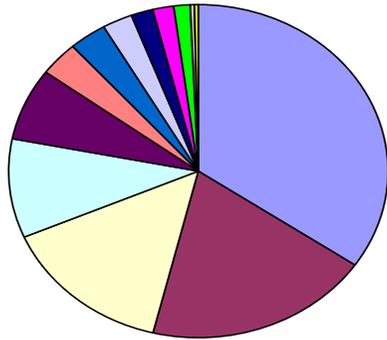
- PROG SERV - DONATED ITEMS
- PROG SERVICES - CASH
- PROG SERVICES - GRANTS
- DIRECTOR SALARY
- DEPRECIATION
- FUND RAISING
- OFFICE EXPENSES
- TELEPHONE
- INSURANCE
- POSTAGE
- DISPOSAL FEES
- DELIVERY TRUCK FUEL
- PAYROLL TAXES
- UTILITIES - Electric
- UTILITIES - Gas
- SNOW PLOWING



82%
of donated funds were used
for program services

2014 In Review

MAJOR SERVICES REQUESTED 2014



- FURNITURE
- APPLIANCES
- HOUSEHOLD GOODS
- TRANSPORTATION
- UTILITY BILLS
- RENT/MORTGAGE
- GAS CARD
- MISCELLANEOUS
- MEDICAL BILLS
- HOME REPAIRS
- CAR REPAIR
- INSURANCE
- YARD MAINTENANCE



Some of the items provided were:

TV	68
Dryer	49
Microwave	40
Wash Machine	35
Refrigerator	56
Stove	53
Bed	588
Couch/Love Seat	205
EZ Chairs/Recliners	169
Table & Chairs	82
Dresser	166
End Tables/Night Stands	153
Bedding (sets)	721
Blankets/Towels	302
Pots & Pans (sets)	83
Dish sets	69
Lamps	107
Silverware (sets)	58
Pillows	79

2929 New Requests in 2014
 1894 Requests completed
 7,593 + Volunteer hours
 23,783 + Volunteer miles
 16,528 + Miles volunteers have
 driven taking clients to medical
 appointments



"I want to thank you again for my wonderful donation you gave me. It is so nice of you to help our needy people in our community. As far as any improvements, I know of none. You are great and I appreciate all you have done for me." Patti



2014 In Review Continued



"We must allow God to shine through us all, and I believe giving shows His light. Next month I will be sending a donation in hope that God will work through you and help someone else. The gentlemen that delivered were very kind and polite. I am very grateful for their help." Michelle

Churches that supported HELP in 2014

Bachelor Evangelical Covenant

Bethany Lutheran

Community Church

Cornerstone Baptist

Emmanuel Lutheran

Epworth Church Association

Grace Episcopal

Greater Life Church

Lakeview Church of the Brethren

Life Change

Ludington United Methodist

Mason County Reformed

Path of Life Ministries

Prayer & Praise Assembly of God

Radiant Church

Scottville Church of Christ

Scottville United Methodist

St. John's Lutheran

St. Paul United Methodist

St. Simon's Catholic Community

Sugar Ridge Church of the Brethren

Trinity Evangelical Free

Victory Baptist

Church Women United & United Methodist Women



HELP Introduction

HELP began in 1998 as a faith-based non-profit organization that sought to fill the gap in human services, doing what other service organizations could not do. HELP works in collaboration with those organizations to avoid duplication of services.

Over the years the services of HELP have grown. HELP provides furniture, appliances and household goods as part of its routine ministry. Rent, utilities and some medical bills (prescriptions, glasses, dental work) are covered as resources allow. Minor home repairs and handicap access projects are also accomplished when funding permits. HELP volunteers also provide transportation to medical appointments.

The volunteers of HELP are its most important asset. HELP began with two volunteers in 1998, and currently is blessed with 62 regular volunteers. It is not unusual for the volunteer staffing to exceed 100 individuals in support of fund-raising events.

In 2008 HELP entered into a capital campaign to raise funds to purchase a building of its own. Right after the Board approved the campaign, the recession hit! God didn't flinch at the recession though. Through compassionate people, God provided the funds to buy a building debt-free—in five months!

When the need for a new delivery truck arose in 2011, another capital campaign was entered into. In three months the funds were raised to purchase a delivery truck—again debt-free!

Donations have been important to HELP also. As the reputation of HELP has grown, so have the donations—both physical and financial. HELP has truly been blessed by the community!

