# Valley Interfaith Food & Clothing Center



## 2012

#### Dear Friends;

It is my honor to present the VIFCC Annual Report for 2012 to the extraordinary individuals, organizations, businesses, and foundations who generously support our mission. You are crucial to our success and our mission would not be possible without you.

The past few years have been challenging financially and 2012 was no different. We planned to cut our \$31,000 loss in 2011 in half in 2012 and eliminate it in 2013. Although we missed our 2012 goal by \$4,000, we are still committed to a breakeven in 2013. We will maintain our current level of services in 2013, despite an anticipated client increase of 9%

Once again, our Special Programs continue to grow. The 5K Walk brought in a profit of almost \$8,000. The Back-2-School program was sponsored by the Dater Foundation (\$18,000), Wyoming JWC (\$1,000), and Frame USA (\$1,400), which helped 1112 school age children with a new or gently used school uniform, a new back-pack filled with school supplies and a gift card to Payless for a new pair of shoes. The Christmas program set new records due to the help from our Sponsoring Faith Communities, the generosity of local businesses and individuals, and the "Fill the Truck" sponsored by Frame USA and partnering with Spring Valley Bank.

We at Valley Interfaith look forward to "Helping our Neighbors in Need" today and in the future.

Blessings,

Barbara D Campbell

Executive Director

#### **Board of Directors**

President — Brook Gilliam Treasurer/Vice President—Gordon Dennis Facilities Manager — Chuck Kellner Pantry Manager — Bill O'Bryan Publicity — Carrie Short-Lippert Client Services — Tammy Brown Fundraising — Becky Regenold VIFCC has been dedicated to providing food, clothing, and emergency financial assistance to our neighbors in need since 1963. Each month our clients may receive one complete clothing outfit for each family member and choose food from our Choice Pantry to provide three days of meals. The amount they receive from our Pantry is based on the number of people in their household. Emergency Financial Assistance is limited to once annually, usually to forestall utility disconnection or eviction. We also provide funds for emergency medical prescriptions and bus tokens to keep job interview appointments. In 2012 we served over 24,000 individuals and that number continues to grow. VIFCC has grown from a single church basement operation to today's inclusive 501(c)(3) agency, sponsored by 30 local faith communities. We are a helping hand for those most in need among us. VIFCC assists clients in 13 area communities and is the official food agency of the FreeStore/FoodBank for these communities. We help an average of 40 families each day. Most of our clients need food (86%), about half (68%) need clothing and 21% need emergency financial help.



#### **MISSION STATEMENT**

We assist our neighbors in need with food, clothing, emergency financial assistance, and other necessary services.

#### **VISION STATEMENT**

We link willing and able clients with resources which will help them break their cycle of dependency, and provide them with a new beginning.

### **CORE VALUES**

To provide an environment that openly welcomes, respects, and dignifies all persons. To display an active commitment of compassion and responsive engagement with our clients.

### **Statement of Income**

Revenues	2012	<u>2011</u>	<u>% Change</u>
Faith Communities	59681	58564	1.9%
Individuals	109440	108197	1.1%
Organizations	33905	28003	21.1%
Grants	30345	28250	7.4%
Fund Raisers	10591	8562	23.7%
Interest	418	918	-54.5%
Sale of Clothing	8752	8539	2.5%
In Kind Donations	<u>1521000</u>	<u>1464000</u>	3.9%
Total Revenues	1774132	1705033	4.1%
Expenses			
Client Services	109769	108524	1.1%
Administration	70940	71624	-0.1%
Fund Raising	35146	35527	-1.1%
Occupancy	50333	52932	-4.9%
Capital Equipment	6479	3528	83.6%
In Kind Donations	<u>1521000</u>	1464000	3.9%
Total Expenses	1793667	1736135	3.3%
Net Income	-19535	-31102	

### **Statement of Financial Position**

Assets	<u>2012</u>	<u>2011</u>
Cash	200	200
WesBanco	94325	81208
Spring Valley Bank	<u>39312</u>	<u>78940</u>
Total Assets	133837	160348
Liabilities & Equity		
Equity	347316	347316
Retained Earnings	-193944	-162842
Income	-19535	-31102
Expansion Reserve	<u>0</u>	<u>6976</u>
Total Liabilities & Equity	133837	160348

### **Clients Served**

	<u>2012</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>Change</u>	Percent
Households	8832	8336	496	6.0%
Individuals				
Seniors (60+)	1961	1737	224	12.9%
Children	9161	8094	1067	13.2%
Adults (18—59)	13595	12801	794	6.2%
Total Individuals	24717	22632	2085	9.2%

### **Clients Stories**

#### Clients whose lives have been touched by Valley Interfaith

~ Over a year ago, I was homeless. I was staying with different friends and family members. While I was living with my youngest sister, I discovered that her boyfriend was beating her because I was there, so she and I started sleeping in her car. I was cold and hungry, so we stopped into Valley Interfaith, even though we didn't know what they did there or if they could even help me. That's when I met Ms. Barbara! I was in tears and explained to her what I was going through. I asked her for gas money so I could get to a women's shelter. She was so touched by my story that she broke the rules and gave all the money she had in her wallet, which came to \$9. That \$9 gave me my life back! With that \$9, I was able to get into a homeless shelter downtown and receive a Certificate of Homelessness. I needed this certificate to apply for government housing assistance, which I got a month later. I now have an apartment in Lockland and I'm a full time student at Brown Mackie College. I am studying Audio-Video Production. It's a wonderful thing to be able to take a bath and read my bible anytime I want. I can cook and stay warm. God puts good people in your life if you ask, just like he put Valley Interfaith & Ms. Barbara in mine.

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 $\sim$  My oldest daughter decided she couldn't be a mom to her seven children anymore so she left. I am now caring for my four children and seven grandchildren. It has been a long journey and it is so hard sometimes, but we have been blessed to have people from Valley Interfaith to help us when I didn't know how I was going to handle the burden placed upon me. They gave me hope and it is wonderful to know that there are people that really care about others. Thank you for letting us sleep comfortable at night and being able to sit at a dining room table as a family, but most of all, for restoring the ability to smile again. It is by the grace of God and our faith knowing that we are going

### **Back-2-School Program**

Valley's Back-2-School program served **1112 underprivileged children** in August of 2012, a record number! The children received backpacks filled with supplies, a \$15 Payless gift card for shoes, and gently used school clothes or uniforms. In other words, they received everything a child needs to get a successful



start for school no matter what their socio-economic status. In addition to building the children's self-esteem, supplying these essentials also takes a huge burden off of the parents and guardians. This unique program was made possible by a grant from the Dater Foundation, the Wyoming JWC, Frame USA, and by over 30 multi-generational volunteers.

### **Christmas Program**

The Holidays are a special time at Valley Interfaith Food and Clothing Center! Each Christmas season we strive to provide toy and clothing gifts, as well as a holiday food basket, to over 275 families AND another 100 holiday food baskets to clients without children. In 2012 we were able to



make the holidays brighter for **over 300 families, including more than 900 children,** through the three facets of our Christmas Sharing Program.

We could not brighten the holidays for these families without the generous help of our sponsoring congregations and community groups who provide the toy and clothing gifts

for children, \$15 Target gift cards for teens, and non-perishable food items, as well as countless individuals who give generously of their time and money. The gifts and food baskets are distributed in mid December to needy families who have applied for our Christmas Sharing program, and



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