

In As Much
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“And the King shall answer and say unto them, verily I say unto you, inasmuch as ye have done it unto the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me” (Matthew 25:40). In 1973 a church secretary shared her lunch with a stranger who was hungry and a ministry was born. InAsMuch Ministry currently provides food, clothing, Citilink bus tickets, financial assistance, and spiritual guidance to the needy of our community. Volunteers make up *all* the support staff and caseworkers for the ministry. Since 2005, Blackhawk is one of the 21 churches to comprise the InAsMuch family. Our commitment is to share in this ministry through prayer, financial and volunteer support. The mission of this ministry is to **“Help people in need; offer hope through Jesus Christ; and promote personal responsibility.”** This is accomplished by:

- Sharing with clients the good news of Christ’s love and provision
- Helping clients with physical needs
- Teaching them how to be wise stewards of God’s gifts
- Introducing clients to the basic principles of Christian financial management which will assist them in learning to be financially responsible

Volunteers are needed on Monday’s, Wednesday’s, and Friday’s from 8:30-12:00 in the following areas:

- Host or hostess: greet clients, make coffee, set up the waiting room, sign-in clients
- Care for, share the gospel with and pray for clients
- Intake: assess clients’ needs (begin with following a seasoned caseworker)
- Update client files
- Distribute food, clothing, and bus passes
- Contact utility companies, landlords and township offices
- Manage the food and clothing pantry; pick up food/grocery shop
- Help organize fundraisers**
- Office administration
- Security
- Maintenance, custodial work; can also be done in the evenings (great small group activity).

**Because of the success of the InAsMuch Family of churches, an existing church facility is being renovated to better accommodate the climbing needs of the community.

The IAM Ministry will be moved to “The Edge” as soon as renovations are completed. Estimated costs for the project is \$396,000 with \$93,000 still needed to reach goal.

Anyone interested in becoming an InAsMuch volunteer is strongly encouraged to come spend a Monday, Wednesday, or Friday at InAsMuch. Here they can observe work in the office as well as to follow a volunteer caseworker and get a “taste” of the ministry!