



**“Changing Lives,
One Meal at a Time”**



Join Us:

Every Thursday Evening
Doors open at 5:15pm
Dinner is served at 6:30pm
First United Methodist Church
211 W. 3rd Street
Irving, TX 75060

Contact Us:

If you would like more information
about Many Helping Hands or if you
want to learn more about how you
can help, please contact us at:

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**A 501 (c)(3) organization
changing lives in Irving, TX.**

A Little Bit of History

The organization was established in fall 2012 when Hope Fellowship joined Good Shepherd Lutheran Church for a community event, Homeless Outreach Prayer Event (H.O.P.E.). During this event, the two churches provided Irving homeless with winter clothing, blankets, hygiene kits, food, fellowship and prayer. It was a huge success and the group wanted to expand and do more.



In June 2013, **Many Helping Hands** formed a partnership with Salvation Army and started the Thursday Night Feed, a weekly hot meal program serving an average of 25 people.

That was only 3 years ago, since that time **Many Helping Hands** has grown tremendously. We now feed over 100 homeless and needy people each week and are currently supported by 15+ different churches who alternate each week and provide a hot meal for those that are hungry and need help. Beyond providing a hot meal we also provide clothing, hygiene items, coats, blankets and other seasonal items. We keep an ongoing needs list for volunteers who provide items including sleeping bags, new work pants or shoes, coats, tennis shoes, etc. to our clients. We also provide hair cuts and hold a weekly Bible study and women's support group.

HOW CAN YOU HELP TODAY?



Every week almost 100 volunteers work together to meet special needs for our clients.

Weekly our clients sign up for special needs through our clothing closet. Items like shoes or clothes for a job interview or new job. Maybe a new coat in the winter, rain poncho or new sleeping bag or blanket if theirs is soiled by the weather. Everything is closely monitored to insured no one takes advantage of the system.

One way you can help is simply by getting your name on the email list. Each Friday, after our Thursday night gathering, a new Needs List is emailed out and those that can help do.

If you would like to be a Needs List Warrior or volunteer in another way with

Many Helping Hands, please contact:

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Looking Forward... Hope for the Future

The Need is Growing...

Each week we serve 100+ people on Thursday evening at First United Methodist Church in downtown Irving. Everything we do is portable and space is becoming tight.

The Future is Now...

Phase one would include leasing office space in or near downtown Irving where a large number of the homeless live.

This space would be a semi-permanent ministry location that would allow office space for both a case worker and other needs. The case worker would work to partner with other local, state and federal agencies to accomplish our ultimate goal, helping our clients off the streets.

In the Years to Come...

Phase two of our vision is to have a permanent Day Resource Center for the homeless and needy in our city. This permanent facility would include showers, laundry facilities, office and meeting space for case workers, counseling, support groups (AA, DAA, etc.) and would be open throughout the week.

**The Churches of Irving that support
Many Helping Hands each week
with volunteers and hot meals for our clients:
Ben Washington Baptist Church, CHRIST Church,
First Baptist Church, First General Baptist Church,
First United Methodist Church, Grace Pointe Church,
Fundamental Baptist Church, Heartland Family Church,
IBC, Northgate United Methodist Church, Hope Fellowship,
Plymouth Park Church of Christ, North Irving Baptist Church,
St. Marks Episcopal Church, Good Shepherd Lutheran Church,
Plymouth Park United Methodist Church,**

