



Humble Area Assistance Ministries

Annual Report 2011

*Providing our community
help and hope for a
better tomorrow.*



Humble Area Assistance Ministries (HAAM) is an interfaith organization united with others in the community to serve the basic needs of those in financial crisis and provide assistance leading to self-sufficiency.

our **COMMUNITY**

BELIEVES in neighbors **HELPING** neighbors



a little **HISTORY**

Humble Area Assistance Ministries was founded in 1990 as a food pantry by the faith community and civic leadership. The goal was to centralize resources and distribution to the growing number of homeless and hungry in the northeast Houston area and to increase efficiency and effectiveness.

HAAM has served northeast Harris and east Montgomery County for more than 20 years. Service zip codes are Atascocita, Humble, Kingwood, Porter, New Caney, Splendora, Huffman, and Crosby.

a **VISION**

- Basic needs of families in critical need will be met
- Clients will fulfill education requirements for employment
- Individuals will acquire skills for job searching to facilitate employment
- Families will learn to better manage household finances
- Clients will begin to attain self-sufficiency

a **MISSION**

Humble Area Assistance Ministries is an interfaith organization united with others in the community to serve the basic needs of those in financial crisis and provide assistance leading to self sufficiency.

HAAM makes **STRONG** families **HAPPEN**

a **GOAL**

Our goal is to effectively continue to serve those in financial crisis and provide a path for their economic independence. We hope to offer a centralized neighborhood location for resource distribution to the growing number of impoverished and lower income working families in northeast Harris County and east Montgomery County.

We provide educational services, including classes in English as a second language, adult literacy and skills classes. Our employment services include resume building, interview skills, job search assistance and apprenticeship programs.



A strong community can build strong families and because our community cares, HAAM is able to be there for our families with food assistance, help with basic needs, job services and career assistance. Good jobs with good pay brings financial stability and the possibility of a better tomorrow.

In 1989 my mother and father divorced and we moved to Texas to be closer to my grandmother while my mom figured out her next step. The fallout from the dissolution of her marriage was more than emotional since my father was of no help to us. My mother found herself living in a housing complex at 27 yrs old with no education, a 5 yr old little girl and in desperate need of help. Being in an unfamiliar state, finding resources for assistance was not always easy, so discovering the emergency help available to her at H.A.A.M. was a God send.

Humble Area Assistance Ministries assisted my mother a great deal while she worked toward building a new life for herself. I remember H.A.A.M. helping us with clothing, food and school supplies during our first years here. Over 20 yrs later, my mother has her Associates Degree in paralegal studies, she is re-married, living in her own home in a nice neighborhood, I have a little sister who is taking dual credit high school courses so that she can earn college credit and I personally am working on my second Bachelors degree at the University of Houston. Now, I am volunteering at H.A.A.M. in an effort to give back to the organization that helped us get it together after things fell apart. I will always be grateful to H.A.A.M. for the amazing work that they do, they really are sent from God. - TC



this years **FACTS**

Humble Area Assistance Ministries has touched the lives of many families and individuals and is making a difference in peoples lives around our community. We are focused on helping people rebuild their lives.

programs

Food and Clothing	Children's Nutrition	Holiday Food Baskets and Toys
Rent and Utility Assistance	Information and Referral	Legal Aid
Adult Literacy Classes	Eye Glass Vouchers	Project Mammogram
Employment Services	Prescription Medication	Case Management
Life Skills and Computer Classes	Back-To-School Supplies	Individual and Family Counseling

funding sources

In Kind - \$ 648,001.27	Resale Shops - \$ 902,921.39
Events - \$ 47,569.27	Grants - \$ 622,503.90
Church / Civic - \$ 104,725.87	Business - \$ 98,723.20
Individuals - \$ 126,429.86	Fee Income - \$ 64,528.00

accomplishments

\$2,213,057 Funds Distributed	7,387 People received Holiday Food Bags
66,368 People were served at HAAM	62% who enrolled in our self sufficiency programs obtained employment
633 New Families visited the Job Center	
42,757 Individuals fed through our Food Pantry	

about us

Client Services
1302 1st Street E.
Humble, TX 77338
281-446-3663
Monday - Thursday
10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Resale Store
1204 1st Street E.
Humble, TX 77338
281-446-0993
Monday - Saturday
10:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.
Sunday
12:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Black Cat Junction
Resale Boutique
22310 Loop 494
Kingwood, TX 77339
281-359-LOOP (5667)
Monday - Saturday
10:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.
Closed Sunday



Visit HAAM on FACEBOOK.
Find the link on our website
at: www.haaministries.org



at HAAM we **STAND UP** for **KIDS** education - nutrition - safety



Children are the future of our community and in 2011 HAAM laid the foundation for building stronger kids programs through education, nutrition and safety.

The Summer Reading Program, Kids helping Kids! A children's reading corner was established in our lobby area. While the families were assisted with financial help to maintain their current living arrangement, bills, prescription, job referrals, education or food, the children were read to by local student volunteers. Children also received a book to take home to promote reading with their parents.



36 FAMILIES BENEFITED FROM THE READING AND NUTRITION PROGRAMS

Supplemental Nutrition: HAAM was able to purchase extra nutritional food to help parents through the summer while the children were without free lunch at school. Families were provided peanut butter, meat, cheese, yogurt, apples, oranges, cereal and milk. As a part of this program, each family was educated on nutrition.

Healthy Nutrition Snack Packs: Healthy eating and snacking ideas were shared with children headed back to school. Packaged snacks included: Miniature Box Cereal, Raisins, Nuts, Granola Bars, Bottled Water, Package of Instant Oatmeal, Whole Grain Crackers, Animal Crackers and Pretzels. **OVER 800 CHILDREN RECEIVED SNACK PACKS**

Back to School Drive: HAAM hosted an annual Back-to-School program that provided school supplies to over 1,600 local children. HAAM teamed up with many local business partners to collect supplies for school-aged children. Our local supporters include churches, schools, clubs, businesses, civic organizations, and individuals who not only donate supplies, but assist in the sorting, bagging and distributing of the supplies. **1,604 LOCAL STUDENTS STARTED SCHOOL WITH SCHOOL SUPPLIES**

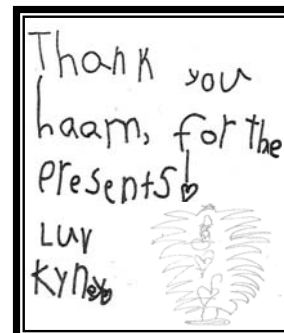


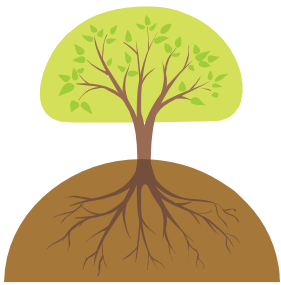
Children's Farmers Market: A first for HAAM, a simulation of a farmers market was held in the fall for children of families participating in our Self sufficiency programs. This event was sponsored by Chevron Corp. during their Annual Human Kind Campaign. Children were able to "shop" for fruits and veggies while learning about them at each "booth".

47 CHILDREN FROM 24 FAMILIES PARTICIPATED

Season of Sharing Christmas: In 2011, HAAM was able to set up a toy shop at one of our covenant organizations, Radiant United Methodist Church. Families could choose toys, which had been donated through our community, for their children. Season of Sharing was a great success and a wonderful opportunity for the parents.

2,563 CHILDREN WOKE UP TO TOYS ON CHRISTMAS MORNING





STONG SUPPORT

keeping our **ROOTS** GROWING

**VOLUNTEERS PROVIDED OVER
62,000 HOURS OF SERVICE**

VOLUNTEERS



As a volunteer driven organization, Humble Area Assistance Ministries partners with 29 covenant organizations, HISD, Lone Star College,

various scout troops, national charity leagues, just to name a few. Calls and emails are continuous from individuals and groups wanting to help our community. These dedicated workers support our ministry every day of the year.



Inspire employees take time from their work day to volunteer at HAAM



During National Volunteer Appreciation Week, HAAM hosted a volunteer appreciation event called "Green Eggs and HAAM." Over 100 volunteers enjoyed a festive brunch provided at Westminster House in Kingwood.

RAISE THE ROOF ANNUAL FUNDRAISER

The 6th Annual Raise the Roof Chili Cook-Off Fundraiser boasts a variety of activities for the whole family: music, silent auction, children's games, desserts, and of course chili, chili and more chili!



This fundraiser raises money for the building fund and to support various programs at HAAM.



RESALE STORES

Black Cat Junction

HAAM's Kingwood Resale Boutique

an affiliation of Humble Area Assistance Ministries

HAAM's original resale store, located across the street from the client service building, continues to be a great success. The second location, Black Cat Junction, is located in Kingwood and offers a unique shopping experience for all who visit.

Both resale stores provide income to HAAM's programs and our Humble location has vouchers for clients who may be in need of clothing or household items. Most of all, the stores offer affordable clothing, household items and furnishings to our community.



HAAM honored at **IN THE PINK LUNCHEON**

The Northeast Hospital Foundation selected Humble Area Assistance Ministries (HAAM) as honoree of the Foundation's 2011 "In the Pink of Health" luncheon which was held Friday, October 14 at the Houston Airport Marriott Hotel Grand Ballroom.

The announcement was made by Norman Funderburk, president of the Northeast Hospital Foundation, during a surprise visit to HAAM's April Board meeting.

The following is an excerpt from The Tribune:

"This year, the Northeast Hospital Foundation unanimously selected



Humble Area Assistance Ministries as our 2011 honoree," said Funderburk. "It's pretty obvious why we would want to honor HAAM. We both champion the same causes. We want our community to grow and prosper. You provide for the basic needs for those in our community who are in a financial crisis while the Northeast Hospital Foundation provides for the health care needs of many of those same people."

HAAM was honored on October 14 during the Foundation's annual "In the Pink of Health" luncheon.

HAAM was selected for the important role the organization plays in the

Foundation's Project Mammogram which provides free mammograms to area residents without health insurance.

"For the past 10 years, you've allowed Joyce White and her volunteers to come to HAAM to talk with your clients about the free mammograms that we offer to women who can't afford them," Funderburk told the HAAM Board. "With your assistance, we've been able to give peace of mind to hundreds of women in our community."

"We're not just honoring HAAM for Project Mammogram," said Funderburk, "we're recognizing you for what you give back to our community."



SENIOR SOCIAL HOUR

In 2011, HAAM began a new Senior Program by connecting with the Bordersville 3H Center.

A group of seniors come to HAAM and have social hour with dominoes and cards while the Food Pantry volunteers prepare their food orders.

HAAM hopes to grow this program by connecting with more Senior Centers in our local area.

In the plans for 2012, we hope to provide guest speakers, relating to our senior community members and a light lunch.



Bordersville Senior Group

AN EVENING OF **HANDS AND HEARTS**



September 17th, HAAM recognized community driven couples at the first annual Gala, An Evening of Hands and Hearts. Photo is State Representative Dan Huberty who presented information on how Jack and Lynn Fields have contributed to our community over the years.

Couples recognized that evening were, Rick & Dorothy Alspaugh, Jack & Lynn Fields and Guy & Diane Sconzo.

The evening event was sponsored by the Rotary Club of Humble Intercontinental in addition to being supported by Byron & Ginger Bertrand, Lone Star College, Brian C. Colona, Doug O. Williams Consulting, Wayne & Millie Garrison, Insperity, Robdon L.P. and Mike & Sandy Tisdale.



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