

Mission Dinner – (Typically Last Sunday of the Month) **UPDATED – JULY 2015**

Winchester Union Men's Mission
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Volunteers purchase, prepare (at their homes), deliver and serve dinner for approximately 22+ men, women and children (numbers have been varying) on the last Sunday of the month. Given the increase in the number of people served, it is recommended that each "team" consists of about 4 people.

Volunteers typically prepare a meat entree, pasta dish, stew or chili, etc., salad with dressing and/or vegetable side dish, as appropriate, rolls and butter, and a dessert (fresh fruit, cookies, brownies, etc.). A beverage is good to include as well, such as a case of bottled water, juice; the favorite for several months now is any flavor of the Hawaiian Punch line. Napkins are always a handy item to bring.

Arrive at the Mission at about 4:30 p.m. All setup must be done before 4:45 pm as dinner is served on time at 4:45 pm.

Enter on Clarke St, turn right into alley. There is a parking lot immediately adjacent to the Mission; drive through to the alley and pull around. The men staying there are very helpful and will assist in bringing in the food and generally help with setting it up to serve buffet style. The kitchen has plates, serving and eating utensils. Meal service begins with a prayer. The residents and visitors may come back for seconds after everyone is served. Once everyone has been served you are free to leave – they handle the clean-up.

If you are volunteering for this, please remember to call the Mission (number above) a few days in advance to remind that St. Paul's on-the-Hill is bringing Sunday dinner. (Leaders of the team usually do this).

This is a great volunteer opportunity for a family, a few friends, youth group, etc. We have had times when someone makes food, others deliver and serve – there are various ways to help out. For those of you who are interested, but are uncertain -- the men are very nice and appreciative. The Mission is run by Pastor Stone. He runs a tight Christian ship with prayer and service mandatory – and a zero tolerance policy for drugs and alcohol.

The Mission also takes donations of men's pre-owned clothing if you are so inclined. Those can be dropped off any time.

If you would like to help but are unable to be present or unable to make a course of the meal, you may donate either the ingredients needed to make the dish or a monetary donation for the cost.

If you would like to make a dish for one or more of the courses, but are unable to attend, we will be happy to pick up your dish and deliver it to the mission for you.