



Tomball Emergency Assistance Ministries

NEWSLETTER

February 2019

For Good Works

From Our Executive Director

But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved—and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them. ~Ephesians 2: 4-10 (ESV)

God has performed a remarkable work through his Son to secure a people for himself. In this calling, we have been given a great privilege to walk in the good works that God has prepared for us. By walking in these good works, we honor God and show Him the love that we have for Him. God's Word tells us that second only to loving God is loving our neighbor. To do so is a work that God has prepared for us.

During my first four weeks at TEAM, I have seen these good works played out in so many ways. [Read More >>](#)

Assistance Ministry At Work

From Our Clients

“When I went to TEAM, they made me feel like my family was important and it

gave me hope. TEAM helped us to get into our new home. TEAM has made starting over less stressful; it has been a great experience. The heart and goodwill of my case manager makes my heart full.” --Adrienne

Food Pantry Wishlist

If your church or organization is considering holding a food drive for TEAM, here are the greatest needs in our **Food Pantry** this month:

- Juice
- Ramen noodles
- Deodorant
- Granola bars

Thank you for helping us care for our Tomball neighbors in need.

TBN: Tomball Benevolence Network

Here are a few highlights from recent TBN activity:

- Karen Guiles made a presentation at The Heritage Center, and a TEAM fashion show was enjoyed by the residents; she also spoke at First Baptist Church's 55 Plus luncheon
- TEAM tours and presentations were enjoyed by Memorial Hermann Tomball, WoodsEdge Community Church, and Lakewood UMC with continued partnerships being developed
- Car repair service providers now include Honda of Tomball and Midas Automotive Center
- Job specialists now help clients in the assistance ministry as part of the Hand Up effort, and life skill training is in development stages



Karen Guiles (center, in blue) enjoyed giving a TEAM tour to this group from Memorial Hermann Tomball Hospital.

If you want to learn more about the Tomball Benevolence Network, please visit our [website](#), or [email Karen Guiles](#), TBN Community Liaison.

TEAM Resale Shop

Find out more about donating your unwanted items to TEAM at teamtomball.com/donate-goods. If you have large furniture to donate, you can request our furniture pick up service at teamtomball.com/pick-up. Thank you for supporting TEAM with your Resale Shop donations.

Did you know?

TEAM Resale Shop will pick up your large furniture donations.



For more information, call our Resale Shop at (281) 255-6967 or complete our request form online at teamtomball.com/pick-up

Volunteers Make It Happen

Volunteer Spotlight: Q & A With TEAM's Treasurer

Mark has been volunteering at TEAM since 2012. For the past three years, he has served on our executive committee (board of directors) as treasurer. Learn more about Mark and his role as TEAM treasurer in this month's Q&A. [Read more >>>](#)



We're always on the lookout for volunteers. Volunteer applications are available on [our website](#) or you can pick up an application in the TEAM Resale Shop. We look forward to meeting you!

Our volunteers are the best! Be sure to visit our online [volunteer photo album](#) and see our volunteers in action.

Our 2019 Fundraiser

Please join us for TEAM's annual fundraiser and dinner on Friday evening, March 22nd. Jim McIngvale "Mattress Mack" will be our guest speaker. Tickets are available for purchase [online](#).

If you'd like information on sponsoring this event, you can find that information [here](#).

Please [email us](#) if you have any questions. We hope to see you at the fundraiser!

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IN THE HEART OF TOMBALL

Annual fundraiser and dinner

Friday, March 22, 2019

La Tranquilla Ranch

9418 FM 2920, Tomball, Texas

Speaker: Jim McIngvale "Mattress Mack"

Master of Ceremonies: Bruce Hillegeist

Cocktails 6:00 pm • Dinner 6:45 pm

Business casual attire • Tickets \$40

Tickets are available online
at teamtomball.com/tickets

We Thank You

We appreciate the support we receive from our community. Most recently:

- **BJ Services** generously offered the use of their warehouse facilities for TEAM's offsite storage.
- TEAM received a grant from the **Houston Bishops' Storehouse of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints** to provide our Pantry with \$15,000 of food during the next year. This grant is equivalent to the amount TEAM spends annually at the Houston Food Bank.
- The **National Charity League (NCL) Wildflower** chapter donated over 1,700 pounds of divided powder laundry detergent.
- Food drives were held by **Salem Lutheran Church** and **Concordia Lutheran High School**
- **Boys and Girls Country** donated over 100 boxes of cereal.

- After the Houston Food Bank stopped picking up donations from some outlying areas, two couples stepped up to the plate on behalf of TEAM. **Robert & Brenda Allen** and **John & Linda Keltgen** are now collecting frozen meat from Kroger and delivering it to TEAM for our Food Pantry clients.



The Boy Scouts of America recently held their annual food drive, "Scouting For Food". **BSA Troops 113, 41 and 469, and Cub Scout Packs 72, 1201, and 113** all collected food for TEAM's Food Pantry. **BSA Troop 469** once again helped receive, sort and shelve the collected food at TEAM.



In late January, **Melissa Kamerbeek** (left) and **Mary McCoy** (right) were recognized for their years of service organizing TEAM's Christmas gift program. The awards were presented by our former executive director, **Becky Loving** (center). Because of the effort of Melissa and Mary, hundreds of gifts are distributed to families each Christmas.

Week after week, the community garden volunteers donate freshly

harvested produce to TEAM's Food Pantry. In fact, last year they donated over 3,100 lbs. of vegetables, fruit and herbs. The produce is grown in the Tomball Community Gardens, on land donated by Tomball United Methodist Church. Thank you to the volunteers who meet at the gardens every Thursday morning. If you'd like to know more, you can follow the garden on [Facebook](#), or contact the coordinator by [email](#).



On Valentine's Day, Susan and Patricia, members of the Cypress-Woodlands Junior Forum, worked in our Food Pantry. This was Patricia's first time volunteering at TEAM. Thank you to the Junior Forum volunteers for your continued support.

Partner With TEAM

Our 2019 Annual Fundraiser Call for Wine & Gift Card Donations

Can you help? TEAM's **annual fundraiser** is coming up soon and we are collecting donations of:

(1) **gift cards** (*all types, such as home improvement stores, restaurants, movie theaters, etc*)

(2) **wine** (*bottles valued at \$15 and up*)

The gift cards will be used for door prizes, as well as for our gift card tree, which

will be raffled off during the event. Donated wine will be used for our popular wine pull game.

If you have gift cards and/or wine to donate, please contact Shirley by email at team@teamtomball.com. We appreciate your support of TEAM!

You Shop, TEAM Benefits

Did you know that Amazon, Kroger and Randalls have shopping rewards programs to benefit your favorite charity? When you select TEAM as your charity of choice, a portion of your purchases will be donated to us -- and there is no cost to you. Find out how to enroll at teamtomball.com/shopping-rewards.

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