



# What Charitable Contributions Make Possible

## New Hope Ministries



New Hope Ministries is a faith based food pantry and social service agency with a network of offices that provide help with food and basic need like heat and housing to rural and suburban communities in south central Pennsylvania. As a 501(c)(3) nonprofit charitable organization and proud Pennsylvania Association of Nonprofit Organizations (PANO) Standards for Excellence accredited agency, we fully embrace our mission of caring for the less fortunate in our communities and loving our neighbors as ourselves.

We serve 17,000 people annually. Our annual budget is \$2.3M; this works out to a cost of approximately \$300 per household served! The tangible value from a year of food, to the economic value of having a high school diploma, to getting a job that pays a living wage means that a \$300 investment can have tens of thousands of dollars of actual benefit for the families helped.

Our food pantry, job training and help programs benefit from some public funds, but **over 90% of our operating budget comes from community support. The charitable deduction serves as a motivator to give and allows our donors to give more generously, ensuring that programs that are desperately needed by the community don't become one more financial responsibility of our local, state, and federal governments.**

This has been a remarkable year for our nonprofit. We can count four legacy gifts, a charitable trust and a donor who found us on the internet to make a six figure gift. Everyone has a personal motivation to give, but is also influenced by tax reasons. What this means to our charity is that we now have the ability to open two new food pantries in underserved communities!

