## **Emergency Assistance Offered**

# **DDOC** Food & Clothing Pantries & Financial Assistance programs:

Volunteers are needed to help sort, organize, stock, and distribute food and donated clothing items that are available at the DDOC.





Bags of food and personal care products are given to families who need assistance in these areas at the Center. These bags are created for Thanksgiving, Christmas,

and Easter. At Christmas time there are also gifts that go along with the Christmas food.

The Center has been offering financial assistance to families who are unemployed and under-employed. We work closely with local agencies to address the needs of families in the surrounding com-

munities.

## The Mission of the Dorothy Day Outreach Center

Since 1981, following in the foot steps of our namesake Dorothy Day, the Dorothy Day Outreach Center exists to help the disenfranchised in our local communities. We believe that hospitality is the key to serving others. Our mission, as the social outreach division of Saint Francis University, is to address the issues of social concern in the local communities. The Dorothy Day Outreach Center serves and continues to welcome all those who come through its doors treating them with dignity and respect.



Dorothy Day saw the

poor and wanted to help make a difference in their lives. Her religious conversion marked her desire to integrate faith with social action. Dor-

othy Day is considered a 20th Century model of Saint Francis of Assisi. She co-founded the Catholic Worker Movement and is widely regarded for her work as an advocate for social justice and peace.

## Dorothy Day Outreach Center



The Dorothy Day Outreach Center's vision is to serve the poor of Cambria and the surrounding counties through the engagement and volunteer assistance of our students.

Hours of Operation

Tuesday through Friday

9 AM to 11:30 AM

1 PM to 3:30 PM
Closed for lunch from 12-1

## **Staff**

Br. Gabriel Mary Amato T.O.R.

Director of the Dorothy Day Outreach

Center

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## **Fundraisers**

All of the funds received or raised go toward the Emergency Financial Assistance program assisting families who are in need.

#### **DECLINING BALANCE:**

Students are encouraged to donate funds from their meal plans to the Dorothy Day Outreach Center. The fundraiser takes place for one day each semester at Torvian Hall.

## **BI-ANNUAL TAG SALE:**

The Center holds a TAG sale twice a year to raise money for the financial assistance program at the Dorothy Day Outreach Center.

#### **BROTHER SHAMUS BIKE RIDE:**

Each year since 2011 Brother Shamus McGrenra T.O.R. has ridden his bike hundreds of miles to raise monies for the Dorothy Day Outreach Center. This has become one of our largest and most productive fundraisers at the Center.



## **Fundraisers**

## THE SHAMUS SHUFFLE:

The general public pledges funds as they bike, walk, or jog on the Ghost Town Trail starting in Ebensburg at the Community Center.

#### **BI-ANNUAL LOTTERY:**

For a donation of \$10.00 per ticket a participant has the opportunity to win monies each day throughout the entire month. The numbers for this event are chosen from the PA lottery pick 3 evening drawing.

## **DDOC NEWSLETTER:**

Four times a year the Center's newsletter keeps the community informed of our activities and progress. We also receive monetary donations from our readers.

## **ANTIQUE AUCTION:**

During Alumni weekend we have a silent auction on line for anyone who would like to bid on the antiques that were donated to the Center.



## **Programs**

## THANKSGIVING DINNER FOR OUR SENIORS:

This is held every year for our local seniors from nursing homes, senior centers, and the community. The dinner is prepared by the Torvian employees and served by volunteers from the university administration, staff, faculty, and students.

## **FOOD COLLECTION:**

Food drives are held by SFU students, clubs, and organizations along with staff and faculty. Local high school students collect food for the DDOC as their senior project. The elementary students at St. Michael's School in Loretto also have several food and personal care products drives for us.

## ST. ANTHONY'S BREAD:

This is a term used for the gifts given for the poor in thanksgiving to God for the blessings received through St. Anthony's intercession. There are so many poor and alone in the world, this tradition is a special way for you to thank St. Anthony for his intercession on your behalf.

