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# MY BROTHER'S KEEPER

CATHOLIC CHARITIES IN ACTION

# **SUMMARY**

My Brother's Keeper is a community-based resource center in West Baltimore that provides meals, community resources and supports everyday to the Irvington community.

In FY24, My Brother's Keeper (MBK) continued to build upon its rich legacy of being a consistent, safe, and supportive presence in the West Baltimore Community. Noted by both community residents and community partners for both its presence and service delivery in West Baltimore, MBK was awarded a prestigious Governor's Citation. MBK also hosted a Career Fair Day in June 2024, which drew nearly 100 Baltimore residents and confirmed our program's status as a strong resource for our neighbors.





Number of hot meals provided

20,419



Percentage of people who gained employment with program support

**85**%



Number of newly-referred community residents given access to support services

172



Percentage of people who received emergency/drop-in services through program support

**72**%



Number of individuals who accessed Villa Maria Behavioral Health services

29

# **SERVICES PROVIDED**

- · Daily meal program
- Job placement
- · Case management services
- · Behavioral health services
- · Recovery and substance use support
- · Benefits eligibility and access services
- · Industry and trades training
- GED program

- Referral service support
- Financial education
- Criminal record expungement services and legal advice
- · Health screenings and health education
- Computer literacy training
- · Monthly COVID vaccine

# **KEY GOVERNMENT FUNDERS**

- Maryland Department of Human Services (MD DHS)
- Baltimore City Emergency Food and Shelter Program

In addition to the grant support from key government funders, we extend our deepest gratitude to the individuals, corporations, community partners, and foundations that support our work. Their generosity provides life-changing opportunities for families and individuals in need.

# **COMMUNITY PARTNERS**

- Saint Joseph Monastery Parish
- The Knights of Columbus
- Mount Saint Joseph High School
- Catonsville Emergency Assistance (CEA)
- Mayor's Office of Employment Development
- Health By Southwest (Consortium of Catholic Institutions in Southwest Baltimore)
- · Ascension Saint Agnes Hospital
- 40 West Assistance and Referral Center

- The Family of Blase Cooke
- · Grilled Cheese and Company
- Irvington Community Association
- Maryland Volunteer Lawyers Service
- University School of Medicine
- St. Peter's Adult Learning Center
- Joe Wagner (Ideas Empowered)

## PROGRAM NEEDS

- My Brother's Keeper welcomes the assistance of volunteers to provide support in an array of our daily programming.
- Regularly needed items that support the daily meal serving program, such as dried pasta; rice; pasta sauce; peanut butter, sliced turkey, sliced ham, sliced cheese, bottled water, fruit/

drinks, soda, oranges, cookies, granola bars, Sun Chips, pretzels, fruit cups, fruit gummies, cheese crackers, potato chips, mustard packs, mayo packs, zip lock plastic sandwich bags, carryout plastic bags, toiletries for men and women (toothpaste, soap, deodorant, shaving cream, socks).

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