



**UNITED CHRISTIAN
MINISTRIES OF
JACKSON COUNTY,
INC.**

ANNUAL REPORT 2020

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OUR MISSION

United Christian Ministries was formed in 1989 by a consortium of Jackson County Churches as an outreach to Jackson County residents in crisis. Our mission:

- To serve Christ by being a voice for, and a help to, people with urgent physical, economic, social, or spiritual needs
- To serve as a referral source to other agencies
- To enhance community understanding and awareness of the needs of those in poverty
- To refer persons to local churches for continuing Christian ministry and support, and to serve as a resource to such supportive congregations

How do we achieve our mission?

With the support of local churches, businesses, individuals, and fundraising efforts, we offer a food pantry and financial assistance to Jackson County residents. Further in this report you will see how our many supporters make this work possible, and the impact that we have here in Jackson County.

To all who support our mission with time, donations, and referrals, we say "thank you"!

Our Programs



Food Pantry

UCM has a fully stocked food pantry, allowing us to create complete food bags for local families. We receive donations from Food Lion, churches, civic groups, businesses, schools, and individuals. We also partner with MANNA food bank and local suppliers.



Financial Assistance

UCM helps Jackson County residents avoid eviction and loss of utilities by helping to pay bills for rent, heating, power, and water. We coordinate with other agencies to prevent duplication of services and to pool resources.

Other services

United Christian Ministries is the only agency in the county providing personal and household items to residents. We provide toiletry items (toothpaste, toothbrush, shampoo, soap), hygiene products (adult diapers, feminine products, baby diapers), and household items (laundry detergent, dishwashing liquid, paper products). We also work with other agencies to help with specific needs, such as assisting homeless families with items needed for their new home.



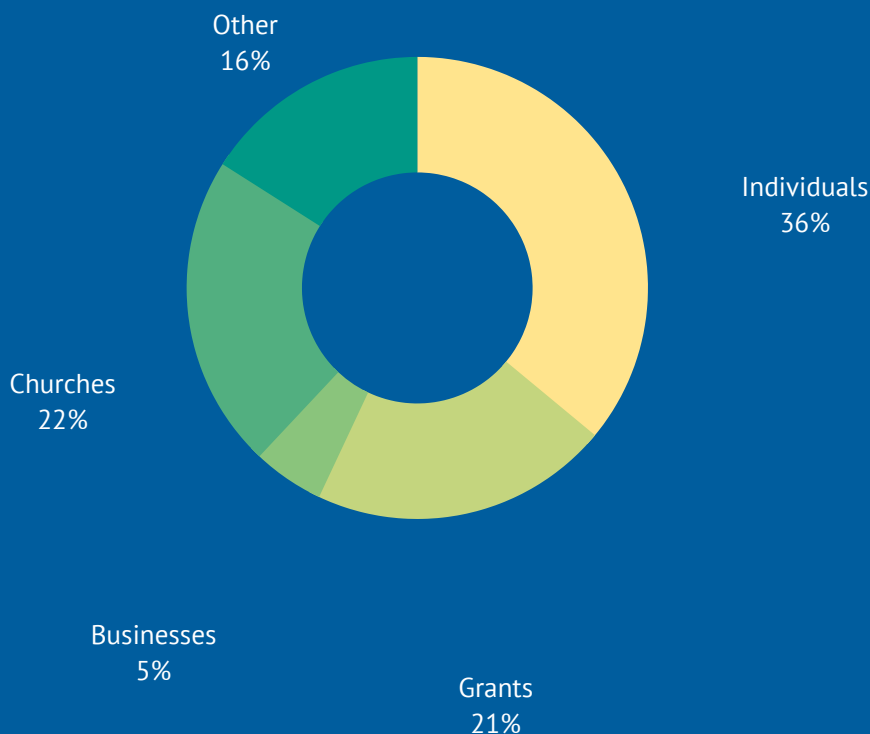
Volunteers

United Christian Ministries has just two paid staff - our Executive Director and Director of Outreach. All of our programs are staffed by a wonderful group of volunteers, who greet and interview clients, answer phones, stock the pantry, fill food bags, transport donated food, and more.



PROGRAM INCOME & IMPACT

United Christian Ministries receives financial support from individuals, churches, businesses, and civic organizations, as well as funding from grants. Funds are used for administrative costs, capital costs, and ministry expenses.

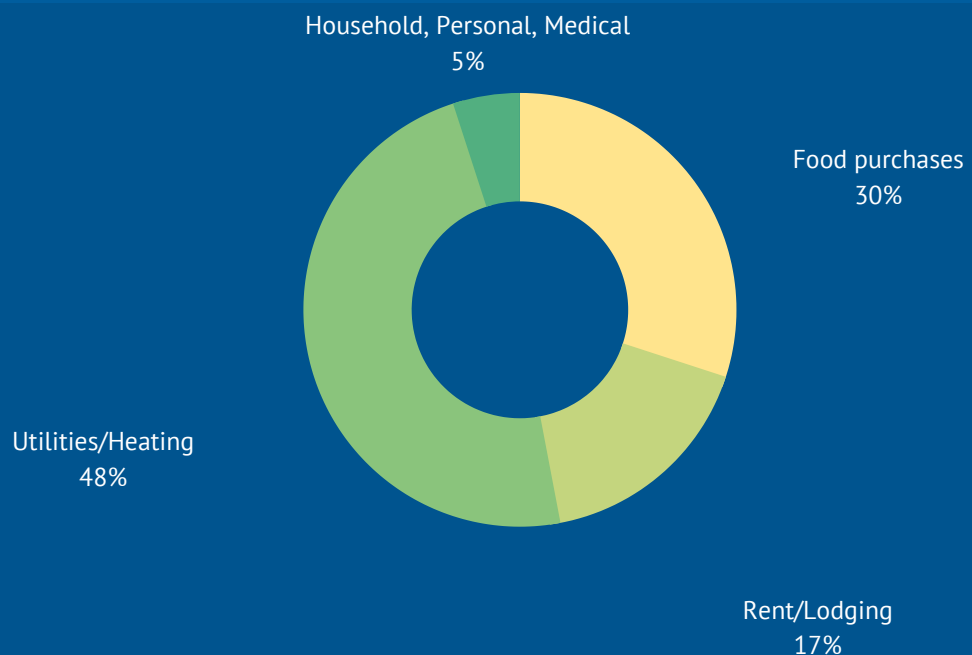


INCOME SOURCES

In addition to financial support, UCM receives hundreds of pounds of donated food every month from local supporters and grocery stores.

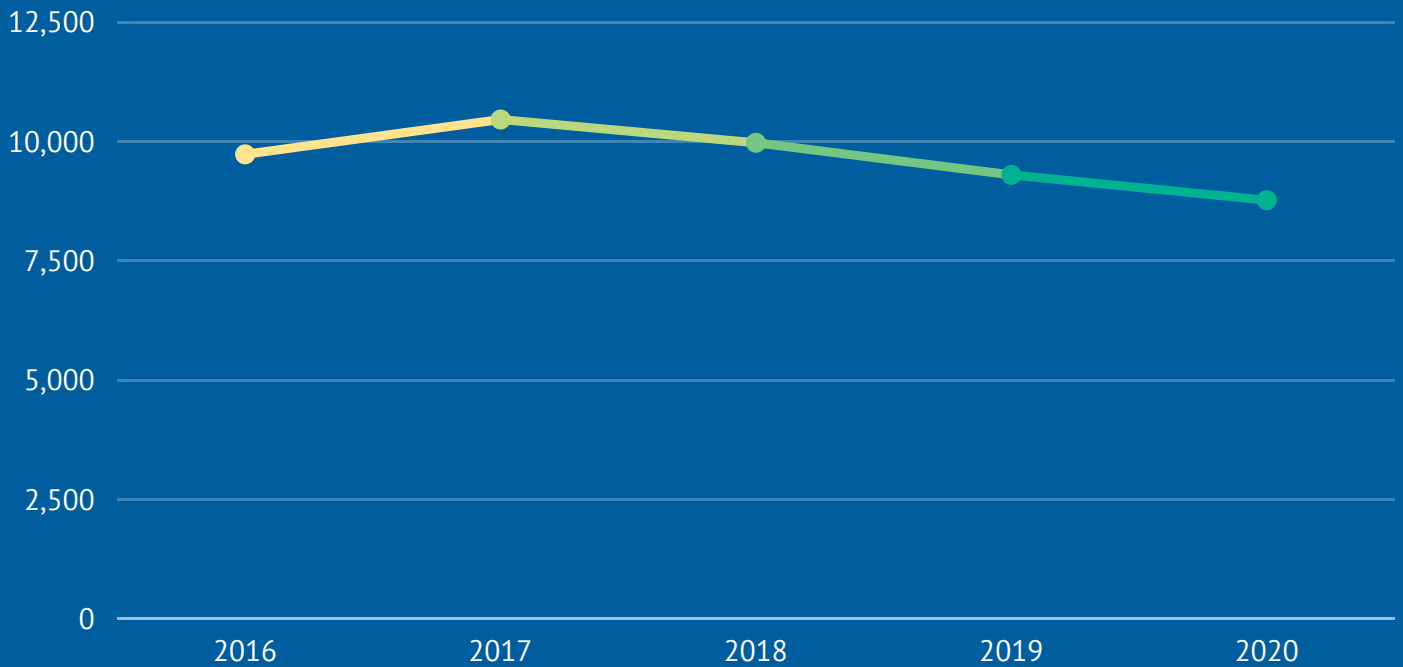
MINISTRY EXPENSES

Because the pandemic has increased food insecurity, UCM provides food as often as weekly to those in need. UCM is the only agency in the county that provides personal and household items such as shampoo, toothpaste, laundry detergent, diapers, and more.

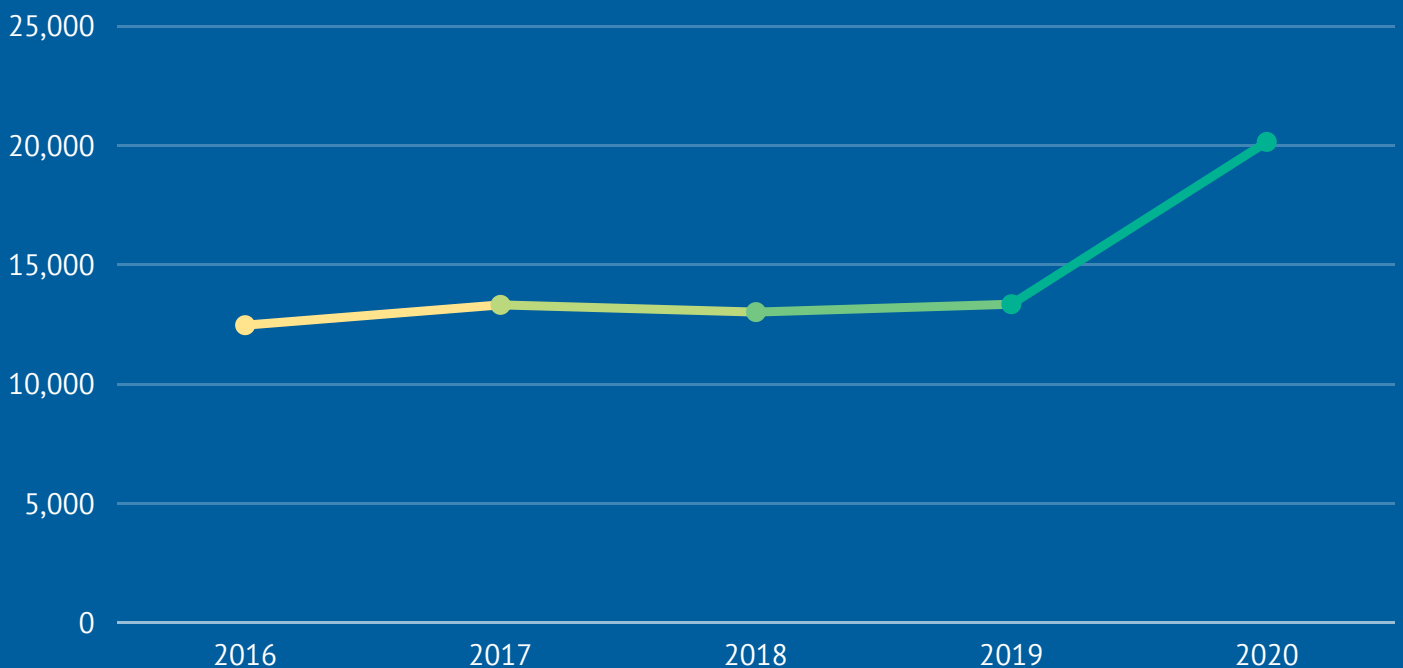


Client Trends

Client Visits



Food Bags Given Out





Staff and Board

United Christian Ministries employs two paid staff members who work with over 40 regular volunteers and a volunteer board.

Executive Director

Karen Johnson

Director of Outreach

Joyce Pope

2021 Board of Directors

Steve Metcalf, Chair

Frances Hess, Secretary

Cyndie Royce, Treasurer

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