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# 2010

Really Need All Those Shoes?

Hundreds of closets across Iowa are breathing easier! Join the Iowans who are clearing their closet of old shoes. Help IOWAY meet our goal of 20,000 pair of used shoes that will be donated to Hope Ministries in Des Moines, IA. Collect them at your church, school or business.

Complete details in last month's *The Lutheran Witness* or check out

[http://www.idwlcms.org/ministry\\_areas/ioway/information/shoes\\_and\\_undies\\_2010.pdf](http://www.idwlcms.org/ministry_areas/ioway/information/shoes_and_undies_2010.pdf)

### Shoe totals from March 15–April 15:



Fort Dodge/Humboldt LWML Rally



Boone LWML Rally

\*Fort Dodge and Humboldt LWML Rally: 140 pairs/shoes

\*Boone LWML Rally: Estimated 950 pairs/shoes (Christ, Bouton: 353 pairs/shoes)

\*Sac City LWML Rally: 344 underwear items and estimated 750 pairs/shoes

\*Trinity, Deer Creek: 48 pairs/shoes

\*Living Faith Preschool, Clive: 267 children's underwear

\*Mt. Calvary, Indianola: 144 underwear items

\*St. Paul, Charter Oak: 51 pairs/shoes and 22 items of underwear

\*Women of St. Paul, Sac City: \$100 gift card for needs of homeless

\*St. Paul, Fort Dodge, LWML: 100 backpacks and school supplies

(If you or your church collected items and you were not listed in this or last month's mailing, please contact me at 515-386-8420)

**WHY underwear?** IOWAY youth and adults have been involved in two mission trips in 2009 to work with churches in the Los Angeles area. They cleaned, painted, did landscaping, and helped with Vacation Bible School. They also went to Skid Row in Los Angeles, where approximately 8,000 homeless people live. As they distributed Bibles, food, clothing and school supplies, the frequently requested clothing item was undergarments.

We Iowans decided that we can 'do something' about that! We can collect underwear to provide a very basic human need. The underwear and shoe collection for the homeless will continue throughout 2010.

Please call or email me with the number of items you deliver to either the Orphan Grain Train or Hope Ministries. Our goal is 20,000 pairs of shoes and 10,000 items of underwear in 2010!

If you deliver shoes to Orphan Grain Train in Ida Grove, please have the shoes in heavy duty garbage bags marked with how many are in each bag and which church or organization donated them. The shoes will then be ready to be loaded and delivered to Hope Ministries in Des Moines.

The best delivery option is to deliver directly to  
Hope Ministries  
4950 NE 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Pleasant Hill, IA 50327

Delivery hours: 9-4 on Saturday and 10-5 on Tuesday through Thursday.

To learn more about Hope Ministries in Des Moines, check out [www.hopeiowa.org](http://www.hopeiowa.org)

Shoes and underwear can be brought to the LWML Convention at Camp Okoboji June 17-19. Please have each pair banded or tied and counted.

Another way we Iowans can help provide basic needs for others is to volunteer at the  
Food Bank of Siouxland  
1313 11<sup>th</sup> Street  
Sioux City, IA 51105

To volunteer as an individual or group, contact Katie or Judy at 712-255-9741.



Nine Pastor's wives had fun helping at the Food Bank the afternoon of April 11.

### IOWAY Mission Trips

Summer 2009 IOWAY mission trip!

Be part of teaching VBS, repairing church property and sharing the love of Jesus in the inner city of Los Angeles, CA, June 29 – July 12, 2010. For information, check out [http://www.idwlcms.org/ministry\\_areas/ioway/information/los\\_angeles\\_registration.pdf](http://www.idwlcms.org/ministry_areas/ioway/information/los_angeles_registration.pdf)

Plan ahead! Be a Petal Pusher December 28, 2010 - January 4, 2011! Decorate the Lutheran Hour and other beautiful floats for the famous Rose Parade in Pasadena, CA. Registration and detailed information at:

[http://www.idwlcms.org/ministry\\_areas/ioway/information/california\\_registration\\_2011.pdf](http://www.idwlcms.org/ministry_areas/ioway/information/california_registration_2011.pdf)