



Paying It Forward With SAM

At Shively Area Ministries, we strive to help everyone who comes through our doors. There are so many stories out there, many without easy, short-term fixes. Your ongoing support helps us build relationships with our clients and help them through difficult times.

From darkness to light

Mary's Story



In 2010, Mary and her husband John found themselves caring for Mike, a 33 year-old disabled man, as well as John's 7 year-old disabled grandson Ben. Sadly, after more than 12 years of marriage, Mary discovered her husband had been physically abusing both Mike and Ben.

Mary immediately sought help and began a long battle to protect herself, Mike and Ben, whom she loved and cared for as her own sons. Along the way, she lost everything. Except hope. Her friends and family told her to give up. But, Mary was determined to keep

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With grateful thanks...

Your donations make a difference. And for that, we say thank you on behalf of our many clients in need.

"Dear Shively Area Ministries: This place and its members have been here for me and my kids. You've fed us, you have clothed us, you've kept us warm by paying our electric bill, you kept big smiles on my kids' faces on Christmas Day. You provided school supplies so my kids wouldn't be embarrassed at school; and, you've kept me encouraged and positive with great conversations with your staff and volunteers. I don't know what I would have done without your help. I wish I could do more but all I can say is 'Thank you!'

– Michelle, Single mother with 4 children

Service to our neighbors

Since our fiscal year began in July 2014, Shively Area Ministries has...

Served **13,497** households



Assisted **27,336** people
(1,206 new households)



Helped **2,459** new clients



Be A Good SAMaritan

Being a member of the **Good SAMaritan Society** is another way to help Shively Area Ministries. We have 178 partners in ministry currently and our goal is 200. Help us make the difference today for area families by joining with us as neighbors helping neighbors.

See how your support can help us grow. For more information, or to establish a giving circle, please contact Shively Area Ministries at **(502) 447-4330, ext. 23**.

Partner in Ministry Circle: Monthly commitment of \$10-\$100 or an annual commitment of \$1000+

Sponsorship Circle: Annual commitment of \$1500+ (or monthly commitment of \$110+) Or, provide sponsorship for our fall banquet at the sustainability level (\$5000) or event level (\$2500)

Sustainability Circle: Monthly commitment of \$500+ or annual commitment of \$5000+ Or, name SAM in your estate or planned giving.

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her small family together. She found a job, began working and then reached out to Shively Area Ministries for financial help with her basic needs. SAM helped her with rent, utilities and food. “I didn’t have anywhere else to turn,” she said. “Shively Area Ministries kept me going and gave me hope. They fed me and my children each month for a year.”

Now, five years later, Mary visited us again, not to ask for help, but to share with us the rest of her story. She is now engaged and preparing for the role of a minister’s wife. She continues to work part-time and volunteers at her church. Mike, now 45, moved into a home where he lives independently with a roommate. Ben is now 12 and mainstreamed into Jefferson County Schools.

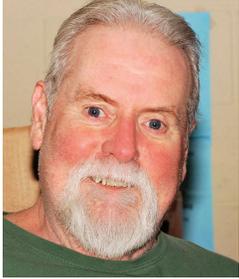
Mary is filled with praise to God for getting her through such a tough time in her life, and for the help that SAM gave her. She was so grateful that she came in to pay back the money she was given during her time of need in 2010. Her donation will be used to help the next person who winds up in a difficult situation. Thanks to Mary, another family will be given the help they need when they find themselves left in the dark with nowhere to turn.



Giving from the heart

Your donations are vital to our mission. Our hearts are grateful for your commitment and generosity.

Volunteers



"I've been volunteering since I retired. I did not realize the great amount of hunger in Shively. I like helping the needy and working with great people. Shively Area Ministries is truly a miracle place."

– Bob Vernon, volunteer

Board of Directors

"What inspires me to serve with SAM? I am at that point in my life and career that I wanted a new challenge. SAM has allowed me to broaden my experience while helping to advance a mission that is important to me. I enjoy the social impact of SAM's cause, while offering feedback, oversight and support."



– April Allen, board of directors, SAM

Partners

"We truly enjoy the partnership we have with Shively Area Ministries. Their model of partnering with the community churches and organizations and working together to give a hand up during a personal need, all the while sharing Christ's love is a beautiful thing for the community they serve. They meet the immediate and long-term needs with grace and love and we are very blessed to be one of many partners coming alongside them. To the staff and the volunteers we say "Thank you" for what you do each day to give hope to each person that comes through the doors at SAM." – Southeast Christian Church, church partner

Donors

"Beth and I became interested in Shively Area Ministries initially because of our desire to share God's gifts in a more impactful way. Our long friendship and respect for Sister Jean Anne made the decision very easy. She gave us the confidence that our gifts would truly reach those in need in a very direct manner."



– Steve and Beth Mullins, donors

SAM Calendar

Join us for Volunteer opportunities and events at Shively Area Ministries.

April Spring Food Drive for summer

April 20 Volunteer luncheon

July & August School supplies distribution

Sept 24 **SAVE THE DATE** for SAM's sixth annual banquet, featuring the Monarchs. Register early for tickets, only \$35 for dinner and dancing to the Monarchs. The 2015 Annual SAM Banquet will be held at the Crowne Plaza hotel, 830 Phillips Lane.

Want to help or be involved?
Call (502) 447-4330 x23.

Sow the seeds of love. You can make a difference.

I want to help!

- Please contact me about volunteering for S.A.M.
- Please use my gift to improve lives.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone (_____) _____

E-mail _____

- Check enclosed. (Made payable to Shively Area Ministries)
in the amount of \$ _____

- Please send me information about becoming a faithful donor through the **Good SAMaritan Society**.

Please fill out this form, cut out, and mail to:

Shively Area Ministries
4415 Dixie Hwy.
Shively, KY 40216

Thank you! If you have questions, please call Angie at (502) 447-4330 x25

Food pantry wish list:

- cereal
- canned fruits
- canned soups
- crackers

To deliver donations, call Joe at (502) 447-4330 x27
Or drop by M-F, 9 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
(closed first Monday each month)



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