



A LITTLE HELP GOES A LONG WAY

For Steven, rent assistance made a big difference.

Steven is a disabled senior and lives on a fixed income. He has lived in the same apartment complex for a decade, but rent increases each year put him behind on payments.

With no living family members or other resources to help, Steven humbly reached out to Bishop Sullivan Center.

We helped him pay January and February rent, which put him back on track.

Every donated dollar helps turn struggles into successes for people in need each month. For Steven, it anchored his ability to remain in his residence this winter. His smile confirms his deep appreciation.



Thank you note from Steven

I would like to thank *all* the private donors that contributed to Bishop Sullivan so they can reach out and help everyone that is in need of financial assistance. Your generosity is gratefully appreciated. Without all these private donors there are some individuals and families that would be suffering dramatically and some forced to even leave their homes.

These private donations help with rent, utilities, medical expenses, food, clothing, etc., etc., etc.

Hopefully more and more individuals will step forward in the months to come and donate whatever they can to help Bishop Sullivan to continue their good work.

SUCCESS STORY

Flexible funding from donors allows us to respond to seemingly small things that make a big impact for our neighbors in need.

Monica* had been out of work since early 2023, which meant cutting back on hair treatments, something that affected her self-confidence as she interviewed for jobs.

Bishop Sullivan Center worked to combine a Senior discount with a visit to a local salon academy for a hair restoration session. The result was life-changing for Monica.

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A POSITIVE FIT | Our partnership with Troost 39 helps clothe those in need

Deep winter cold quickly can turn into a crisis for those without a warm coat. Alan* lost his mother a year ago and was rebuilding his life when he arrived to ask for assistance with food. It was 13 degrees that day, and it was clear he also needed warm clothing. Through our partnership with **Troost 39**, a nearby thrift store that connects donated items to community members in need, we are able to give vouchers to those we serve for clothing, shoes and outerwear. The vouchers allow them to receive those items at no charge from Troost 39.

Your support in 2025 touched the lives of more than **100,000 Kansas Citizens in need.**

92,596

people were fed at
One City Café

1,129

households received help
with rent, utilities, & other aid

867

families received
groceries each month

6,967 volunteers provided **more than 13,676 hours of service** — the equivalent of **over \$438,000 in labor.** Our household assistance and food pantry programs assisted more than 10,000 Jackson County residents. **Nearly a quarter** of our Emergency Assistance recipients were referred by a healthcare provider or other community support organization, the result of our **increased focus on addressing the root causes of poverty** and wrapping around neighbors in need.

Thank you for making this impact possible! View our full 2025 Annual Report by visiting bishopsullivan.org.

YOUR GENEROSITY IN ACTION

HELPING MOMS IN NEED

Kara* is a single mom who was living in her car through the winter with her 3-year-old son and while pregnant. She found Bishop Sullivan Center when working with an adoption agency for her baby.

We were able to cover a few application fees while she was looking for housing.

When she was approved, we were able to assist with her old water bill that needed to be paid off so she could have water at her new place.

Natalie* is a single mother of two who recently had an emergency C-section for a baby born prematurely. She was able to take some paid time off from work but not the entire period. She is struggling to keep up with her bills and rent, and Bishop Sullivan Center assisted to keep Natalie and her family housed.



One City Cafe offers warm meals for those in need each day.

A CALL AND A SPECIAL DELIVERY

Ellen* would come to the Food Pantry every 30 days and the clothing closet every three months.

We had not seen Ellen* for a while and called to check on her. Her car had broken down, and the repairs would more than she could afford.

The car also was her only way to reach Bishop Sullivan Center for food, so we arranged to have food delivered to her. She appreciated the arrangements and the call to see if she was okay.

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THANK YOU! Your support is helping us provide the open door, the hot meal, and the step forward for neighbors in need.

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