As the pandemic involving COVID-19 hit the Wabash Valley, there was a seemingly increase in fear, and need. The Salvation Army was one of the many places that people in the Wabash Valley turned to. As we are known for Soup, Soap, and Salvation. Here at the Salvation Army we usually surpass in aiding over 200-300 persons monthly. We immediately saw an increase due to COVID-19 rush through our building. We had an increase in call center calls, registering new clients, emergency food boxes, call center, food pick up, emails, phone calls, and more.

**February:**

Persons served – 344

Clothing orders – 12

Personal care – 40

Energy orders paid – 1

Housing orders paid – 4

Applications received emergency assistance: 10

Phone calls: 115

Referrals made: 50+

**March**

Persons served – 421

Clothing orders – 12

Personal care – 57

Energy Orders paid – 5

Housing Orders paid – 4

Applications received for emergency assistance - 27

Phone Calls: 250+

Referrals made: 65+

**April**

* **Middle of the month stats as of 4.16.20**

Persons served: 185

Clothing orders: 0

Personal care: 17

Energy orders paid:

Housing orders paid: 3

Applications received utility/rental: 9

Phone calls: 140

Referrals made: 25 ………As the statistics show, we had major increase during the month of March and April as COVID-19 hit the Wabash valley in emergency assistance. February statistics are what normal month represent. The Salvation Army is often able help those in Vigo County to the best of our ability by keeping them in their homes by working with landlord and agencies in making pledges on their behalf. We also have the ability in working with agencies such as Duke Energy, Vectren, and American water in making pledges to take care of fear or disconnect and allowing utilities to remain stable. Even as most utility companies have vowed to disconnect – the fear remains of being able to afford it once all bans are lifted due to months of being out of work. Here at the Salvation Army we know that we can be that peace of mind for those we are able to asset. We also have been able to provide emergency food baskets assistance to those who have had no luck in the stores finding necessities for their families. We would like to be able to continue to do so as the months continue. We also want to continue to provide hygiene products to those who come to us as well.

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