



ASSISTANCE MINISTRY

**“WE GIVE A
HAND UP,
NOT A
HAND OUT”**

The Assistance Ministry is funded through the generosity of our community, so we have a responsibility to be thoughtful and faithful stewards of our donors' contributions. Financial assistance from GSM is intended to help bridge a temporary financial gap for a client. It is not meant to simply pay off a debt, but rather to invest in the client's stability, dignity and long-term well-being.

Financial Assistance Provided and Required Documentation

- Rent and Deposit - Signed lease, Ledger, Late Notice, Proof of Income for 30 days
- Transitional Living - Invoice for Program Fees
- Treatment/Classes - Invoice
- Daycare - Invoice
- Utilities
 - Electric - Shut Off Notice, Copy of Bill, and Denial Letter from Energy Share
 - Water - Copy of bill and Shut off Notice
- Auto Repair, Tires, and Maintenance - Valid DL, Valid Insurance, Valid Registration, Two Quotes from Repair/Tire Shops (we are unable to buy parts and repairs must be done by a reputable business that is licensed, bonded and insured)
- Medical Expenses
 - Doctor/Medical Bills - Invoice
 - Dental Bills - Invoice
 - Eye Care - Invoice
 - Prescription Expense - Letter From Doctor Attesting Not a Narcotic or Controlled Substance
- Gas Cards - For Medical Appointments Out of Town Only, Proof of Medical Appointment Showing Date, Time, and Location

Please note that all supporting documentation for assistance must reflect current situation. Please only bring notices or bills that are dated the current month. We cannot accept screenshots, please download the document or print it. If you are unsure if a document will qualify please reach out and ask. All required documents must be brought to appointment. Incomplete paperwork may delay or prevent assistance.

Assistance is not guaranteed and there is a maximum allowance per year and over a lifetime. Due to limited funding, assistance outside those listed is very limited. However, if someone needs financial assistance for something not listed, please feel free to email Carrie at carrie@goodsamministries.org or call 406-442-0780 and we would be happy to discuss this with you!