**Fall 2018**

**Share Inc.**

**Box 210, McLean, VA 22101**

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**What is Share?**

* Non-profit organization established in 1969 by a coalition of local faith communities to help meet the emergency needs of the less fortunate in our area
* All-volunteer organization with no paid staff, no office and no expenditures for fund raising – therefore thanks to thousands of volunteer hours, most donations get passed along to clients
* Last year we provided assistance to 1500 households including about 4000 family members, mostly children

**Who are our Clients?**

* **O**ur clients are the working poor and include seriously economically distressed families and individuals, seniors living on limited pensions, impoverished immigrants, victims of spousal abuse and recently homeless folks.
* Clients are referred to us by local faith communities, county social workers and a number of non-profit groups working with victims of spousal abuse and formerly homeless households.

**What are our Major Programs?**

* **Food and Clothing Rooms** –in donated space in the McLean Baptist Church Share distributes food staples and used clothing to needy families. We are currently providing about 1000 bags of groceries and 200 bags of clothing to clients each month.
* **Family Assistance** – our crisis intervention program - we pay bills to avoid evictions, utility cutoffs etc.-Last year we spent about $150,000 on such intervention working in close cooperation with Fairfax County’s Coordinated Services Program.
* **Furniture Program** – Share owns 2 trucks with which we pick up and deliver clean used furniture to needy families and formerly homeless individuals. Last year we provided used furniture to 240 households including about 600 family members, mostly children. If you are interested in donating use furniture call 703-448-1054.
* We **also provided**: new school supplies in the fall for the needy children; holiday baskets at Thanksgiving Christmas and Easter; free Christmas gifts for poor households through our holiday celebration; rebuilt computers and printers for needy families with school-aged children well as special events including a food for trees activity and numerous sponsored food collections.

**What are our current needs?**

Our operations are totally dependent on volunteers and private contributions since we receive no governmental funding. **We are always seeking new volunteers, if interested check our web site or contact Vic Kimm at** **vkimm@verizon.net**