



Update: Plan Ahead in 2017

2017 – Make This the Year of Your Legacy

What better goal for this NEW year than to create your own **personal legacy** by continuing your support of the mission of Lafayette Urban Ministry beyond your own lifetime? During our lifetimes, we support the families in our community with our gifts to LUM, but creating a legacy through **Planned Giving** means our ministry will continue for all perpetuity.

Giving to Lafayette Urban Ministry is a win-win Estate Planning strategy for you (the donor) and LUM. In addition to the altruistic benefits, your charitable gift to Lafayette Urban Ministry brings tax relief — and also allows you to make a larger gift to LUM than you could make from your income alone. Whether you use **cash, appreciated securities/stock, real estate, artwork, partnership interests, personal property, life insurance** or a **retirement plan**, the benefits of Estate Planned Gifts can make this type of donation attractive to you as well as LUM.



Mission Statement

Poverty is the greatest thief. More than depriving a neighbor of food or shelter or warmth, it steals away hope. While other thieves may take away the past, poverty steals the future and self-respect.

The Lafayette Urban Ministry is in the business of restoring human dignity. Through voluntary efforts and contributions we give back the hope, the future, the self-respect, which all God's people need and deserve.

Ours is a Christian ministry that welcomes congregations and people of all faiths. We give witness to God's saving love and prophetic power by loving neighbors, seeking justice, empowering the least among us, and renewing the Church's social ministry.



The kind of help provided by Lafayette Urban Ministry to this community doesn't happen automatically and won't happen without your support. **Jesus said, "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest."** At the Lafayette Urban Ministry we take those words seriously.

We know that offering homeless people food and shelter and lightening their load is the first step to helping them build better lives. But we also know it's only the first step. That's why **LUM offers dozens of innovative programs** of service, assistance, self-help, education and social justice advocacy. There will always be the poor, the sick and the disenfranchised in our world. We will always need to help provide these vital services to the families in our community. **We hope you'll help** this important work to continue by giving generously.



Meet with your professional advisor to learn how informed estate planning can increase the overall value of your estate with a gift of tax-burdened assets (like IRAs, 401(k), or savings bonds) to Lafayette Urban Ministry. **We hope you would consider a legacy gift that would support Lafayette Urban Ministry** in your plans. Create your legacy this year to support the mission of LUM now and beyond your lifetime.

We are ready and willing to help you leave a legacy and fulfill your philanthropic goals of supporting LUM.

If you are interested in beginning the conversation, **please email or call Joe Micon**, LUM executive director, who is eager to meet with you (jmicon@lumserve.org | 765-423-2691). To give to LUM online, click [HERE](#).

2017 LUM Events – Save the Dates



LUM Good Samaritan Fund Follies (5/5)
The 5th Annual [LUM Good Samaritan Fund Follies](#)—an evening of food, fun, fellowship and “follies”—benefits the LUM Good Samaritan Fund.
Dinner and show are at St. Andrew United Methodist Church (West Lafayette) at 5:30 p.m. \$45 per person. Make reservations, click [HERE](#).



LUM Camp (8/1-4)
[LUM Camp](#) is a week-long, overnight camp program at Hanging Rock Camp for children from 8 to 10 years old from low-income families. Volunteer camp counselors are needed. Why not make this year the year you say "yes" to being a LUM Camp Counselor? [More](#).



Hunger Hike (9/16-17)
Saturday, September 16 is the 5th Annual [HH5K Run](#). Sunday (9/17) is the traditional [Hunger Hike 3K Walk](#). Proceeds benefit LUM Food Programs, Food Finders Food Bank Inc., and St. Thomas Aquinas' Haiti Ministry. Mark your calendars and get your team together. [More](#).



Community Thanksgiving Celebration (11/23)
The LUM [Community Thanksgiving Celebration](#) is on Thanksgiving Day from noon to 2 p.m. at Central Presbyterian Church (Lafayette). More than 800 people will be served dinner and dessert, and you may be a part of this special program by volunteering or making a donation. [More](#).



Turkey Trot 5K Run/Walk (11/23)
Start off your Thanksgiving day with the [Turkey Trot 5K Run/Walk](#) at 8 a.m. in McAllister Park, Lafayette. Runners, walkers, dogs, strollers, wagons & turkey hats are welcome. All Turkey Trot proceeds benefit local families through the programs and services at LUM. [More](#).



Port of Hope (11/9)
[Port of Hope](#) is an evening fundraising event in support of the LUM Immigration Clinic. The event includes heavy appetizers from local restaurants, silent auction featuring items from around the world and entertainment by musicians from around the world. [More](#).



Jubilee Christmas (12/9)
LUM [Jubilee Christmas](#) serves over 600 families and 1800 children. Parents visit one of dozens of churches and shop for their children. In addition to the toys and clothes, each family also receives a ham and homemade cookies to make Christmas dinner special too. [More](#).

Other Important Dates

- January 28 - April 6 Tax Preparation Assistance Program. [More](#).
- February 1 - April 12 Spanish Conversation Tables. [More](#).
- February 28 - March 30 Citizenship Classes. [More](#).
- May 18 After School Program—Last Day. [More](#).
- May 22 5th Quarter Summer Learning Program—First Day. [More](#).
- August 4 5th Quarter Summer Learning Program—Last Day. [More](#).
- August 8 After School Program—First Day. [More](#).



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