

Support

St. Columba receives federal, local and foundation grants to sustain our programs. We are also supported through the generosity of numerous churches, businesses and individuals in our community. These groups provide financial and in-kind donations that allow us to continue to serve those who come to us in need.

Volunteer Opportunities

St. Columba has many opportunities for you or your group to get involved and give back to your community. From serving on our board to doing a special collection of food, clothing or hygiene products, we have something for you! Please visit our website at www.stcolumbaministries.com and select “Volunteers” or “Group Help” to learn more about our openings or call Alicia at 757-627-6748.

Donations

Financial donations can be made by check or on our website through PayPal. In-kind donations can be dropped off at our office Monday – Friday from 8 AM to 3 PM. We regret that we are unable to provide pick up service for donations.

Organization

St. Columba is a 501(c)3 nonprofit agency governed by a Board of Directors that meets monthly and represents participating communities, churches and individuals.

Staff

Director of Ministries
Assistant Director
Lead Case Manager
Case Manager
Homeless Advocate
Day Center Assistant

For More Information

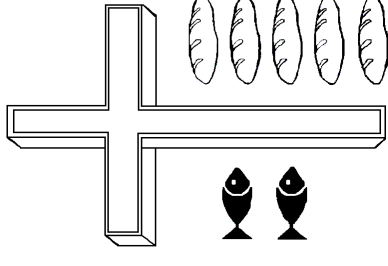
More information about any of our services, current needs, upcoming events and other news can be found on our website at: www.stcolumbaministries.com.

Facebook

St. Columba is on Facebook! Follow us to stay informed of our needs, events and successes.



St. Columba Ecumenical Ministries



Providing services to homeless and low-income individuals in our community.

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9:00 AM – 2:00 PM
Monday – Thursday

Appointments during other hours

Director of Ministries

Alicia Mathews

Mission

To operate an ecumenical ministry in response to the Biblical mandate to minister to persons in need, whether these needs are economic, social or spiritual.

The ministry is a direct, hands on ministry recognizing the integrity of individuals and working with them where they are. The ministry is indirect, working with churches and other organizations to establish activities and secure resources that address people's needs.

Heritage

With a Presbyterian heritage, in 1975 St. Columba Ministries began a social justice ministry to the low/poverty level income residents of Robin Hood Apartment complex.

In 1986 St. Columba Ecumenical Ministries became an ecumenical corporation reaching out to the poor and homeless in Norfolk and Virginia Beach.

St. Columba has been instrumental in forming the first family shelter in Norfolk, opening the first shelter in Virginia Beach and opening the first Homeless Day Center in our region.

Day Center

St. Columba operates a Day Center Monday – Thursday from 9 AM to 2 PM for homeless adults to have basic needs met. Guests can take a shower, get a cup of coffee and a sandwich and escape the elements. We also provide phone use and temporary mailing address, as well as referrals to other resources.

Other Services

St. Columba offers a variety of other services to homeless and low-income individuals. Our programs are limited by funding and eligibility requirements. If you are interested in any of the following, please call prior to coming to our office.

- Clothing Closet
- Work Boots & Coveralls
- Food Pantry
- ID Cards from DMV
- Bus Passes
- Rental Assistance
- Utilities Assistance
- Transitional Housing

All services require clients meet eligibility prior to being served. **Please call to verify eligibility and availability.**

Next Step Transitional Housing Program

Mission

To assist homeless, single adults through a continuum toward independence. Next Step creates an environment that recognizes and encourages the growth of an individual's skills, abilities, resources and spirituality and provides intensive support services, stable residence and case management.

Goals

- To help homeless single adults attain independent living in a safe, supportive, healthy environment.
- To create a supportive, caring community among the people involved in Next Step.
- To develop partnerships within the community, including St. Columba Ecumenical Ministries, the faith community, and other nonprofit organizations to help homeless persons in the movement towards self-sufficiency.
- To be part of the continuum of care in our community which meets the needs of homeless persons and works to eradicate homelessness.