

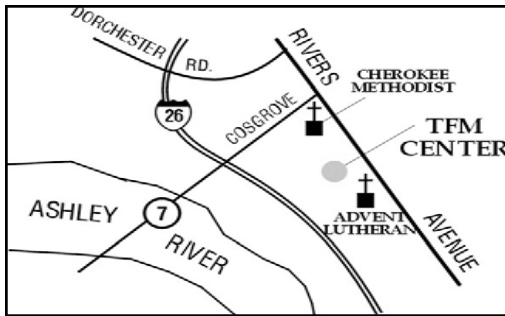
## Important Information:

Our Center, right, is a two-story building housing a kitchen and pantry, dining space, Storage space, and offices. A converted Garage behind the main building provides a clothes closet and a client intake area, while Advent Lutheran Church and Cherokee Place United Methodist Church provide additional program space. Our small apartment building that allows us to offer temporary housing is also nearby.



### Center hours:

- M-W-F: 8:30a.m.– 3:00 p.m.
- Lunch: served 11a.m.—1:00 p.m. M-W-F
- Healing Hands: Weds & Fri 10:00a.m.-\*2:00p.m (\*or until last patient is seen).



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## A glimmer of hope in a world of need.



*Many local families, teens and the elderly often go without food, clothing, medicine, shelter or any hope of a bright future.*

Tricounty Family Ministries is a nondenominational faith-based organization serving those in need in Charleston, Dorchester, and Berkeley counties with the support of the citizens of the Lowcountry and



Tricounty Family Ministries (TFM), is a nonprofit, non-denominational faith-based agency providing food, clothing, medical care, counseling, transportation, shelter and other vital services to the less fortunate in the greater Charleston area.

Founded in 1983 as a soup kitchen operation, our organization is a sign of hope in one of the poorer neighborhoods of North Charleston.

What a gift to be able to serve! In these hard economic times we have been able to provide wonderful food, clothing, prescriptions, health & spiritual advocacy, and financial assistance to our many families in need; and we are able to actually “hear” the voices of people most impacted by these desperate times.

Volunteers of all ages, walks of life, and religious affiliations work at our center reaching out to touch those with little or no resources. Local church youth groups and church groups from neighboring states have helped feed the hungry and repair our facilities; chefs from our fabulous restaurants participating in “Feed the Need” have served the hungry; Boy Scouts have picnic tables; and college students have conducted canned food drives. Volunteers come regularly to serve on the lunch line, drive food gathering trucks, and answer telephones.

The need has grown exponentially in these hard economic times, and because of this influx of need, we are seriously strapped with a shortage of canned goods and funds to fill the emergency grocery bags for our families.

Please reflect on how blessed YOU are and remember those who have so little. You can help break the cycle of poverty by helping the young and old alike with a hand up and a sense of worth as human beings.

## The Stuff that TFM is Made of... 2009 Statistics

Meals provided from our soup kitchen and emergency food pantry	325,000
Pounds of food donated and distributed to the hungry:	299,014
Individuals & families receiving clothing:	1,080
Individuals receiving medication & counseling assistance:	1,190
Volunteers who came to help:	2,495


**3.8 Million Meals have been Served to the Hungry since TFM first Opened its doors in 1983!!**

**At least 97% of our budget goes directly to our programs.**

**Approximately 900 people depend on our lunch line every week!**

**We offer services to anyone in need and all are provided at no cost, thanks to your generous monetary and volunteer support.**

**God’s love shines on our work every day. A genuine smile and a kind touch have brought comfort to thousands of desperate, dejected people who live or come into our community.**

MINISTRY	PROGRAMS	SERVICES
BASIC NEEDS	EMERGENCY FEEDING PROGRAM	SOUP KITCHEN; MEALS ON WHEELS; FOOD PANTRY
	CLOTHES HOUSE	CLOTHING ~ COATS ~ SHOES
LIFE CHANGING NEEDS	FAMILIES IN TRANSITION	RESIDENTIAL: LIFE COACHING; ADDICTIONS COUNSELING NON-RESIDENTIAL: LIFE COACHING; FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE; MEDICAL ASSISTANCE
	COMMUNITY NEEDS ASSISTANCE	FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR: HOUSEHOLD UTILITIES; RENT /MORTGAGE; TRANSPORTATION
INDIVIDUAL NEEDS	HEALING HANDS MINISTRY	PRESCRIPTION ASSISTANCE; MEDICARE /MEDICARE ENROLLMENT; DISABILITY ASSISTANCE; MEDICAL EDUCATION; MEDICAL HOME; CLINICAL OPPORTUNITIES
COMMUNITY NEEDS	OUTREACH	ADVOCACY; RESOURCE; EDUCATION; COMMUNITY SERVICE; COMMUNITY EVENTS; SCHOOLS, CHURCHES, COURT
 YOU CAN HELP!	BECOME A TRICOUNTY FAMILY MINISTRY SUPPORTER!	VOLUNTEER ~ YOUR TIME IS A WONDERFUL GIFT TO GIVE! MAKE A DONATION ~ TFM IS SUPPORTED BY GRANTS AND PRIVATE DONATIONS. YOUR GIFT WILL MAKE A DIFFERENCE! ORGANIZE A FOOD DRIVE ~ TFM IS ALWAYS IN NEED OF CANNED GOODS AND OTHER STAPLES FOR OUR PANTRY!