



GIVING FOR GOOD AUCTION GOOD SAMARITAN MINISTRIES

An online auction event to benefit Good Sam's Clearinghouse

WHAT IS GIVING FOR GOOD?

Giving For Good Auction is an online auction organized to raise support for Good Samaritan Ministries' Clearinghouse. The Clearinghouse connects families in need with people and places who can meet the need. The Clearinghouse depends entirely on local financial support of individuals, businesses and churches. The auction fundraising goal of \$10,000 is modest and will provide critical support to keep the Clearinghouse open and available to all.

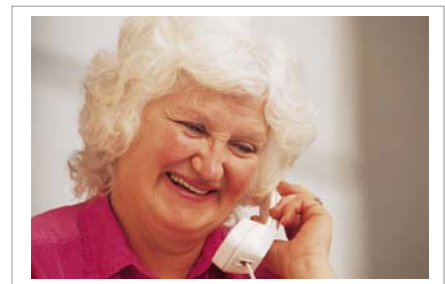
Good Samaritan Ministries is a faith-based organization founded in 1969 to engage the faith community in responding to social needs in the community including housing, employment, transportation, and disaster relief. Our vision remains helping the poor, building relationships and strengthening our community.

WHO WILL IT HELP?

The Clearinghouse – Our Community's Unique Solution

The Clearinghouse is the entry point for families in crisis who are seeking help. The Clearinghouse, staffed by volunteers, **responds to emergency and short-term needs** by linking families to churches, agencies and individuals who can help. The Clearinghouse responds to **over 4,000 requests each year**. Typical needs include transportation, home repair, short-term utility assistance, rent assistance, and a Care Closet ministry where people receive personal care and household cleaning products they cannot buy with food stamps.

Diane shares her experience in volunteering at the Clearinghouse *"She was so thankful for our kindness she was crying . . . the most rewarding part of volunteering are the big, beautiful smiles and tears . . . I enjoy working with people for a worthwhile cause."*



"Cindy" shares about her experience in connecting with Good Sam *"A year ago I just thought, 'what did I do so wrong to make all this happen to me?' and now I'm thinking 'what did I do right to make this happen?' Your program is heaven-sent. Without this, I just couldn't have made it! I simply can not express my gratitude!"*

WHAT CAN I DO?

There are three ways to support this effort:

1. Giving for Good **needs sponsors** to underwrite the cost of this event (see sponsor sheet). Your company name will be prominently displayed in the auction catalog with a link to your website. Your company name will be included in all promotional materials and be considered a community ministry partner.
2. Giving for Good **needs bid items** such as travel, recreation, personal services, home furnishings, electronics, jewelry and more. Organize as a group and receive recognition as a item sponsor. Complete the item donation form and receive a receipt for your donation.
3. Giving for Good **needs bidders** who believe in doing good by purchasing items to benefit families in their community.

WHEN & WHERE?

The auction will take place **April 12 – 25, 2010**. The ease of an online auction is the ability to participate from anywhere - your home, office or laptop. Visit www.goodsamministries.com or www.biddingforgood.com/auctions to view the auction catalog. There is no cost to sign up as a bidder. Bidders are notified when their bid has been passed or accepted.

At the close of the auction, Good Samaritan Ministries will notify the bidder and donor to make arrangements for the collection or delivery of the item or service.

QUESTIONS?

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