



## There are many opportunities to help!

SVdP is looking for volunteers for the following:

**SVdP Food Pantry** - We work the second Saturday of the month unless the Food Pantry is closed for a holiday weekend. The address is 3001 East 30th Street, we meet there at 8am and work till Noon. Contact Bill Sayre at 317-271-2853 for more information. We have immediate needs to fill the following additional volunteer positions:

- Client Intake:** Check clients in 8 am - noon Tues/Thurs/Fri/Sat - Basic computer skills needed (will train).
- Pantry:** Sort/repackage food, restock shelves Mon-Sat 8 am - noon. Assist shoppers Tues/Thurs/Fri/Sat 8 am - noon
- Drivers:** Deliver food to the home bound on Wednesdays. Two hours between 10:30 am and 6:00 pm. All routes must have two people. *We have clients on a waiting list due to lack of drivers.*
- Group Volunteer Coordinators:** Coordinate volunteer groups one Saturday a month 8 am - noon

**Beggars For The Poor** - "Fourth Saturday of the Month" - This activity **is** done on Holiday Weekends. We meet in the St. Chris parking lot at 7:30 am and get back about 10:30. The Coordinator is Ron Prusinski, he can be reached at 317-695-7522 or [prusinski6929@yahoo.com](mailto:prusinski6929@yahoo.com).

**SVdP Warehouse/Distribution Center** - Every 5 weeks +/- - This activity is **not** done on Holiday weekends - meet in the St. Chris parking lot at 7:30 - back about 12:30

- Donation Sorting:** Sort, hang, price and tag clothing and household donations. Monday-Saturday 9 am - 1 pm and 2 - 6pm. *Immediate needs - all shifts.*
- Dock Workers:** Assist clients and customers loading and unloading furniture and appliances. Monday-Saturday 10 am - 1 pm and 1 - 4pm. *Immediate needs - all shifts.*
- Donation Pickup:** Join the donation pickup crew on Saturdays from 7:30 am - 2 pm to drive SVdP trucks (no CDL required) to pick up donations, load and unload trucks. Special pick up crews Mondays and Wednesdays 8 am - 1 pm.



SVdP opened a resale store in October 2016. The store, Mission 27 Resale, is named in honor of St. Vincent de Paul's ministry to the poor and his feast day, September 27. It is a volunteer organization dedicated to serving the poor and disadvantaged, Mission 27 Resale is much more than a secondhand shop. It's a way to raise funds for two vital programs: the society's food pantries and its Changing Lives Forever program, which teaches people how to lift themselves out of poverty. Good things for good purpose - it's not just about giving new life to used items. It's about giving a better life to those in need.

### Volunteer opportunities at the Mission 27 Resale Store:

- **Store:** Shifts are Monday-Saturday 9 am - noon, noon - 3 pm, and 3-6pm. *Immediate needs - Wed-Sat afternoons.*
- **Referral Desk:** Client check in - basic computer skills needed (will train). Shifts are Monday-Saturday 10 am-1 pm and 1- 4pm. *Immediate needs - Wednesday-Saturday afternoons.*

**Location:** 1201 East Maryland Street

**Website:** <http://www.mission27resale.org/>

### **SVdP always needs donations:**

**Bikes** - Can be delivered to the SVdP Distribution Center, - M-S - 8-1. They are reconditioned and given to people who use them to get to work. 1201 East Maryland Street

**Vehicles:** To donate call [1-800-322-8284](tel:1-800-322-8284) - all \$\$\$ is returned to St. Chris.

**Furniture or appliances** - Please call SVdP donation line (687-1006) M-F 8:30 am-4:30 pm. The SVdP Distribution Center will accept units for checkout & repair regardless of condition.

**Dishes, pots, pans, & tableware** - These can be placed in the glass enclosure on the parking lot side of the school - please mark the items "SVdP".

**Beds** - Please contact Paul Guenin directly at 244-9731 or [padeceje2@aol.com](mailto:padeceje2@aol.com).

We are using a donation collection box for **clothing & shoes**, it's located between the School and the Garage next to the aluminum can collection bins. Its opening will only accommodate full "kitchen" sized bags not the full 55-gallon sized bags. Please do not use the glass enclosure on the parking lot side of the school.

If you would like more information on how you might be able to help please call or text Paul Guenin at 317-627-2309 or [padeceje2@aol.com](mailto:padeceje2@aol.com).



## Changing Lives Forever

Instead of constantly just giving things to people, let's continue to do our charity work, but let's add value to that, and give folks a way to literally change their lives. Many of our efforts involve helping people with short term solutions to their needs instead of helping to eliminate their need. One way to provide long term help is a learning opportunity called [Changing Lives Forever](#).

The program is a sixteen week class with twelve participants (Investigators). We hope to begin our third class soon. After the course, the "investigators" will be paired up with a mentor through the Indianapolis Trusted Mentor program for a year of additional advice and support.

We are in the process of recruiting "investigators" and hope to have 12 by the time the next program starts. If you know of anyone who might benefit from this program or if are interested in joining our core team, please call/text Paul Guenin at [317-627-2309](tel:317-627-2309), or [padeceje2@aol.com](mailto:padeceje2@aol.com).

We are in the process of developing a *core team* of people to assist in making meals for the classes, marketing the program, babysitting and recruiting mentors, etc. We also need sponsors in our community to financially support the program so that we can continue the work for years to come.

Do you have a willingness to help others, share skills, and knowledge? Do you have a positive attitude? Are you enthusiastic with strong Christian values? Can you provide constructive feedback and are you respectful? We are looking for people like you! We need Mentors for our next class of "investigators". Please consider becoming a mentor. Additional information on mentoring is available at - <http://trustedmentors.org>

**"Poverty doesn't only consist of being hungry for bread, but rather it is a tremendous hunger for human dignity."----Mother Teresa**

SVdP Help Line [317-687-0169](tel:317-687-0169), Donation Line [317-687-1006](tel:317-687-1006)  
[www.svdpindy.org](http://www.svdpindy.org)