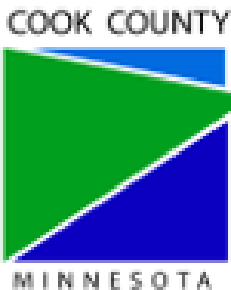


Mission of the Month

May 2020



The May Mission of the Month is the **Good Samaritan Fund** which is set up through **Cook County Public Health & Human Services (PHHS)**. This fund was established to assist community members who are seeking or receiving services from PHHS, but do not qualify for immediate aid by an established state or federal program. Donated funds will be used to purchase gift cards from local grocery and convenience stores to fill an otherwise unfunded gap. Often times, there is a delay in receiving benefits when a person applies for SNAP or unemployment. A gift card for groceries could provide a short-term solution for an individual and/or their family during a time of high stress and uncertainty.

These funds might also be used to support individuals and families PHHS is working with to prevent a crisis like homelessness, utility disconnect or out of home placement. Funds may be used to assist a foster family with a newly placed child in their care, and an unplanned increase in grocery and transportation costs, as well.

Please note "May MOM" on your donation. Thank you for caring for our neighbors in this unprecedented time of job insecurity and financial hardship. Our collective donations will make a difference in our community, providing comfort and hope to those in need.

Deep peace and good courage to all.
Jessica Markusen, on behalf of the
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