

PROVIDING HELP AND HOPE TO NEIGHBORS IN NEED

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ST. VINCENT de PAUL GEORGIA

With a mission to provide help and hope to neighbors in need, St. Vincent de Paul Georgia has been serving individuals, families and communities across the state since 1903, stabilizing those in crisis and creating paths to self-sufficiency.



WHO WE ARE

Founded in 1903 by a group of concerned parishioners in Atlanta, St. Vincent de Paul Georgia has grown over the past 119 years to become the oldest, largest and most trusted state-wide social services safety net organization in Georgia. St. Vincent de Paul Georgia operates a main support center in Chamblee with a full-time staff providing programs and services for neighbors in need. In addition, our 75 local service hubs across the state are staffed by 3,500+ trained volunteer caseworkers who make St. Vincent de Paul Georgia's critically-needed – yet otherwise unavailable – programs and services available and accessible to those most in need of them. Respecting the dignity of each person, St. Vincent de Paul Georgia serves neighbors in need across Georgia regardless of age, race, status, faith or orientation.

WHAT WE DO

Focusing on Hunger, Housing and Health, St. Vincent de Paul Georgia meets basic needs, removes barriers to stability and creates paths to self-sufficiency through direct services, education and empowerment to provide help and hope to neighbors in need in Georgia.

Our work addresses issues fundamental to stability, self-sufficiency and long-term success by:







St. Vincent de Paul Georgia provides a spectrum of safety net social services to give both immediate help and also hope for a self-sufficient future.



HOME VISITS

Our Home Visit is the heart of what we do at St. Vincent de Paul Georgia.

Visiting neighbors in need in their homes respects their dignity and provides a private setting so they can freely discuss their personal challenges.

During Home Visits, St. Vincent de Paul Georgia caseworkers conduct an initial assessment, collaborate with individuals and families to create actionable plans for removing barriers to stability and provide critically-needed services such as emergency financial assistance, food, clothing, prescription medication, transportation assistance and more.



COMMUNITY SUPPORT CENTERS

St. Vincent de Paul Georgia has two Community Support Centers to serve neighbors in need. Located in Chamblee and Lakewood (south Atlanta), program staff and caseworkers at our Community Support Centers provide a comprehensive menu of services including intake and assessment, emergency assistance, food pantries, pharmacy services, education programs and more.



WHERE WE WORK

From Blairsville to Brunswick, Lake Hartwell to LaGrange and everywhere in between, **St. Vincent de Paul Georgia provides help and hope to neighbors in need across Georgia.**



St. Vincent de Paul Georgia creates access to food to reduce food insecurity through food pantries, food recovery and distribution, nutrition education and more to ensure individuals and families in Georgia have food on the table and do not go hungry.



ACCESS TO FOOD IS A KEY DETERMINANT OF HOUSEHOLD STABILITY FOR LOW-INCOME FAMILIES.

Hunger can affect people from all walks of life. Many Georgians are one job loss or medical crisis away from food insecurity.

- More than half a million children in Georgia 1 in 7 are food insecure.
- In Georgia, 1,279,310 people are facing hunger.
- Children and seniors are at greatest risk of food insecurity in Georgia.
- The working poor, veterans and Georgians who live outside metro Atlanta are also at higher risk of food insecurity.

HOW WE FIGHT HUNGER



CLIENT-CHOICE FOOD PANTRIES

St. Vincent de Paul Georgia's 40 Client-Choice Food Pantries, located at our support centers in Chamblee and south Atlanta and local service hubs across the state, provide food assistance to over 115,000 food insecure households each year.

Our Food Pantries utilize a Client-Choice model with neighbors in need receiving food assistance able to select the food they want at no cost, choosing fresh produce, meat, baked goods and non-perishables. This Client-Choice model not only reduces food waste from unwanted food, but also reinforces the dignity of each person – a fundamental tenet of St. Vincent de Paul Georgia.

Neighbors in need can "shop" for food in-person at St. Vincent de Paul Georgia Food Pantries or choose home delivery service or curbside pick-up.



TEACHING KITCHEN + NUTRITION EDUCATION

The innovative St. Vincent de Paul Georgia Teaching Kitchen features semicommercial, energy-efficient appliances in a classroom-style space to provide nutrition education, cooking demonstrations and classes on healthy eating, feeding a family on a budget, cooking skills and more. Participants are able to prepare their own food with supplies from St. Vincent de Paul Georgia's Client-Choice Food Pantry and take home nutritious prepared meals.



FOOD RECOVERY + DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM

St. Vincent de Paul Georgia's Food Recovery + Distribution Program is essential for stocking our Client-Choice Food Pantries. Through partnerships with Kroger, Aldi, Sam's Club and others, our Food Recovery + Distribution Program recovers food from grocery retail partner locations, including fresh produce, meat, baked goods and non-perishables. This recovered food stocks our 40 Client-Choice Food Pantries across the state.

Each month, the Food Recovery + Distribution Program recovers over 25 tons of food, preventing millions of dollars in food waste per year. St. Vincent de Paul Georgia operates a large warehouse at our main support center in Chamblee complete with industrial walk-in refrigerators and freezers, storage and sorting areas, and maintains a fleet of trucks and experienced drivers on staff for program operation and service delivery.



SNAP BENEFITS ASSISTANCE

St. Vincent de Paul Georgia provides Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits eligibility screening and enrollment assistance to low-income individuals and families to ensure that at-risk and vulnerable households have access to sufficient nutritious, healthy food and do not go hungry.



St. Vincent de Paul Georgia increases housing stability through eviction prevention, rehousing and transitional housing programs and housing services for at-risk individuals and families.



STABLE HOUSING IS A KEY DETERMINANT IN ACHIEVING AND MAINTAINING SELF-SUFFICIENCY FOR LOW-INCOME FAMILIES.

- In Georgia, 542,000 renters 23% of all renters in the state are not caught up on rent.
- In Georgia, 2,308,000 adults 33% of all adults in the state have difficulty covering basic household expenses.
- Low-income households are more likely than other renters to sacrifice other necessities like healthy food and healthcare to pay the rent, and to experience unstable housing situations like evictions.
- People who are in unstable housing situations such as those who need to move multiple times in a year or have difficulty paying rent face poorer health outcomes than people with stable housing.







HOW WE INCREASE HOUSING STABILITY



EMERGENCY RENT, MORTGAGE AND UTILITY ASSISTANCE

St. Vincent de Paul Georgia provides emergency financial assistance for rent, mortgage and utilities to individuals and families at risk of eviction who meet eligibility and income criteria.



MOTEL 2 HOME

Motel 2 Home is a comprehensive rehousing program designed to help individuals and families move from extended-stay motels into stable housing. Extended-stay motels have become the homeless shelters of the suburbs for many families. Even though most of them are working full-time, they often have no other alternative after experiencing an eviction because most property owners will not rent to a tenant with an eviction record. They move in thinking it will be a temporary solution, but become trapped as high daily and weekly fees and local motel taxes leave them little money to save for paying off debt or paying deposits on a new apartment.



TRANSITIONAL HOUSING

House of Dreams

House of Dreams is a Transitional Housing program for homeless women without children who are willing and able to change their own lives and become self-sufficient. Located in Smyrna, GA, House of Dreams provides shelter, life and work skills classes, job assistance and more.

St. Michael's House

St. Michael's House is a Transitional Housing program for homeless women with young children who are willing and able to change their lives and become self-sufficient. Located in Woodstock, GA, St. Michael's House provides shelter, meals, employment assistance, financial education classes and more.



TEMPORARY HOUSING

St. Vincent de Paul Georgia provides temporary housing in hotels or shelters and assistance with moving or storage of personal items when eviction cannot be avoided.



HOUSING REFERRALS + RESOURCES

St. Vincent de Paul Georgia provides referrals to partner agencies for housing services and resources such as housing counseling, tenant legal aid, shelters, homeless assistance and more.



ST. VINCENT de PAUL GEORGIA **COMMUNITY PHARMACY**

St. Vincent de Paul Georgia provides healthcare access, services and no-cost prescription medication to low-income, uninsured and/or underinsured and vulnerable individuals who reside in the state of Georgia.



WHAT WE DO

St. Vincent de Paul Georgia Community Pharmacy provides wellness education and fills prescriptions for maintenance medications to treat conditions such as:

- Diabetes
- Arthritis
- Asthma
- High blood pressure
- Cardiovascular disease

- High cholesterol
- COPD
- Mental health conditions
- Other chronic conditions

WHO WE ARE

St. Vincent de Paul Georgia Community Pharmacy is a fully-licensed charitable pharmacy staffed by a full-time, licensed pharmacist and technicians.

CONTACT

Physicians, pharmacists, caseworkers and patients can contact St. Vincent de Paul Georgia Community Pharmacy at pharmacyapplication@svdpgeorgia.org.

To submit a application visit: svdpgeorgia.org/PHARMACY









FILLING PRESCRIPTIONS IS QUICK & EASY

Go to svdpgeorgia.org/PHARMACY to complete and submit the online pharmacy eligibility application.

Three ways to receive your prescription medication:



DICK IIP

Prescription pick up at the St. Vincent de Paul Georgia Community Pharmacy at 2050 Chamblee Tucker Road, Atlanta, GA 30341



NFI IVFRY

Free prescription medication delivery within 20 miles of St. Vincent de Paul Georgia Community Pharmacy Atlanta, GA 30341



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Free shipping of prescription medications across Georgia through a partnership with UPS

GET INVOLVED TODAY

ADDITIONAL HEALTH SERVICES

St. Vincent de Paul Georgia provides a complement of health and wellness services and resources.

HEALTH EDUCATION

Workshops, classes, activities, disease prevention, disease management, healthy lifestyles and nutrition education to empower individuals to take control of their health

OVER-THE-COUNTER MEDICATIONS

No-cost over-the-counter medications to treat common ailments such as headaches, cough, colds, cuts and scrapes

MEDICAL BILLS ASSISTANCE

Financial assistance to help pay for medical bills

MEDICAL EQUIPMENT

No-cost medical equipment such as wheelchairs, walkers, crutches, shower chairs and other essential medical devices

MEDICAID ENROLLMENT ASSISTANCE

Eligibility screening and enrollment assistance for Medicaid benefits

HEALTH SERVICES REFERRALS

Referrals for low-to-no cost primary healthcare services and resources

OUR PARTNERS









