

## HOW TO GET INVOLVED:

### ***Find us on the web:***

www.facebook.com/livonia.cares  
Livoniacares.org

***Join our e-mail list*** to receive periodic updates about upcoming meetings, events, and important community alerts. Send your name and e-mail address to [bheaton@mi.rr.com](mailto:bheaton@mi.rr.com)

### ***Attend a Meeting:***

Meetings will occur monthly. Location TBD. Contact Bill Heaton at 734 812-2031

### ***Join the Referral Program:***

Please contact Bill Heaton ([bheaton@mi.rr.com](mailto:bheaton@mi.rr.com)) for an information packet and referral forms.

## ***Make a Donation:***

Send your generous donation to:  
The Salvation Army– Dearborn Heights  
c/o Colleen Dahl  
26700 Warren Road  
Dearborn Heights, MI 48127

### **Make checks payable to: The Salvation Army**

On the memo line include: **Livonia Cares** along with the date (mm/yy).

In addition to monetary donations, non food items such as paper products and personal care items are always needed.

President



Vice President

Pastor Scott Sessler  
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34567 Seven Mile Road  
Livonia, MI 48152  
248-442-8822



Secretary

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734-812-2031  
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Annual membership dues are \$25.00. Please make checks payable to: **Livonia Cares** and send to:

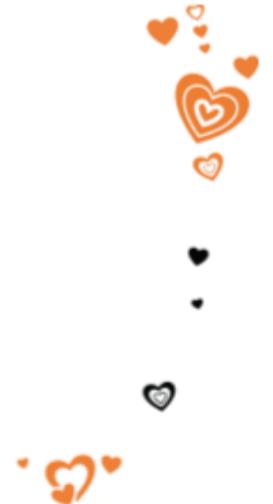
**Livonia Cares**  
**c/o St. Matthew's United Methodist Church**  
**30900 Six Mile Road**  
**Livonia, MI 48152**

Dues will cover paper, postage, printing, etc.

# LIVONIA CARES



A  
Collaboration  
of Churches,  
Social  
Service  
Agencies, &  
City of Livonia  
services who  
provide to  
persons in  
need in our  
community.



# WHO WE ARE

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Formed in 2011, Livonia Cares is a group of more than 20 local churches and agencies. Inspired by Christ's call to serve the poor, this ecumenical group of Catholic, Orthodox, Protestant, Evangelical churches and community organizations fosters an understanding and cooperation to address the poverty issues in our community.

Monthly meetings are held at rotating locations. All are welcome to attend.



*Livonia Cares  
is at work in  
our community*



## LIVONIA CARES ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Livonia Cares was founded in 2011. In 2012, the Livonia Cares Assistance Program was developed. This action was precipitated by a variety of federal, state, and local decisions that produced a substantial reduction in social service agency funds. Heating assistance and other financial emergencies were impacted. There were more than 2,000 at risk Livonia residents from homelessness to utilities shut-offs in 2013/2014.

Livonia Cares partners with The Salvation Army located in Dearborn Heights. Together they provide emergency assistance to Livonia families experiencing need. Livonia Cares participating churches/agencies refer in-need residents to The Salvation Army. A skilled case worker meets and assesses each referred client.

By the summer of 2014, the assistance program had collected over \$33,000 in donations. As the Livonia Cares Assistance Program grows, it is in need of ongoing financial support to meet the needs of our community. In 2014, the program assisted 37 families in preventing utility shut-offs and evictions totaling more than \$9,000.

In addition to the Livonia Cares funds, The Salvation Army also connects clients with other resources to help put them on a path to long-term self sufficiency. It is the intent of the program to provide a one time grant thus allowing Livonia Cares to assist as many people as possible.

The mission of The Salvation Army is to preach the gospel of Jesus Christ and to meet human needs in His name without discrimination.

The Salvation Army, an international movement, is an evangelical part of the Christian Church. Established in London in 1865, it has been supporting those in need in His name without discrimination for more than 130 years in the United States. Today, the Army's religious and social service activities serve millions of men, women, and children in more than 108 nations around the world. 82 cents of every dollar that The Salvation Army spends is used to support those services in 5,000 communities nationwide. Volunteers, contributors, and other supporters make those services possible in local communities.

For more information go to:  
[www.salvationarmyusa.org](http://www.salvationarmyusa.org)

