

The mission of the United Methodist Appalachian Ministry Network is to advocate for Appalachia within the structure of the United Methodist Church, working to identify and implement solutions that address the systemic causes of community and environmental

issues in Appalachia through leadership development and collaboration with ministries and organizations that serve the region.

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Since 1972, UMAMN has funded hundreds of ministries that focus on the root causes of poverty as well as putting food into hungry bellies. Thanks to support from people like you, UMAMN has touched the lives of thousands of people in Appalachia.

Since COVID:19, UMAMN has provided twelve 'Emergency Hunger and Poverty Grants' These agencies received \$500 in relief funds. Food pantries, cancer patient nutritional programs, backpack programs, and community garden projects have been able to keep up with the

increase in clients.



From Minerva UMC Food Pantry, Minerva, Ohio (UMAMN 'Hunger and Poverty' Grant Receipt 2020). "The neighborhoods that are pockets of poverty are less likely to be places where information and resources are shared. Connecting people with the help that is available has got to be intentional, with a sensitive ear for the particular culture of the Appalachian poor, To that end, we have been working for two years to build our connections with our clients and through their preferred ways of gathering news; social media, phone alerts and the schools, and through personal visits and presence in areas of high poverty. The most recent distribution saw an increase of about 100 households from what they would have expected in April."

Campaign. We are looking for 85 people to help us build our ministries by pledging to give \$25 a month for 1 year. (Total \$300/yr.) This is building for the future of UMAMN to continue to support the many ministries that are reaching out in God's love throughout Appalachia. Please consider pledging to this campaign. This campaign will last for 2 years leading into our 50th Anniversary in 2022 with a goal of \$50,000.

