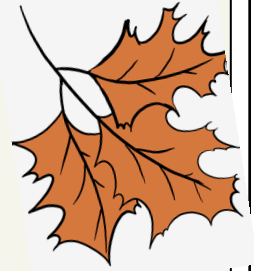




# ICAN Assistance Center\* and Clothing Closet



UPDATE : FALL 2021

### YTD Report:

Visitors to ICAN  
& ICAN Clothing  
Closet: 379

Phone calls/  
emails taken:145

Clothing needs  
met: 218

Bus passes or  
financial gifts  
shared: 61

With YOUR help!

**\*ICAN—Irvington  
Community Advocacy  
Network  
Assistance Center  
ICAN is on Facebook  
Visit for regular  
Updates!**



**\*A ministry of IAM  
(Irvington Association  
of Ministers)**

### FALL BRINGS COLORFUL CHANGE

“How did we get to October so quickly?” Have you been asking this question, too? The ICAN Clothing Closet just brought out the Fall/Winter clothing “line”...but it seems we just put the Spring/Summer “line” out! Indy’s Summer went out with a blast of heat, and Fall came in with a drenching rain this year. Change is inevitable and being WELL prepared for what the future holds is not realistically possible, but more so for those who struggle to make their daily needs met.

Thanks to so many generous donors, ICAN

Assistance Center and Clothing Closet has been able to be prepared to help those who are challenged in meeting their daily needs



for nearly 25 years. The ICAN Food Pantry has an even longer history.

The needs are still out there, Families and individuals struggling to keep afloat during these strange times. A big part of the ICAN Assistance Center

program has been to help direct individuals to potential job leads, to give them that hand up. The bus ticket program that ICAN has had allows the new employee to get started on getting to that new job. Having the right clothing on hand in the Closet has helped to dress many new employees for those first weeks on the new job. The financial outreach has allowed ICAN to assist in keeping a roof over the potential new employees’ heads, too.

Thank you for being a part of this outreach to the Irvington community and beyond for so many years!

### FALL—SEASON OF CHANGE & CHANGES COMING TO ICAN

I love the hint of coolness in the air & the leaves beginning to be tipped with the color that makes Fall delightful. I get nostalgic in the Fall, as I prepare for the coming holidays...but more so this Fall, as I think about how quickly the last 10

Octobers have passed while working with ICAN!!

I’ve been blessed to be a part of this outreach for the past 10 years. 2021 will be my last year as Program Director with ICAN. Along with my retirement there

will be changes to the ICAN Assistance Center and Clothing Closet program.

The pastors and priests of IAM, who oversee ICAN, are working on my replacement and how ICAN will look come 2022. Stay tuned to learn more!

## HOW CAN YOU HELP? Keep Reading....

### ICAN Clothing Closet\*

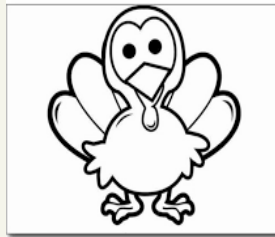
#### CURRENT Donations—limited needs:

- ⇒ Men's underwear sizes Large & Medium
- ⇒ Women's new underwear, sizes: 8 & socks & leggings - NOTHING else needed
- ⇒ Shampoos

**(Drop off during Clothing Closet hours or contact ICAN for another time\*)**

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**2022 will see changes in the Clothing Closet operation—stay tuned for update before the end of 2021.**



### LOCAL FOOD PANTRIES:

#### ICAN Food Pantry

@ Downey Avenue Christian Church  
111 S. Downey Avenue, Indpls. 46219

**OPEN: Thursdays 1-3 pm—46219 ONLY**

Pantry Info: **317-936-9639**

**AND**

**Emerson Ave. Baptist Church's Pantry**

308 N. Emerson Ave., Indpls., 46219

**NEW Food Pantry days/hours:**

**4th Tuesday (once a month) 3/4 pm**

Email: [eabfoodpantry@gmail.com](mailto:eabfoodpantry@gmail.com)

**DONATIONS NEEDED – contact either pantry directly with questions**

**Reflections** on my time with ICAN revolve around people, of course! ICAN Assistance Center & Clothing Closet exists to help people—to help people in the community in need. We've shared our blessings with people, as the Lord asked us do in Matthew 25:35-40. But, it is people who have helped me in my role as Program Director to help people. ICAN could not help people without other people donating. I've been blessed to distribute the blessings shared with ICAN...the blessings of financial gifts, clothing donations, personal care items, school supplies, bedding linens, shoes, Christmas gifts to kids, and more were made available to ICAN because of the generosity of people through the years. And, the gift of time of people who volunteered with me through the years have been important in keeping ICAN going. Without these people, the outreach would not be possible. The friendships I've made through the years have become precious gifts, an unexpected part of this work. God bless you **ALL** in the years ahead!! **THANK YOU!!**

#### HOURS & LOCATIONS OF ICAN ASSISTANCE CENTER PROGRAMS:

##### ICAN Service Hours

##### OFFICE:

**Mon., Tues., & Thurs. 9:30-11:30 AM**

@ Irvington United Methodist Church  
30 N. Audubon, Indpls., IN 46219

**PHONE: 317-322-9645**

**[icancenterindy@gmail.com](mailto:icancenterindy@gmail.com)**

##### \*ICAN Clothing Closet

**Tues. 1-2:30 pm & Fri. 10-11:30 am**

**NOT 1st Fridays**

@ Emerson Avenue Baptist Church  
308 N. Emerson Ave., Indpls., IN 46219

ICAN services are open to any in need during the posted hours. No referrals are necessary to access ICAN.

**CLOSED Wednesdays, holidays & emergencies.**

Boundary limits ONLY for financial/transportation assistance. Referrals are made to other community programs if a visitor is out of ICAN financial aide boundaries

**ICAN Clothing Closet - ANYONE in need may visit.**

**Rosie Butler, MA, LSW**

**Program Director**

Financial gifts NEEDED for Assistance Center - make checks payable:

**ICAN c/o IAM \*** (\*tax deductible)

**@ Irvington United Methodist Church**

**30 N. Audubon**

**Indianapolis, IN 46219**

