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2023 DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

Twenty twenty-two was a challenging and rewarding year for the IOW Christian Outreach Program. COP increased their client base by several hundred families and provided more services than in previous years. In recognition of COP's dedication to their mission, the community voted it "Best Community Service Organization" and "Best Local Cause" in Isle of Wight County.

All of our programs have continued to grow. As you can see from the program descriptions in this brochure COP has reached all segments of the county from infants to the elderly. None of the services could have been provided without the dedicated volunteers that gave of their time and abilities to help the needy. Of course, the support provided by the community in the form of money, food donations and encouragement is also key to the success of our mission, "To help the poor, the needy and the sick in Isle of Wight County."

Please consider a donation of your time or money. A few hours or a few dollars a month can make all the difference in keeping our doors open. Visit our website: <https://iowcop.net> to learn more about our programs, how to volunteer and how to make on-line donations. A one time donation can be made using the enclosed envelope.

*On behalf of the Board of Directors and the volunteers of the Christian Outreach Program, thank you.
Owen R. Rowlands, Executive Director*



2022 Annual Report

Since 1991, this 100% volunteer organization has dedicated itself to an ever-increasing level of service to those who need us most. We now manage 8 different programs in addition to our original food program



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COP Mission Statement

To help the poor, needy and sick of Isle of Wight County

Our Programs

Emergency Services- Working with IOW Social Services as well as area churches, clients are assisted with rent, utility bills, and prescription costs. In 2022, over 100 clients were helped with these costs, with nearly \$10,000 in donor dollars spent

Dental - One hundred fifty-three clients were provided dental treatment, including cleanings, extractions, partial and full dentures, etc., with over \$29,000 in donor dollars spent

Home Repair - Our Home Repair team worked hard in 2022 to assist 27 clients with ramps, floor and door repairs or replacements, roof repair, electrical and plumbing issues and other necessary repairs. Around \$26,000 was spent on these repairs



Food for Thought - This amazing team of "literacy angels" distributed 3488 books in addition to keeping 11 Little Lending Libraries stocked! Literary partnerships were established with IOWC Public Schools and Social Services, Western Tidewater Infant and Toddler Connection, Smithfield Library, and are currently an active Community Partner with the Dolly Parton Imagination Library Program

Diaper Distribution
Nearly 30,000 baby and adult diapers were handed out in 2022 in addition to wipes, formula, cribs, and other donated baby items. We served an average of 150 families per month



Food Program - by far our largest program, we served an average of 400 families per month in 2022 - both distributing food from our facility and delivering to homebound clients. We also "rescued" 143,102 lbs of food from local grocery stores



Major Donors

**Obici Healthcare Foundation
Isle of Wight County
United Way of South Hampton Roads
Town of Smithfield
Edwards Charitable Foundation**

Additional Programs

Hog Jog

This is a challenging 5k run through downtown Smithfield and the surrounding countryside to raise funds for IOW Christian Outreach



Souper Saturday

With the help of local businesses, churches, clubs and individuals, we raise funds through this event for IOW Social Services to help folks with heating/cooling costs.

Angel Tree

With the help of our generous community, this annual program provides Christmas gifts to local seniors 65+ who would otherwise not receive gifts

