

## Why We Do It

Open Door has been a beacon of hope for the community since 1967.

We believe in ministering to the physical, social, and spiritual needs of all who seek refuge at Open Door.

One in eight people in America is hungry, or food insecure. In Detroit, there are over 18,000 homeless people in need of shelter on any given night.

We have always depended on the help of others to do this important work. Together, we can make a difference.



## How You Can Help

**You** can help by volunteering, donating food, toiletries, etc. or contributing a tax-deductible monetary gift.

We accept checks, credit card, or cash. You may donate by sending a personal check in the mail, or simply donate online at [www.fortstreet.org](http://www.fortstreet.org)

The Open Door is a ministry of Fort Street Presbyterian Church, and is a tax-exempt 501C3 status. If you have questions, or need more information, call the Open Door Director at 313-961-4533, x107.

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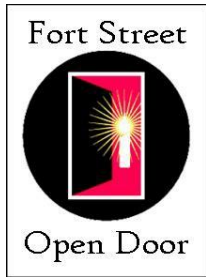


# Fort Street's Open Door



*All are welcome at the table!*

## Who We Are



Hope can change lives. Fort Street Presbyterian Church's Open Door program has been a beacon of hope to Detroit Residents

since the ministry began in 1967.

What began as a weekly coffee hour for seniors is now a weekly meal service for hundreds of hungry people – and a connection to multiple resources and services.

We believe every guest who visits us is entitled to dignified and respectful service. We aspire to provide nourishment to those who are hungry, both physically and emotionally.

Open Door is a valuable ministry of our church, and an important resource for the downtown Detroit community. We believe we can make a difference in someone's life by providing kind, compassionate care.

*"If you pour yourself out for the hungry and satisfy the desire of the afflicted, then shall your light rise in the darkness and your gloom be as the noonday." Isaiah 58:10*

## What We Do

Each week, nearly 200 visitors come through Open Door for a warm meal, support services, and fellowship with others. Our services include:

- **Hot Meal Service**— Every Thursday (9-11 am), a freshly prepared (scratch-cooked) meal is served by volunteers to our guests. Hot showers and clothing is also available. Women can shower at 7:30 am; Men at 9 am)
  - Every Wednesday (Nov–April), 11 am-1 pm, guests are invited in for hot soup, bread, fellowship, and a movie.
- **Clothing**— Every Tuesday, (12-2 pm) we assist referred individuals with work-appropriate clothing as they prepare for, or begin, new jobs. We also assist hundreds of people with casual clothing, and weather appropriate outerwear.
- **Referral**—Staff and volunteer service providers are on site offering guests medical advice and referrals to other professional services for



counseling, emergency housing and substance abuse treatment. We are part of the continuum of care efforts in Detroit.

- **Medical Services**—Monthly medical clinics are provided through a partnership with **Detroit Street Medicine**, a volunteer program through Wayne State University Medical School.

Last year, Open Door served more than 11,000 meals to our guests. In addition, thousands of men and women came for weekly hot showers and clean clothes. Many received career clothing from the Clothing Closet, and a variety of wrap-around services such as health check-ups, dental checks, employment counseling, and housing assistance.