**MEMPHIS NEEDS YOU**

Many of our neighbors continue to struggle to make ends meet, so members of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul in Memphis are doing what they can to help families in need in our community. Every day, SVdP volunteers bring emergency food, provide medical or prescription cost assistance, rent assistance to prevent eviction and help to restore utilities or prevent cut-off.

**DID YOU KNOW?**

- One in five Memphians live in poverty according to the 2010 census.
- Memphis was rated the hungriest city in America in a Gallup survey in 2010.
- The Gallup survey found that 26% of Memphians were unable to feed their families at some point over the past twelve months.
- The unemployment rate in Memphis and the 8 surrounding counties was 9.4% in January, 2012.

**THE GOOD NEWS:**

- You can make a difference with your tax deductible donation.
- Every dollar raised feeds two people for a day.

**WE OWN IT BUT IT NEEDS A NEW ROOF!**

Pictured above is our new food mission at 1306 Monroe. We are moving our operations and should be up and running at this location by September 2012. Our current location will remain open as we do our renovations. We plan to eventually expand our ministries beyond the food mission to assist clients with educational and spiritual information.

**QUESTIONS ABOUT FRIENDS OF THE POOR WALK/RUN?**

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**SPONSORSHIP PAMPHLET**

**FRIENDS OF THE POOR WALK/RUN**

Saturday, September 29, 2012
Christian Brothers High School Track
5900 Walnut Grove Rd.
10:00 am

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YOUR SPONSORSHIP OF THE FRIENDS OF THE POOR WALK/RUN®, HELPS US HELP OTHERS!

The Friends of the Poor Walk/Run® raises funds for the operation of the St. Vincent de Paul Food Mission, located in midtown Memphis. Every day, the Food Mission serves lunch to 150 - 225 men, women and children. Our dedicated volunteers come from many faiths, ages and backgrounds, with the common calling to respond to God’s call to feed the hungry. The Food Mission welcomes the poor and homeless, who find food, friendship and compassion when they need it. This important work would not be possible without the donation of time by volunteers and the generosity of walkers and sponsors.

Our goal is to raise enough funds to provide over 75,000 meals to the poor in the coming year. Additional funding will be used to expand our outreach to the poor by providing assistance with utilities, rent, and other basic needs. With your assistance we can reach this goal.

Please consider sponsoring the Friends of the Poor Walk/Run®. All sponsorships of $250 or more will be recognized on The Banner of Honor displayed on the day of the Walk/Run at the Christian Brothers High School Track. Gold and Platinum Sponsors will have their own Banners of Honor displayed.

SPONSORSHIP LEVELS:

- **Platinum:** $2,500
- **Gold:** $1,000
- **Silver:** $500
- **Bronze:** $250
- **Other:** _______

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