

Kearney First UMC East Lawn Missions



Located at East Lawn #342
A ministry dedicated to making
people's lives better and more
productive.


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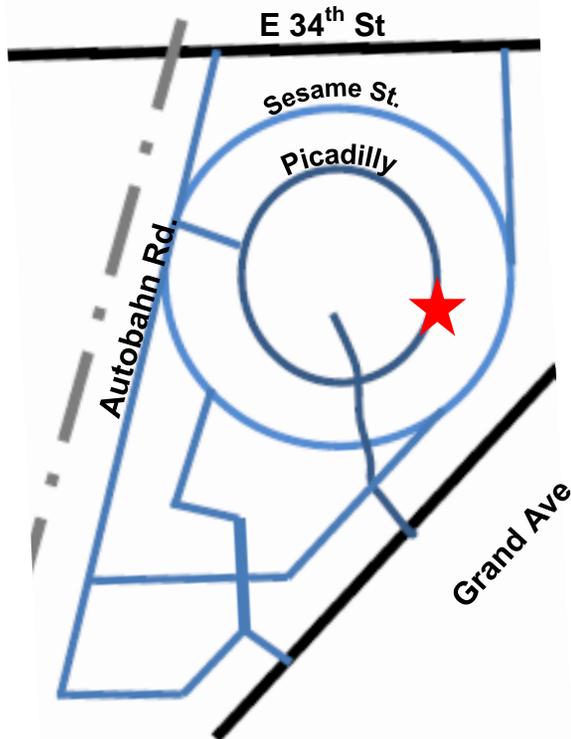
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Where is it located?

The facility is located in
East Lawn Mobile Home Estates
2800 Grand Ave. #342



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About the Food Pantry

The food pantry is an outreach ministry of Kearney First UMC's mission committee. The program began June of 2011 in conjunction with other ministries in the mobile home park. The facility was remodeled and maintained by the church and volunteers. Cold storage was donated as well.

Where's the food from?

The food provided to the pantry is primarily from grocery stores and businesses in Kearney. Some current providers are Apple Market, Sunmart and Boogarts. During the summer months, the Farmer's Market shares some of the excess produce as well.

Other donations are welcome from meal functions that have left over food, baked items from individuals, garden produce from individual gardens, items cleaned out of cupboards.

Other business or private sources of food items need to be obtained to meet the demand at the pantry. If you can help with that endeavor, please contact the church office.

Who operates the pantry?

Overall supervision of the pantry is through a separate committee of the missions committee. The food pantry ad-hoc committee is made up of volunteers who have a passion for mission work at the local level. Many of the volunteers have other experiences of mission work outside of Nebraska and into foreign countries.

The food pantry is strictly a volunteer mission through the church with no government support of any type.

Who uses the pantry?

We provide food for 30 to 40 families each day the pantry is open reaching 700 individuals a month. The pantry is open two days each week for 2 hours each day or until food is depleted. If additional fresh produce is left, it is donated to Crossroads Mission of Kearney.



More than just food

Another service provided is clothing. Clothing for all ages are accepted along with shoes, belts and purses. Because we do not have a facility to house a large inventory, excess clothing is taken to other agencies.



What's still needed?

There is always a need for more donations of food and funds to purchase non-perishable items. Most of the food provided by the grocery stores consists of fresh fruit and vegetables. On occasion, some dairy products are provided but not in adequate supply.

What can I give?

Donations can be made at the church anytime with a note "Food Pantry". All donations are welcome but our main needs include:

- canned goods
- meats
- cereal
- breads
- cake mixes
- dry milk
- pasta
- bar soap
- bathroom tissue
- toothpaste
- paper towels
- Deodorant
- Laundry Soap



