Reaching Out Saint John Presbytery Outreach Story

In the following pages, you will see a complete listing of the outreach work the United Church does within Saint John Presbytery.

WHY?

The Church in Action committee saw a need in Saint John Presbytery to communicate to each pastoral charge all the outreach work that is done through the charges in a local as well as global setting. Too often our committee finds information does not get distributed to the people in the pews. The intent of this document is to inform everyone of all the important outreach work done by Saint John Presbytery Charges.

HOW TO USE THIS INFORMATION

It is our hope when you read Reaching Out you will be enthused by and remain faithful to all the work we do. You will see that the work done by the charges has been separated into three categories: Church Family, Community and Nationally/Globally. This easy to read format will quickly give you a picture of the work done by specific charges in specific areas.

Our intention is two fold. First, we trust you will appreciate all the initiatives Saint John Presbytery Charges take part in, and affirm our commitment to being the hands and feet of Christ. Secondly, we hope that this document will allow people to seek out new initiatives in which they may like to become involved. The last half of Reaching Out lists the agencies mentioned and a short description of their work. Perhaps this document will inspire congregations to work together on common interests and make it possible for like minded people to work together, across Saint John Presbytery. We see where youth may want to band together from several churches and take an interest in one of the many programs mentioned in Reaching Out. The possibilities are limited only by your imagination.

This document is a living document and as such will be updated from time to time. Please refer to it often to see what new initiatives are undertaken by our charges. To have changes updated on the website just send a note of kimbalh@nbnet.nb.ca

Whom shall I send? Here I am Lord.

CHARGE	CHURCH FAMILY	COMMUNITY	NATIONALLY/GLOBALLY
Andrew Donald C	harge		
St.Andrews		Makes soup for Romero House monthly Sometimes gives extra to AIDS Saint John Supports KV and Hampton Food Banks Supports United Church Clothing Depot Contributes to Coverdale Christmas appeal Host Men's Coffee Hour 1 Member bakes weekly for AIDS Saint John Supports Program Fund Operates KVUCS:a 16 unit apartment complex	Supports Mission and Service Fund
Salina	Soup outreach to seniors and shut-ins twice a year	Community Benevolent Fund responds to local families in need Supports Hampton Food Basket	
Southfield	Delivers roses on Valentines Day Christmas care boxes to ShutIns	Supports Sussex Sharing Club	Supports Samaritan Christmas Shoe Boxes

Apohaqui/Norton/ Kings Kirk		
Kings Kirk Church	Supports United Church Clothing Depot Supports Sussex Sharing Club	Supports Mission and Service Fund
	Supports Sussex Pregnancy Crises Center Benevolent Funds aids those with hardships in the Supports Program Fund	
Silas James Memorial Church	Supports Sussex Vale Transition House Supports Crosswinds in Sussex Supports Sussex Health Centre Supports Sussex Sharing Club Supports United Church Clothing Depot	Supports Red Cross Supports Mission and Service Fund
St. Andrews Church	Supports United Church Clothing Depot Supports Sussex Sharing Club Supports Sussex Pregnancy Crises Center Supports Sussex Early Intervention Center	Supports Red Cross Supports Canadian Bible Society Supports Mission and Service Fund

Carleton Kirk	Assist Lodge residents to Sunday		
United Church	Services	Supports United Church Clothing Depot	Supports various relief efforts
	Senior Lunch Program	Support Westside Food Bank	Supports Samaritan Christmas Shoe Boxes
	Records Sunday Services for Shut-Ins	Support St. Patrick's School Pal's Program Supports Seafarer's Mission Host an Alzheimer Coffee Party Supports a Mitten Tree Supports Program Fund Purchased Christmas Dinners for families	Supports the Mission and Service Fund
		Knits baby hats and caps for Hospital Auxiliary Supports Outreach Programs at Lodge and Complex	

OUTREACH STORY

Centenary-Queens	•
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Square United Church

Supplies a small food cupboard

Provides support, pastoral counseling and advocacy around issues of gender identity and

sexual orientation

Supports Mission and Service Fund

Provides space for community groups to

meet

Provides support pastoral counseling and financial assistance to persons needing help with food, prescriptions, rent, extraordinary requests

Supports Community Food Basket

Supports Program Fund

Provides bus tokens

Advocates for economic justice including Coalition

Supports Salvation Army Men's Residence

Supports PRO Kids

Supports Coverdale Centre for Women

Supports AIDS Saint John

Supports Centenary-Queens Square Care Centres

Purchases Christmas Hampers Supports Needle Exchange Program

Glen View United	Applying to become a Green Church Provides space of Community Groups Celebration Church	Supports the East Side Food Bank Provides drives to the Food Bank Establishing a Coupon Ministry	Supports the Mission and Service Fund
	Held Celebrate Stewardship Campaign	Supports families though Christmas Exchange Works with Telephone Pioneers and other agencies Partners with East Branch Library	
		Offered a week long afternoon Reading Camp Established Roxbury Reading Tent for children and adults Hosts Up in the Air Library program for children Operates the Glen View Preschool Offer Glen View Adult Learning Supports Program Fund Bus Stop Kids Founding partner of East Side Motivators Participated in Glen Falls clean up day Supports Community Chaplaincy financially Supports Saturday Supper Night financially Glen View was represented at; Flood Plan SJ John Howard Society Learning Day Elizabeth Fry Learning Day Coverdale Annual Meeting	
		Poverty Meeting at Stone Church Round Table on Mental Health	

Hampton United Church	Past sponsors of refugee families	Completed Ossekeag Place 32 unit apartment complex	Supports Mission and Service Fund
		Participates in Christmas Santa Claus Parade	Supports Haitian Relief Fund
		Supports Hampton Food Bank Volunteers active in servicing War Veterans	Supports Samaritan Christmas Shoe Boxes
		through the Legion, Clergy provides services to Local Nursing and Volunteers with Meals on Wheels Supports Rotary Club Eastern Star Supports Program Fund Supports Masons Supports Amnesty International Volunteers visit Nursing Homes and seniors Supports John Peters Humphrey Foundation Supports United Commercial Travelers Supports UNICEF Supports Relay for Life Supplies coaches for sports teams	Supports Piggs Peak Swaziland program

Lorneville/ St.Giles Pastoral Charge			
Lorneville	Provides space for community groups Holds Christmas Angel memorial Holds Memorial Hymn service	Supports West Side Food Bank Supports families through Christmas Exchange Supports Program Fund Supports families in community in need Supports United Church Clothing Depot Supports Romero House	Supports Wendy McAllister physio therapist in the Congo Supports emergency appeals from National Church Supports Mission and Service Fund
St.Giles	Provides space for community groups Tape Sunday services for shut-ins	Supports families through the Christmas Exchange Supports Seafarer's Mission	Supports Emergency appeals from National Church Supports Mission and Service Fund
	UCW meets for fellowship Christmas Angles in memory of Loved Ones	Hosts a Mitten Tree Supports Grand Bay-Westfield Food Bank	
	Choral Christmas service with St. Matthew's Catholic Church Pot Luck supper and BBQ with Lorneville Pastoral Visitation Puzzle Exchange Prayer Circle	Benevolent Funds assists families with special requests throughout the year	

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Pastoral Charge all Supports congregants with health and

four points other issues

Sponsors 2 children to attend Living

Supports NB Police Assoc.

Supports Sussex Sharing Club

Supports Sussex Vale Transition House

Supports Salvation Army Supports Program Fund Calendar Sticker Program Supports Red Cross Relief Fund Sponsors a child through PLAN

Supports World Vision

Supports Mission and Service Fund

Newtown	Supports Crosswinds	Supports Mission and Service
	Supports Sussex Sharing Club	
	Supports Salvation Army	
	Supports Sussex Transition House	
	Supports families in need	
	Supports Sussex Hospital Foundation	

Park Avenue United Church	Supports congregational members with medical issues	Supports families through Christmas Exchange Hosts a Mitten Tree	Supports Mission and Service Fund
		Supports Saint John East Food Bank	
		Provides Loch Lomond Villa services on Friday and	
		Supports Program Fund	
		Supports AIDS Saint John	
		Supports Chicken Noodle Soup Club	
		Supports Coverdale Centre Supports United Church Clothing Depot	

Portland United			
Church	Provides space for community groups	Manages Newport Village Housing Complex	Collects stamps, soup labels, and eye glasses
	Sponsors Scouts	Supports families through Christmas Exchange	Supports Mission and Service Fund
		Donates mitts hats and scarves to schools	
		Benevolent Fund assists special requests, pastoral	
		Donates school supplies to schools	
		Supports Centennial School free hot lunch	
		Supports Food Bank	
		Supports Seniors Knitting Group at Stephenson	
		Supports Inner City Youth Mission	
		Supports Coverdale Centre	
		Supports Hestia House	
		Supports United Church Clothing Depot	
		Supports Seafarers Mission	

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Quispamsis **United Church** Provides food and travel for our sick and Outreach Fund assists special request throughout

shut-ins the year

Supports Saint John Community Chaplaincy

Hosts a Christmas Cookie Exchange to Provides space to community groups

Supports Coverdale Centre

Supports clothing drive to Labrador Collects soup labels, eye glasses

Supports Mission and Service Fund

Gather yarn for a project in Nova Scotia

Prayer Circle

Hosts Mitten Tree Hosts 2 Study Groups

Supports families through the Christmas Exchange

Supports United Church Clothing Depot

Supports KV Food Basket Supports Program Fund

Operates KVUCS:a 16 unit apartment complex

Gave land and sits on Board of KVUCS housing

Supports Program Fund

Saint Andrew's St.	Provides space for Kids Sing, anti	Hosts monthly community suppers on the last	Supports Mission and Service Fund
David's United	poverty and other non profit groups Hosts Summer Concerts in the	Tuesday of the month. Hosts a winter clothing drive during Christmas Food vouchers are handed out from the church	
	Organizes a visitation committee for our	Supports Christmas Exchange and Empty Stocking	

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St. David's United Church	Provide space for community groups	Youth provide cookies and muffins to various agencies, soup for Romero House.	Youth bake sale for Haiti Relief
	Supported congregational members with medical issues	·	Supports Canadian Food grains Bank
		Benevolent fund assists special requests for food	Supports Mission and Service Fund
		Youth assists fund raising for Canadian Diabetes Supports Main Street Baptist Church Supports Boys and Girls Club Support East Saint John and KV Food Banks Supports Coverdale Centre	Supports Inter Pares, Supports Pueblito Supports Leprosy Relief Supports Stephen Lewis Foundation Supports Medecins Sans Frontieres Supports Child Haven International Supports Canadian Red Cross
		Supports Pulmonary Hypertension organization Supports families through Christmas Exchange and	
		Supports Joshua Group Operates KVUCS:a 16 unit apartment complex	
		Supports Rotary Girls Choir	
		Supports Nature NB camp fees 2 children	
		Supports Hospice Supports PRO Kids	
		Supports Program Fund	

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St. Marks United

Church Provides space Al-Anon

Provides space for Alcoholics

Anonymous

Provides space Girl Guides and Boy

holics

Supports Hestia House Supports Romero House

Supports Ten Thousand Villages

Supports families through Christmas Exchange

Supports West Side Co-Op Preschool

Supports Kiwanis Music Festival

Clergy involved with West Side Ministerial, assisting

Youth Group helps dig a well in Africa

Supports Mission and Service

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St. Martins United No Report

St. Paul's United	Supports Christmas Families within Green Church Sponsors Scouts	Supports Sussex Sharing Club Supports Sussex Food Bank Supports Sussex Clothing Depot	Supports the Mission and Service Fund
	Radio Broadcast of Sunday services	Supports Red Stocking Program Financial help for requests of food, medicine, power Supports Meals on Wheels Sponsors Mom's Time Out Supports Little Jackie Fund Supports Salvation Army Supports Pregnancy Crisis Centre	
		Supports Sussex Vale Transition House Gave land and sits of Board of St. Paul's Seniors	

OUTREACH STORY

Silver Falls United

Church Home visits and pastoral care

Provides space and leaders for Scouts,

Bible Study

Provides space for Talk with Me Knit and donate prayer shawls

Provide space for AA and Al-non

Supports Saint John East Food Bank

Supports Saint John Christmas Exchange Supports United Church Clothing depot

Provides Food Bank vouchers

Supports Program Fund

Supports Saturday Night Supper Program

Supports Mission and Service

Two Rivers	Sponsors Scouts	Supports Saint John Community Chaplaincy	Supports Mission and Service Fund
		Supports Romero House	Supports school tuition in Rabinal Guatemala
		Supports Coverdale Centre	Responds to international disasters brought forward
		Supports AIDS Saint John	
		Supports Hestia House	
		Supports Program Fund	
		Supports local food banks Raise awareness of Violence against Women	

Welsford Pastoral		
Browns Flat	Supports the United Church Clothing Depot Soup Kitchen White Gift Sunday	Supports Mission and Service Fund Sponsors a child overseas
Patterson	Supports Food Bank Supports Soup Kitchen in Oromocto	Supports Samaritan Christmas Shoe Boxes Supports Mission and Service Fund
Welsford		Supports Mission and Service Fund

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SAINT JOHN PRESBYTERY AGENCIES SUPPORTED

AIDS SaintJohn	Is a non-profit community based organization geared to		
Gamtoom	a) improving the quality of life of those infected and affected by HIV/AIDSb) striving to reduce the spread of HIV by promoting healthy choices in the community at large. This will be accomplished		
Alzheimer Society	The Alzheimer Society of New Brunswick is committed to providing educational and support services to people affected by Alzheimer and related diseases, caregivers, and the general public. Some of the services the Alzheimer Society of New		
Amnesty International	Amnesty International is a worldwide movement of "ordinary" people who work together to achieve extraordinary results. Each day we stand in solidarity with, and help protect, individuals and communities around the world whose human rights		
Boys and Girls Club	Offer children and youth opportunities to develop skills, knowledge, and values they seek to become fulfilled individuals. Services include Daycare, Lunch Program, After School Program, Evening Youth Program, and Summer Program.		
Breakfast Program	Prepares toast juice and cereal for students.		
Bus Stop Kids	Minister goes to bus stop most mornings with the children. Held a BBQ for the children		
Canadian Bible Society	Shares the word of God with people around the world.		
Canadian Food Grains Bank	A partnership of Canadian churches and church-based agencies working together to end global hunger.		

Chicken Noodle Soup Club Chicken Noodle Club" (CNC) is a hot lunch program which operates 5 days a week at St. John the Baptist Church, 54 Broad Street. CNC meets Monday - Friday at 11:30am. Beginning in September 2007, the program will also be offered at Portland United Church Tues and Wed at 12:00noon for the students of Centennial School, and at St Anne's Church Tues

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Child Haven International	Assist children and women in developing countries, who are in need of food, education, health care, shelter and clothing, emotional and moral support
Coupon Ministry	Coordinator sorts coupons brought in by congregants. People register and name items they use, coupons are distributed monthly.
Coverdale Centre	Coverdale Centre for Women Inc. provides self development programs, Individual Case Planning and Emergency Shelter The Centre is a drop in center where any woman can find support.
CQS Day Care Centre	Our Adult Care Centre (established 1977) provides a welcoming atmosphere for those in the community whose lives are complicated by ill health or disability. We provide social contact, occupational therapy, challenges to learn new skills or try
	The Child Development Centre opened in 1982. The Centre exists to provide for children between the ages of 15 months -
Crosswinds	Crosswinds Occupational Activity Centre Inc. is an occupational activity centre that provides a day program for those with
	Also offers an employment program to the general public, funded by the Department of Post-Secondary Education,
East Side Motivators	Glen View United is privileged to be one the founding Neighbourhood Sponsors of East Side Motivators. We have been pleased to support them in their varied initiatives including a resident survey, Halloween Party, Christmas Party, Summer
Glen View Adult Learning	Glen View Adult Learning welcomed its' first students in January of 2011. It is a joint effort of Glen View United through the Church in Action Committee and our partner, Saint John Kings Adult Learning and a response to needs expressed by people in our neighbourhood.
Glen View Pre-	Provides a pre-school program for children ages 2-5.

School

Hampton Rotary Club	The Object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise.
Hesita House	Offers shelter for abused women and their children in a secure setting
Hospice Saint John	Palliative Care center
Inner City Youth Ministry	The Inner City Youth Ministry holds the following activities for children: After School Club, Chicken Noodle Soup club, Hockey for Everyone, Life Skills Workshop, Parents Night Out and Mentoring Program
Inter Pares	Supports communities in Africa, Asia, Latin America, and Canada to create sustainable livelihoods and healthy futures.
John Peters Humphrey Foundation	To provide an ongoing tribute to John Peters Humphrey by educating individuals of all ages about his life and accomplishments; to provide a venue to learn about Humphrey and his work; and to educate people about human rights issues.
Joshua Group	is dedicated to improving the lives of children and families in need in the Greater Saint John area.
KenVal United Church Suites	The mission of KVUCS is to provide clean, safe and affordable rental housing units and related facilities for seniors and people with special needs, regardless of their religious affiliation, in the Kennebecasis Valley
Little Jackie Fund	Urgent Orthodontic Care for impoverished children
Main St. Baptist Church Clothing Depot	Provides clothing for those in need.

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Medicins Sans Frontieres	MSF is one of the world's leading independent international medical relief organizations.
Mission and Service Fund	The Mission and Service Fund combines all of the annual gifts to The United Church of Canada to support service and ministry across Canada and around the globe.
Mom's Time Out	A weekly program for young mothers in St. Paul's congregation and the community.
New Brunswick Police Association	Helps the people of New Brunswick familiarize themselves with their Municipal Police Officers and their activities.
Open Door Club	Schizophrenia Society of NB is a non-profit, community based organization dedicated to as our mission statements says "To improve the quality of life for those affected by schizophrenia and psychosis through education, support programs,
Ossekeag Place	The mission of Ossekeag Place Inc. is to provide safe, senior friendly, affordable housing for seniors in Hampton and surrounding area. It is a 32 unit senior housing complex.
Piggs Peak Swaziland	Connects communities to reduce the devastating effect of HIV/AIDS in Swaziland by providing help, hope and opportunity for a better future one person at a time.
Portage Treatment Center	Non-profit organization provides support for those overcoming their addictions from substance abuse.
Program Fund	Program Fund supports Coverdale Centre for Women, United Church Clothing Depot and CQS Day Care Centres.The

source of this money is voluntary from churches within Saint John Presbytery.

P.R.O. Kids	P.R.O. Kids is a service that matches children 18 years of age and under with organized, registered recreational and extra
Pueblito Canada	An international development agency that delivers transformative education through collaborative partnerships for children and youth in the Americas.
Red Cross	From conflict zones to communities destroyed by devastating disasters or debilitating health issues, the Canadian Red
Red Stocking Fund	Each Christmas St.Paul's organizes and donates Red Stockings of Christmas gifts for children enrolled with the Sharing Club
Relay for Life	Canadian Cancer Society Relay For Life gives you and your community the opportunity to celebrate cancer survivors,
Romero House	Soup Kitchen: Serves meals 365 days a year from 9:30 - 1:00.
	Emergency Food Orders/Family Projects: Receive requests when food banks are not open or when client has used food
	Outreach: Pick up and deliver donated food, clothing, and household articles. Clothing Centre/Household Goods: open, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 9:30am-1:00pm. Medicare cards are required, memberships are issued, and seasonal allowances are made. Chapel: open to clients and staff. Health Centre: Visiting health nurse each Tuesday for follow up care and to intercept special health needs. Street Mobile: Operates November to March providing hot drinks and warm clothing to those stranded on the streets at
Saint John Christmas Exchange	A confidential central exchange service operated by community volunteers, with the primary purpose of ensuring that no family in need does without a Christmas dinner. Gifts and food is collected by churches and community groups.

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Saint John Community Chaplaincy	Saint John Community Chaplaincy is an interdenominational community devoted to the support of those in our neighbourhood who have been released from prison, those with family members in prison, and to the promotion of a greater understanding of the criminal justice system.
Saint John	Needle exchange programs work to ensure that injectors do not share any part of their equipment. Needle exchange is a

Needle

Exchange

Salvation Army The Salvation Army Saint John Centre of Hope, located at 36 St. James Street has 76 beds in total for men, where 42 of the beds are for the Community Housing Program and 34 are for the Special Care Program.

public health imtervention operating to prevent not only HIV transmission, but also injection related harms such as

Samaritans Christmas Shoe Boxes Operation Christmas Child brings joy and hope to children in desperate situations around the world through gift-filled shoe boxes and the message of God's unconditional love

Supper **Program**

Saturday Night Assists St. Bartholomew Church in serving people in the community.

School Milk **Fund**

Purpose of the School Milk Fund is to provide free milk to children in grades K, 1, 2, and 3 who have been considered in need of extra nutrition. The program typically runs for 5 to 6 months through the winter.

Seafarers Mission

"The Saint John Seafarers' Mission is dedicated to serving a multi-faith maritime community by attending to the spiritual, temporal, and recreational needs of seafarers.

St. Patrick's **Pals**

PALS (Partners Assisting Local Schools) is an exciting initiative of School District 8 in partnership with the local business community and service agencies. It partners interested groups with local schools to provide support primarily in the form

St. Vincent de **Paul Clothing Depot**

Provides clothing for those in need.

bacterial infections and vein collapse.

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Stephen	Lewis
Foundati	ion

Addresses HIV AIDS issues in Africa

Sussex	Early
Interven	ition
Center	

Sussex & Area Family & Early Childhood Inc. promotes early child development so that each child can reach his/her full potential, physically and mentally. Through this, the child becomes prepared to enter school with little problems or difficulties. Services provided are: Parent Education; Parent Support; Mother parent education programs, developmental

Sussex Health Center

The Sussex Health Centre is a 25 bed acute care facility serving a population of approximately 30,000. The inpatient and outpatient services include a concentrated care area, surgery, family medicine, and palliative care

Sussex **Pregnancy Crises Centre**

Sussex and Area Crisis Pregnancy Centre offers peer counseling, free pregnancy tests, maternity and baby clothes and accessories, educational presentations and speakers, adoption education, long term support programs and community referrals. The Mentoring Mums Program Hearts Two Hearts) matches young mothers with mentors

Sussex **Sharing Club**

Food and clothing bank for residents who are in need in the Sussex and surrounding area.

Clothing Bank is open to the public.

The Sharing Club also provides lunch to elementary school-aged children of clients. Program is offered three times per

Sussex Vale **Transition** House

Sussex Vale Transition House offers short term emergency shelter for women and their children experiencing abuse and family violence or who are in a housing crisis.

UNICEF

UNICEF (United Nations Children's Fund) is one of the world's best recognized charities and a leading advocate for

United Church United Church Clothing Depot provides clothing and household items for those in need. Donations may be dropped off at Clothing Depot your local United Church, or by bringing the items directly to the clothing depot. There is a drop-off bin located next to the Depot entrance that can be used 24 hours a day. Men's, women's, and children's clothing, household items, books, magazines, toys, etc. are accepted. .

United Commercial **Travelers**

Fraternal organization dedicated to helping both individuals and groups of all ages in our community who are in need of financial or volunteer assistance. Primary focus on youth and our intellectually disabled citizens.