

## *Chelsea First UMC Ministry Partners*

### Group

### Contact Person

#### Cass Community Services

Don Redding/Jody Croskey

Cass Community Social Services is dedicated to making a profound difference in the lives of the diverse populations it serves by providing for basic needs, including affordable housing, promoting self-reliance and encouraging community involvement and community improvement. <https://casscommunity.org/>

#### CROP Walk

Barbara Locks

CROP hunger walks are community-led interfaith events that raise funds to end hunger locally and around the world. <https://crophungerwalk.org>

#### Fair Trade Coffee

Candy Burns

By choosing Fairtrade certified coffee, you know that the beans are grown using rigorous standards, which support farmers and their communities and help protect the environment.

#### Faith in Action

Barbara Brown

The leading provider of essential support to alleviate the effects of hunger and all effects of poverty in our local communities. <https://faithinaction1.org/>

#### Freedom Schools

Edie Wiarda

We are a community informed, collaborative solution to closing the educational gap, fostering positive esteem and encouraging retention and development of youth, young adults and professional talent. <https://freedom-schools-collab.org/about-us/>

#### God's Country Community Ministry

Rodney Gasaway

The God's Country Community Ministries covers a 2500 square mile area in Michigan's Upper Peninsula. Although it is located in some of the most beautiful country you could ever hope to see, the isolation, extremely harsh long winters, and scarcity of jobs bring real challenges to these communities. GCCM provides a volunteer opportunities, free general store, home repairs, and is an official Feed America food provider site. <https://www.gccommunityministries.org/>

## Habitat for Humanity

Gary Dawes/Karen Woollams

At Habitat for Humanity, we build. We build because we believe that everyone, everywhere should have a healthy, affordable place to call home. When a family helps to build or improve a place they can call home, they are also building a better community, a better life for themselves. <https://www.h4h.org/>

## Jackson Interfaith Shelter

Lynette Lynch

Seeking to put God's love into action, Jackson Interfaith Shelter provides temporary shelter and other essential resources to people experiencing homelessness or poverty. <https://www.interfaithshelter.com/>

## Midwest Distribution Center

Cathy & Rick Fitzgerald

Bringing the hearts and hands of God's people together to transform resources into humanitarian relief. <https://www.midwestmission.org/>

## Priceless Gifts Store

Susan Rita-Adams

The Priceless Gift Toy Store is a ministry to help parents or guardians to shop for their own children for free. It's a gift of love! The store is full of gently used, hand-made and new toys. <http://www.togetherdifference.org/pricelessgifttoystore.html>

## Pro Allies

Rodney Gasaway

Pro Allies is a support organization designed to bring all military and military veterans, law enforcement, fire, and emergency medical professionals, and their immediate families together in safe environments to offer support to one another. <https://www.proallies.org/>

Each year we also support local ministry opportunities, missionaries, and various entities through financial support of the United Methodist Advance.