



# WELCOME TO AGAPE THRIFT STORE & FOOD PANTRY



### Thrift Store Hours

M-F: 9-5pm  
Sat: 9-3pm  
Sun: Closed

### Donation Drop Off Hours

M-F: 9-4:30pm  
Sat: 9-2:30pm  
Sun: Closed

### Food Pantry Hours

Tue: 12:00-4:30pm  
Thu: 12:00-4:30pm

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH



## FREE MOBILE CLINIC

- FREE OF CHARGE CONSULTATIONS
- FREE OF CHARGE SCREENINGS
- FREE BLOOD PRESSURE CHECKS
- FREE LIPID, GLUCOSE & DIABETES SCREENINGS
- FREE VACCINATIONS
- FREE DISEASE RISK ASSESSMENTS
- NO APPT. REQUIRED
- WALK-INS WELCOME



**MAY 2, 2024**  
**12-4 PM**

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1220 E. SPRING STREET

## *Will You Sponsor A Child?*

We understand the anticipation that comes with the end of the school year and the excitement of preparing for the upcoming back-to-school season. Here at Agape, we are overjoyed to reintroduce our impactful "Sponsor a Child" program. With a simple donation of \$15, you can make a significant difference in a student's life by providing them with a kit containing essential items, all distributed through our food pantry. This year, our aim is to extend our support to 200 children, a substantial increase from the 150 students we assisted last year. We invite you to join us in creating a lasting impact by sponsoring a child today with a \$15 donation. Together, we have the power to positively influence the lives of these young individuals and make a meaningful difference in our community. Donations can be made online on our website or mailed to: Agape Ministries, Inc., 1220 E. Spring Street, St. Marys, OH 45885 (please indicate "School Supply Kits" in the memo line).

## *Inaugural Mobile Health Clinic Debut*

On May 2, 2024, we proudly launched an innovative partnership with Grand Lake Health System, Mercy Health, Ohio Northern University, and Wright State University for our inaugural Mobile Clinic event, hosted at the Agape Ministries, Inc. parking lot. This exceptional initiative welcomed all individuals seeking healthcare services or health-related advice, no appointment required.

Our collaboration represents a remarkable opportunity for our community and neighboring areas, as local hospitals and colleges come together to provide valuable clinical experience for students while delivering essential medical services to those who may otherwise struggle to access healthcare. Stay tuned for updates on the schedule for the 2024-2025 school year, detailing when the mobile clinic will be available at Agape Ministries, Inc. Keep an eye out on our [Facebook](#) page for the latest information on clinic days and times!



## *New Construction Near Completion*

In 2022, a cherished member of our community blessed us with a generous endowment. This extraordinary gift, a one-time contribution, prompted us to carefully consider the best way to utilize it. Following thorough deliberation, our board unanimously agreed to embark on the construction of a state-of-the-art 80x40 storage facility. This new building is crucial in addressing the space limitations of our Thrift Store, allowing us to efficiently manage the increasing volume of donations. We are incredibly grateful for the opportunity to elevate our operations, and we owe a debt of gratitude to the collaborative efforts of Worch Lumber, Luthman Concrete, Tom and Jerry's, Harrod Nagel Electric, and Project Engineer - Eric Paulus of Preferred Design for making our new storage warehouse a reality.





### Cook Out Faire At Agape

April showers have fallen and grilling season is still upon us. Garden hoses are watering the children and giggles and laughter are filling the air. Grills are out and the smell of seasoned meat is dancing across our noses.

We kindly ask you to consider grabbing a few extra grilling condiments such as pickles, lettuce, onions, relish, ketchup, mustard, pasta salad mixes, etc. to support our cause. We will continue distributing these items in our food pantry. Your generosity will make a significant impact on those in our community who are facing hardships.



### Agape Thrift Store News

The excitement of Prom and graduation has faded and the school year has come to a close, the warm embrace of summer is upon us.

Step into a world of summer wonder at Agape Thrift Store, where our passion for bringing joy to your season shines through in every item we offer. Picture yourself hosting a delightful gathering with our elegant platters that not only showcase your culinary creations but also elevate the art of entertaining. Add a touch of sophistication to any occasion with our stylish drink pitchers and blenders, perfect for serving up refreshing beverages in style. And when it's time to fire up the grill, our essential grilling tools and table coverings will make outdoor dining a breeze, ensuring that every meal is a memorable experience.

*"when you haven't had your daily dose of thrifting"*



But the fun doesn't stop there - for those inevitable rainy days when indoor activities are a must, our selection of board games, puzzles, and more will captivate and entertain the whole family for hours on end. Whether it's a competitive game night or a relaxing puzzle-solving session, we have everything you need to keep the good times rolling.

So why wait? Come and explore our store, where the magic of summer awaits at every turn. Let Agape Thrift Store be your go-to destination for all your summer essentials, and make this season truly unforgettable.

Watch our [Facebook page](#) for updates and featured items!



### May Shout Outs

- We extend our sincere appreciation to Cargill Animal Nutrition for their generous donation of 450 pounds of nutritious dog food to our food pantry. Our clients furry friends bring so much joy into their lives, and it is heartwarming to see them receive the care and support they deserve too. Thank you for helping us ensure that our client's four-legged companions are well-fed and happy.
- We extend our heartfelt gratitude to the Auglaize County Council on Aging and their dedicated staff for their invaluable assistance in delivering our monthly Senior Food Boxes to homebound seniors who are unable to visit the Food Pantry in person.
- We are incredibly grateful for the ongoing support from Classic Delight through their generous donations of food products. Their contributions play a vital role in ensuring that we can provide groceries for our clients and keep their homes stocked.
- We are incredibly grateful for the generous support from our community members who have donated to our food pantry and thrift store. Your kindness enables us to consistently offer essential programs and nutritious meals to those in need. Let's unite to foster a community brimming with positivity, warmth, and boundless compassion. Together, our combined efforts can truly make a significant impact on the lives of those we serve.



### May Stats

- Agape Food Pantry served **477** people in **174** households.
- Agape Weekend Power Pack Bags were disbursed to **357** students.
- Agape Summer Feeding Bags were disbursed to **36** students.
- Senior Boxes were delivered to **15** people.
- Clothing vouchers were issued to **14** people.
- Household vouchers were issued to **1** people.
- Financial Aid was disbursed for **4** people.

### Employee Spotlight



Jayde

Introducing Jayde, our delightful Thrift Store Cashier, who has graced us with her presence for the past 7 months. Jayde finds pure joy in the camaraderie of her colleagues at Agape Ministries, describing them as kind, empathetic, and supportive individuals that truly make her feel at home.

When Jayde isn't assisting customers at the register, she immerses herself in the world of art, finding solace in painting, drawing, and introspective moments. And let's not forget about Elvis, Jayde's beloved feline companion, who brings endless happiness and warmth into her life.