

**Meridian Township Community Resources Commission
Needs Fund Report
July 2025**

Starting Cash Balance \$13,486.00

Donations

Arrow Tree Fire Donation: Pay Pal	\$ 1814.45
Redi-Ride Sales	\$ 108.00
Resident Donation	\$ 100.00
Baby Bottle Boomerang	\$ 80.41
Meridian Cares Round Up	\$ 341.92
Henry's Place Donation	\$ 500.00
Back to School Donation	\$ 2500.00
Interest	\$ 50.77

Money Market \$45,295.68

Emergency Funds used in July \$ 2,808.00

Checks written for AT Fire Victims \$ 2364.45

Ending Cash Balance \$13,809.10

Emergency Funds used in 2025 \$23,072.86

PayPal Balance as of 07/31/25 \$483.25

% of Budget Used 57%

% of year past 57%

Redi-Ride Passes sold in July 18

Redi-Ride Passes YTD 258

Date	Household	Assistance	Amount	Leverage	Reimbursed	Auth
07/03/25	T.S.	Rent	500.00	0.00		Styka
07/24/25	J.H.	Rent	808.00	0.00		Styka
07/24/25	K.B.	Rent	500.00	2126.30		Styka
07/24/25	F.G.	Rent	500.00	300.00		Styka
07/24/25	A.M.	Rent	500.00	906.07		Styka
			2808.00	3332.37		

**Meridian Township Community Resources Commission
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August 2025**

Starting Cash Balance \$13,809.10

Donations

Kiwanis Club Dunk Tank Donation	\$ 269.00
Knights of Columbus St. Martha	\$ 2000.00
Reimbursements	\$ 805.86
Meridian Cares Round Up	\$ 308.04
Back to School Donation Kiwanis	\$ 2500.00

Money Market \$45,295.68

Emergency Funds used in July \$ 5,528.24

Ending Cash Balance \$14,301.76

Emergency Funds used in 2025 \$28,631.10

PayPal Balance as of 08/30/25 \$668.51

% of Budget Used 71%

% of year past 66%

Redi-Ride Passes sold in August 28

Redi-Ride Passes YTD 286

Date	Household	Assistance	Amount	Leverage	Reimbursed	Auth
08/05/25	K.V.	Rent	242.00	0.00		Styka
08/05/25	S.O.	Utility	805.86	0.00	305.86	Styka
08/05/25	K.B.	Rent	350.00	253.00		Styka
08/05/25	D.P.	Rent	500.00	1240.00		Styka
08/12/25	R.S.	Rent	999.00	1000.00	500.00	Styka
08/12/25	D.C.	Rent	207.88	0.00		Styka
08/19/25	S.B.	Rent	500.00	1975.35		Styka
08/19/25	D.P.	Rent	437.50	437.50		Styka
08/19/25	V.R.	Rent	500.00	1300.00		Styka
08/19/25	A.A.	Rent	500.00	500.00		Styka
08/19/25	A.W.	Rent	516.00	0.00		Styka
			5558.24	6705.85		



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Ingham County Awards Nearly \$2.5 Million in Housing & Homeless Millage Grants to Support Critical Services

The Ingham County Housing Trust Fund has announced the recipients of **\$2.475 million** in Housing & Homeless Millage grant awards for programs that provide critical supportive services to residents currently experiencing or at risk of homelessness.

A total of **nine nonprofit and local government-run programs** have been selected as the inaugural recipients of this competitive grant, designed to expand emergency shelter, essential services, shelter diversion, and housing case management throughout Ingham County.

The announcement follows a Request for Proposals (RFP) released earlier this year to expand services for unhoused populations. Based on the strength of applications received, the Ingham County Board of Commissioners approved \$1,000,000 in 2024 Housing and Homeless Millage funds, along with an additional \$1,475,000 commitment from 2025 funds to maximize impact.

Alan Fox, Chair of the Ingham County Housing Trust Fund Board, announced the awards following their approval at the Board of Commissioners meeting on August 26, 2025.

The Ingham County Housing Trust Fund was established in 2021 to increase housing opportunities for low- to moderate-income residents. In 2024, voters approved the County's first-ever Housing and Homeless Millage—levying 0.50000 of 1 mill (50 cents per \$1,000 of taxable value) for four years—to prevent homelessness and expand access to safe, stable housing.

“As federal support for housing continues to shrink, local investment becomes not just critical—but urgent,” said Fox. *“Housing and homeless service programs are the front line of stability for families and individuals. Without them, the cost to our communities—in emergency services, health care, and lost potential—is far greater than the cost of prevention.”*

The background of the flyer is a vibrant blue with scattered white snowflakes and light blue hearts. On the left side, there are three stylized winter coats: a green one at the top, a grey one in the middle, and a red one at the bottom. On the right side, there is a red winter coat with a fur-lined hood. The text is centered on a white, snow-like shape that appears to be on top of a surface.

Share Love and Warmth This Season

COAT DRIVE

ALL SIZES NEEDED!

Meridian Cares and the Okemos Community Church will host a coat drive supporting Township residents in need between September 2 and October 31, 2025.

This donation event will collect new or gently used coats, boots, and snow pants **ONLY**. Scarves, gloves, hats, and other winter items will not be accepted.

To share the warmth, drop off new or gently-used items:

- At the Municipal Building (5151 Marsh Road, Okemos) from September 2 to October 31 between 8:00 am and 5:00 pm, Monday through Friday.
- At the Fall Electronics Recycling Day at the Meridian Mall (1982 W. Grand River Avenue, Okemos; by the Chili's parking lot) on Saturday, September 20, between 9:00 am and 1:00 pm.

MERIDIAN
Cares Making a Difference


Okemos
Community Church

Calendar

Fall Electronics Recycling Day & Coat Collection

Date: 09/20/2025 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Location: Meridian Mall
1982 W Grand River Ave
Okemos, Michigan 48864

Introduction: Open to Residents of the
Capital Area

Join the Meridian Green Team at the Meridian Mall (1982 W. Grand River Avenue, Okemos) near Chili's and Olive Garden on Saturday, September 20 from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm for the Fall Electronics Recycling Day!

In addition to recycling your unwanted electronics, Meridian Cares will also be accepting new and gently used coats, snow pants, and boots for their annual coat drive.

Accepted Items:

- **Electronics:** TVs*, monitors*, computers, laptops, printers & scanners, fax machines, keyboards, computer mice, VCRs, DVRs, DVD players, hard drives, satellite boxes, tablets & E-readers, mobile phones, MP3 players, video game consoles, cords and cables, vacuum cleaners, coffee makers, toasters, and microwaves.
 - **TVs and monitors: \$20 donation each (cash or check payable to Meridian Township)*
- **Air Conditioners, Dehumidifiers, and Small Refrigerator/Freezers:**
 - Consumers Energy Electric Customers: Bring your old working appliance and receive a rebate in 6 weeks for responsibly recycling! Please bring a copy of your Consumers electric bill.
 - BWL Customers contact: 800.573.3503 or lbwl.com/appliancerecycling.
- **Coats, Snow Pants, Boots, and Shoes:** New and gently-used only.

Non-Accepted Items:

- Batteries, smoke detectors, lighting, and large household appliances.

For questions, please contact Project Engineer Jack Hughes at hughes@meridian.mi.us or 517.853.4470.

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MERIDIAN
Cares Making a Difference

**Holiday
Food
Assistance**

ACCEPTING DONATIONS!

HELP US
REACH
OUR GOAL
BY OCT. 31!

\$1,350

\$11,500

Meridian Cares is accepting donations for this year's Holiday Food Assistance Fundraiser. All donations will go towards food-only gift cards for those in need this holiday season.

Donations of \$500 or more will be featured on the Meridian Cares webpage and Facebook page.

To Donate:

Scan the QR code to contribute to the Meridian Cares PayPal.



For more information visit meridian.mi.us/MeridianCares

Community Spotlight: Sleep in Heavenly Peace

Wed, Sept. 24

6:30 PM

Come learn about an amazing group in our community! Sleep in Heavenly Peace (SHP) is a volunteer-driven nonprofit dedicated to building and delivering hand-made, fully furnished beds to children in need. SHP's mission is to tackle childhood bedlessness, which we estimate to affect nearly 3% of the population.



Capital Area
District Libraries
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NO KID SLEEPS
ON THE FLOOR
IN OUR TOWN!

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