

# LAMP provides an option

## Why support us?

- We practice the highest form of charity by helping those in need become independent.
- We enable non-contributing individuals of Valdosta to become productive members of our city's economy.
- The LAMP organization operates with sound strategic planning, continuity of service, and professional implementation.
- LAMP addresses the full spectrum of social service needs.
- LAMP gives a "hand-up" to people in their time of economic crises.
- We provide the only long-term, family shelter in Valdosta, Georgia.
- LAMP provides a safe haven for those in need of emergency and transitional shelter.
- Donations to LAMP are tax deductible.



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Ministries to People



*"A hand up,  
Not  
a hand-out."*

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## Our Organization

LAMP is a non-profit, 501(c) (3) organization that specializes in providing emergency assistance to the indigent and homeless of our community.

Our organization was created more than 25 years ago, by a group of visionary representatives from about 20 churches and the synagogue. These individuals founded Lowndes Associated Ministries to People, known today as LAMP.

Over the years LAMP has steadily grown to meet the increasing needs of the indigent and homeless. From its original membership of 20 supporting congregations, LAMP has grown to include 50 congregations who support this community effort through volunteers, financial and in-kind contributions, food drives, and board membership. *(We are proud to be "Still Serving")*

## Our Mission

LAMP is a caring community of faith providing for the basic needs of the homeless and hurting members of our community.

We believe that all persons are created in the image of God. We operate on the premise that all of God's children have dignity and the same needs of food, clothing, shelter and love.



## Our Programs

- **Helpers Unlimited (Emergency Assistance/Homeless Prevention)**
  - Rent
  - Utilities
  - Food
  - Clothing
- **Health Care Program**
  - Prescriptions
  - Eye Care
  - Dental Care
- **Homeless Supportive Housing Program**
  - (36) Emergency shelter beds
  - (27) Transitional bed spaces
  - Two three bedroom off-site units.
  - Day Center Shelter for unsheltered people.
- **Three Components** that LAMP believes are needed to build stability in the homeless/impooverished population are:
  - JOBS- securing a steady income and increasing skills.
  - HOUSING- achieving residential stability.
  - SERVICES- addressing needs and building self-determination.

## The Facts!

LAMP's services and programs help more than 10,000 people in any given year. What would Valdosta look like with 10,000 or more indigent and homeless people looking for assistance that wasn't there?

In 2008 LAMP helped the following number of individuals through its various services:

- 7,530 with food
- 529 with rent and/or utility assistance
- 722 individuals housed in our shelters
- 50,853 meals served in our shelters
- 22,513 bed nights
- 518 with healthcare assistance
- 752 children provided with back-to-school clothes and supplies
- 275 families received complete Thanksgiving meals
- 500 plus community individuals participated in our Block Festival

*If you save one life,  
it's as if you saved the  
entire world.*