

## **MISSION OF PEACE, INC**

### **WHO WE ARE**

Mission Of Peace (M.O.P.) was begun in the early 1990's and officially organized in 1997 by Mary Golden, as an outreach to those in need in West Virginia + Virginia. Originally, we were headquartered in Bishop, West Virginia, and the surrounding area of Berwind and War. This is one of the largest areas in need within America. The economy, for many years, depended on coal. Now that the mines have closed, there are practically no jobs available.

M.O.P. has been granted 501(c)3 tax exemption from the IRS. Operating under a church disqualifies us from many of the grants available to help the Appalachian people. This was our primary reason for applying for tax exemption, independent of any church affiliation.

M.O.P. is a group of volunteers working together to help those in less fortunate circumstances. No one in this organization receives a salary. The only compensation received is the satisfaction of knowing we have made just one life a little better for someone else. M.O.P. is governed by a 5 member board of volunteers. Financial donations are used to buy food to distribute, gas to transport goods, and to pay electricity for our building in Cedar Bluff. In 2005, St. Margaret's Episcopal Church in Cape St. Claire gave us a \$17,000.00 grant to construct a 30' x 50' steel building as our headquarters.

Randall and Lisa Payne are the area coordinators, headquartered in Cedar Bluff, Virginia. Goods are distributed from Cedar Bluff to many distribution points in West Virginia. We reach into the hollers (hollows) where there are little or no other resources for families.

Each year we supply hundreds of children with school supplies as well as clothes and shoes. Parents tell us that their children couldn't do without us coming to their area. We send blankets, coats, clothes, household items, personal care items, furniture, and food. We are giving computers and books to children. We encourage reading and have given away thousands of books! During Christmas, we give parties and presents to hundreds of children and their families.

Our volunteers and donations come primarily from Anne Arundel County, Maryland. Our mission is a "People Helping People" Outreach.

Our goal is to continue to share donations we receive with the Appalachian People and let them know we can about them and their circumstances. Over the years, we have worked very hard to gain the trust of these people and maintain a good relationship with them. We try to maintain their dignity by only giving items that are in good condition - Not junk!

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**TAX RECEIPT**

Thank you for your donation to Mission of Peace Inc!

Received By : \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Donor: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address Cont.: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Items donated to Mission Of Peace, Inc. are deductible for income tax purposes at their present Fair Market Value. IRS code places the responsibility for estimating the "Fair Market Value" and method used to determine the value upon the donor rather than the agency receiving the donation. (The local office of IRS advises that "Fair Market Value" is interpreted as that price which a buyer is willing to pay and a seller willing to accept). No goods or services were provided to the donor in exchange for this donation.

Cash Donation: \$\_\_\_\_.\_\_\_\_ Clothing: \_\_\_\_\_ Value: \$\_\_\_\_.\_\_\_\_  
(# of bags/boxes)

QUANTITY	\$ VALUE	QUANTITY	\$ VALUE
_____ Bedding	\$ _____	_____ Curtains/Drapes	\$ _____
_____ Towels	\$ _____	_____ Dishes/Cookware	\$ _____
_____ Books	\$ _____	_____ Tools	\$ _____
_____ Lamps	\$ _____	_____ Small Appliances	\$ _____
_____ Bicycle	\$ _____	_____ Mattress/Box Spr.	\$ _____
_____ TV/VCR	\$ _____	_____ Radio/Stereo	\$ _____
_____ Records/Tape	\$ _____	_____ School Supplies	\$ _____
_____ Furniture	\$ _____	_____ Toys/Games	\$ _____
_____ Lawnmower	\$ _____	_____ Decorations	\$ _____
_____ Computer	\$ _____	_____ Personal Care Items	\$ _____
_____ Equipment	\$ _____	_____ Freezer/Fridge	\$ _____
_____ Stoves	\$ _____	_____ Lighting Fixtures	\$ _____
_____ Washer/Dryer	\$ _____	_____ Other	\$ _____

**TOTAL VALUE OF DONATION: \$ \_\_\_\_\_.**

DONATIONS ARE USED TO HELP FAMILIES IN NEED IN WEST VIRGINIA + VIRGINIA

**SERVING THE MINISTRY OF PEACE AND HOPE IN APPALACHIAN WEST VIRGINIA AND VIRGINIA.**