

Concern Proposal via Washington Co. Emergency Management

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Churches United for Community CONCERN (CONCERN) was incorporated as a 501(3)(c) entity by members of 17 Bartlesville churches in 1967 to provide a coordinated attack on the causes of poverty and despair in Bartlesville and the surrounding area. A goal from the outset was to involve numerous volunteers in CONCERN programs so that a vital human touch would amplify its resources. Original areas of CONCERN were education, economic opportunity, family living skills, family emergencies, health care services as well as health education and youth activities.

Over the years, CONCERN services have changed, expanded, and improved but the goals and purpose of CONCERN have been, and continue to be, met by dedicated volunteers and staff. Once the needs of the community were identified, several of the initial services evolved and are being met by other dedicated non-profit corporations.

In 2022, CONCERN has two areas of focus: Urgent Support Services, established in 1980, include a Food Pantry and financial assistance; and a Representative Payee program providing service to clients who are unable to manage their financial resources due to advanced age, and/or mental or physical disability, etc. Also, in 2021, Concern, partnering with the City of Bartlesville, is administering the Bartlesville city COVID relief grant for anyone affected by COVID that are having issues paying their rent and/or utility bills.

Concern's food pantry is available to anyone in need in Washington Co. Recipients can receive enough food for their family for 4-7 days once every 30 days, six times a year. The food available includes perishable and non-perishable food. The Tulsa Food Bank provides the majority of the food to Concern. Concern also receives food donations from local grocery stores, churches, corporate and individuals. Concern, through donations, has fresh produce available daily to anyone that would like to come by to obtain the produce.

The food pantry distributes food that is well planned in accordance with a balanced diet and all the food compliments each other to provide food that can be prepared together. The food distributed include food staples of flour, sugar, eggs, dry milk, butter, dried beans, bread, rice, canned goods, canned and frozen meat, and other food.

Concern recognizes the need to provide items that recipients can't purchase with SNAP: hygiene items, paper goods, cleaning supplies, etc. As part of Concern's food pantry, toilet paper (purchased or donated) and bars of soap (when available through donations) are offered at each order. At times, other donations of other items listed above are available.

When basic food staples are not available through donations, Concern will purchase the food items. The food budget only plans for purchasing of items on the current food list. Concern would like to expand the food and produce distribution to include milk, apples, bananas, oranges, and other seasonal fruit. These items are rarely donated and would vastly enhance the food/produce distribution.

As part of the availability of other essential personal and household items, Concern would like to monthly distribute 100 hygiene bags, plus a few extra items, to individuals and families that need these items. Concern would also like to include, as part of this monthly distribution, 100 laundry kits (6 laundry pods and 6 dryer sheets).

360 kits Cost per kit 4.53 1630.80

Children's Kit

Item	Size	Case Size	Price	Each	Qty in Kit	Per Kit		
EOOUT 24 pc zipper pencil pouch	9.5 by 4.5	24	11.99	0.17	1	0.17		
Suave Surf's Up Sham/Cond	12 oz	6	26.15	0.36	2	0.73		
WFPLUS 30 pc 2 oz clear plastic bottle	2 oz	30	9.99	0.14	1	0.14		
Kid's Crest Sparkle Fun	.85 oz	12	8.98	0.75	1	0.75		
Crayola Lip Balm		10	9.49	0.95	1	0.95		
300 kits						Cost per kit	2.56	768.00

Extras per year

	<u>Case Size</u>	<u>Price</u>	<u>Each</u>	<u>Qty in Kit</u>	<u>Per Kit</u>	<u>Needed</u>	<u>Order</u>	<u>Cost for project</u>
Laundry Soap / Tide Pods	104	24.48	0.24	5	1.18	600	12	6
Bounce dryer sheets	120	4.48	0.04	5	0.19	600	10	<u>44.80</u> 338.56
Freshmint ind wrapped toothbrushes	144	32.95	0.23			450	6	197.70
Premium dental youth toothbrush	72	39.99	0.56			150	4	<u>159.96</u> 357.66
bulk hairbrush for homeless ind wrap	50	39.99	0.80			270	10	500.00
generic comb with handle	288	51.00	0.18			330	2	<u>576.00</u> 1076.00
Expanding washcloth (kids only)	1	1.00	1.00			150	300	<u>150.00</u> 150.00
Feminine Overnight Pads	144	39.56	0.27	3		270	4	158.24
Feminine Daily Pads	184	39.56	0.22	9		810	8	<u>316.48</u> 474.72
Tampons	200	39.16	0.20	12		1080	10	391.60
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Total extras for one year								4