



*“If we all do a little, we can accomplish a great deal.”*

**THE SENIOR GIFT CARD PROGRAM-  
NOT JUST A NUMBER**

“The poor you will always have among you.” Matthew 26:11. The statistics reinforce this truth. But hunger among the elderly is about more than statistics. It is about respecting the dignity of the human person. So, the elderly we minister to are more than a number to us. They are people we know. And over the last 10 years we have provided over 70 Spartan Store food grants of \$3,000 to these needy elderly families. Here are two members of the Deus Caritas Est family.



*“It is such a blessing,  
...I don’t know what  
I’d do without this.”  
~Clara S.*

*“It’s always  
sent at the  
perfect time,  
because usually  
our money is  
running thin at  
the end of the  
month.*



*~Don & Patricia Z.*

***Our Mission...***

*Since our founding in 2007, our mission has been to find, befriend and feed the elderly. For the elderly, employment opportunities are limited, full time employment rare, and pay rates low. This makes them poor, vulnerable and generally invisible.*

***Your Support...***

*We would be grateful for your support of this mission!  
Your tax-deductible contributions may be mailed to:*

*Deus Caritas Est  
P.O. Box 2871  
Grand Rapids, MI 49501*

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***~Seniors. The Invisible Poor~***

A growing percentage of our population are elderly. And so too is the percentage of elderly that go hungry. In Michigan, 15% of the elderly population face hunger daily. [Source: *The State of Senior Hunger in America.*] At Deus Caritas Est we begin one person at a time. And we do so with love.

*“Not all of us can  
do great things.  
But we can do  
small things with  
great love.”*

*~Mother Teresa*

***Your Dollars Go to  
Feed the Hungry***

Deus Caritas Est is an independent charitable foundation. And because we are operated entirely by volunteers, ninety-eight percent (98%) of every dollar contributed goes to feed the hungry. Your contribution of \$250 will help feed a needy senior family for one month.