

Food and Clothing Co-Op



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FORT WAYNE, INDIANA



Concordia Theological Seminary exists to form servants in Jesus Christ who teach the faithful, reach the lost, and care for all.

Concordia Theological Seminary,

Fort Wayne, Indiana, prepares men and women to serve God as pastors and deaconesses of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod.

Recognizing that most students live on a very limited income, the Seminary has established the Co-op to help provide food and clothing for the students and their families.

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The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod

Yes! We Can Help Provide for Seminary Families!

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

State: _____

Zip: _____

Enclosed is a monetary donation of: \$500 \$100 \$75 \$50 \$25 Other _____

Please use for: Where most needed Food Co-op Clothing Co-op Christmas Marketplace

Please make your check payable to the Concordia Theological Seminary Food and Clothing Co-op.

We are sponsoring a food drive and plan to deliver our donation on: _____

We are sponsoring a clothing drive and plan to deliver our donation on: _____

We would like to invite a speaker from the Seminary to talk about the Food and Clothing Co-op.

Visit our website at www.ctsfw.edu or send an email to Co-ops@ctsfw.edu.



You may send your donation to:

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For further information, please contact
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260-452-2168.

“For the ministry of this service is not only supplying the needs of the saints but is also overflowing in many thanksgivings to God.” 2 Corinthians 9:12 (ESV)



About the Co-op

The Co-op is open to all students enrolled in classes at Concordia Theological Seminary (CTSFW), Fort Wayne, Indiana. Food, clothing and household items are available at no charge. Students volunteer service time for the privilege of shopping.

The Food Co-op is located in the lower level of the Student Commons and is set up like a small grocery store. The Clothing Co-op is housed in a former dormitory and has 14 shopping areas.

The Co-op relies solely on the generous donations of perishable and non-perishable food items, clothing, household items and monetary gifts from individuals and organizations.

Clothing Co-op Wish List

- New baby items for layettes, given to the new arrivals into our student families
- New socks and underwear
- Clothing*
- Furniture*
- Household items*

* *Items should be like new or gently used.*

(Rule of thumb: Would you like to see your pastor or his family wearing it? Would you like to see it in your pastor's home?)

Food Co-op Wish List

- Canned fruits and vegetables
- Soups
- Cereal
- Crackers
- Peanut butter and jelly
- Pasta, rice and sauces
- Juices
- Spaghetti sauces and canned tomato products
- Canned meat and tuna
- Baking needs, flour, sugar and spices
- Coffee, tea and drink mixes
- Baby food and care products
- Over-the-counter medications
- Paper products
- Personal hygiene products
- Cleaning products
- Monetary gifts—the Co-op spends \$6,000 per month to purchase perishable items such as:
 - ◆ Eggs
 - ◆ Cheese
 - ◆ Milk
 - ◆ Meat
 - ◆ Fresh produce
 - ◆ Frozen fruits and vegetables

Christmas Marketplace

Donated gift cards and quilts are distributed to the students at this event.

- Gift cards in \$25 and under increments from major or national stores
- Restaurant gift cards
- \$25 gas cards
- Quilts are lovingly made each year by ladies from many congregations. Each student is given at least one per year.



How Can You Help?

If you are close enough to deliver:

- Collect different food items each month (beverage, pasta, cereal, etc.)
- Collect personal care products (body wash, shampoo, shaving cream, etc.)
- Collect new socks, underwear and t-shirts
- Hold a baby shower to collect diapers and layette items
- Collect school supplies

Too far away to collect goods:

- Collect gift cards from major store chains (Wal-Mart, Meijer, Target, JCPenney, Sears, etc.)
- Have a special Co-op offering
- Encourage your Day School or Sunday School children to give their chapel offering to the Food Co-op

From anywhere:

- Share new homemade quilts with Seminary families
- Donate clergy vestments and altar paraments
- Send cards and words of encouragement with your Co-op gifts
- Continue to pray for the students, faculty and staff of CTSFW