

FAITH. COMMUNITY. CARES.

Ways to Support the Faith. Community. Cares. Campaign

Frequently Asked Questions

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Will my gift to Solanco Neighborhood Ministries be tax deductible?

Yes. Solanco Neighborhood Ministries is a tax-exempt 501(c)(3) organization. Charitable gifts made to Solanco Neighborhood Ministries are tax exempt following IRS guidelines. We suggest that you contact your financial advisor to discuss your intentions and gift.

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How will the new building at 14 S. Church Street provide opportunities for Solanco Neighborhood Ministries to better serve the Southern End? What new programs or services will be possible and who will benefit?

Solanco Neighborhood Ministries' new building is centrally located and easily accessible for individuals in the southern end. New programs and services will be aimed at eliminating poverty and will focus largely on education, finances, and emotional and spiritual well-being.

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How did the COVID-19 pandemic effect Solanco Neighborhood Ministries and the people we serve? What are some of the greatest challenges facing our community that Solanco Neighborhood Ministries is equipped to address?

Some of the greatest challenges in the southern end surround issues of food insecurity, transportation, and affordable housing. At the height of the pandemic, 64% of individuals who came to the ministry had never needed help from a food bank. Because we knew most people did not know how to access other services, we were intentional about our food distribution, and offered a more personal and tailored approach.

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How does Solanco Neighborhood Ministries work with and support children and students in our local community?

We send home meals every weekend to over 250 food insecure students in grades K-8. We provide items for two breakfasts, two lunches and two dinners, as well as snacks and drinks. We also work closely with the school district to provide resources for housing, internet access, school supplies, and more. Additionally, as a member of the Solanco Family Life Network, we meet regularly with many partnering organizations throughout Lancaster County to address local needs and gaps in services within our community.

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Why are endowment dollars critical to this effort? How will annual endowment income be used to support Solanco Neighborhood Ministries?

Establishing an endowment fund is one way to support the long-term sustainability of the ministry. Well-invested funds will increase over time and use of these funds will allow the ministry to grow and further its mission of engaging families, meeting needs and giving hope.

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Will Solanco Neighborhood Ministries offer any special gift "naming" opportunities in this campaign?

Major gifts to our Faith. Community. Cares. Campaign of \$100,000 and above will have the opportunity to name spaces within the new building. (See Naming Opportunities.) All gifts of \$500 or more will be presented on a donor wall in a prominent location within our new building. All gifts can be made "In Honor of" or "In Memory of" and every donor will be thanked in a special post-campaign Honor Roll of Donors publication. Gifts of all sizes are needed in this campaign and we are grateful for the support. Remember: you have the opportunity to make a gift that combines a current gift payable over 5 years with a qualifying planned gift to secure a naming opportunity. Please contact Solanco Neighborhood Ministries for details.

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Over how many years may I pay my pledge?

Donors will have the opportunity to pay their pledge over a period of up to 5 years.

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What role will planned (estate) gifts play in the campaign?

New or increased planned (estate) gifts will be an option for donors 75 or older in this capital campaign. Donors will be asked to sign a binding campaign pledge form and also provide copies of the pertinent section of their will/other documentation. Many donors will choose to make a combination of outright and planned (estate) gifts to maximize their giving.

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