

We all have that someone on the list that is hard to buy for. Instead of feeling the stress, choose a unique item that will also make a contribution back to the community.

For a gift that shows a sense of caring and compassion and also gives back, give the gift of an Empty Bowl. This gift will be a treasured piece of art for the recipient and food for someone in need.

Empty Bowls is an international grassroots effort to fight hunger and was created by The Imagine Render Group. The basic premise is simple: Potters and other craftspeople, educators and others work with the community to create handcrafted bowls.

The Martin and University of Tennessee at Martin communities have been involved in the Empty Bowls



EMPTY BOWLS

the bowl serves as a visible reminder that people go to bed hungry each night.

Supporting Our Local Artists...
Supporting Our Local Community.
This "Empty Bowl" Given To You
Is Filling The Needs Of Someone Less Fortunate In Our Community.
It Is A Piece Of Wheel Thrown Pottery By Artist David Mcbeth
And Utm Students

**All Proceeds Go To We Care Ministries
So That No One In Our Community Ever Goes Hungry.**

Project for the last 15 years, with 100 percent of the money from the sale of the bowls going to the WeCare Food Bank.

WeCare Ministries, a benevolent organization who helps those in need with rent/utility assistance and food, has a walk in-freezer and cooler as a result of this project as well as funds over the years that have assisted

to fund their food bank.

We Care's outreach expands beyond the familiar thrift store and food bank to include budget counseling, and assistance with rent, utilities, eye and dental care, school supplies as well as toys and gifts at Christmas.

In 2017, the total number of families assisted reached 4, 185. The food bank alone served 222,572 pounds of

food to more than 3,000 families.

"We Care Ministries is not government-funded," notes facility director Baker, underscoring the value of fundraisers like the annual Empty Bowls event. "One hundred percent of all financial donations are used to directly assist those who come to our doors for assistance."

To purchase a bowl throughout the year for any special occasion, call or visit WeCare on North Lindell in Martin.

Empty Bowls can be found on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/martinemptybowls/> and on Instagram @martinemptybowls.

For a gift that is handcrafted with love by local potters and other craftspeople, a gift that shows a sense of caring and compassion for others, give an Empty Bowl.



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