



**Cancer Survivor Helpline:** The Cancer Survivor Helpline is not a crisis line. It is a way for cancer survivors and those who are providing ongoing care for cancer survivors to share experiences and network with other cancer survivors. Compassionate listening is the underlying philosophy of the helpline. However, trained volunteers can also help cancer survivors access professional services from mental health counseling to supplies and home care equipment. **\$6,809.00**

**COMHT Program:** This program grew out of the Rural Response Council created during the farm crisis in the early 1980s. This program is accessed through the Rural Response Hotline through a contract between IMN and Legal Aide of Nebraska. Counseling is provided for farm and ranch families without charge for up to 5 visits with a certified Mental Health Counselor. Farm Aid, Great Plains Conference of the United Methodist Church, the Nebraska State Grange, and other farm organizations are key financial partners in this ministry. **\$24,659.00**



**NeIPL (Nebraska Interfaith Power & Light):** Climate change is an ever-increasing threat in Nebraska and across the globe. As the impacts of an altered climate continually come to be better understood, the need to act becomes more urgent. The faith community is a vibrant sector of life in Nebraska. Within Nebraska, 90% of residents identify as Christian and worship attendance is high. Jewish, Unitarian, Buddhist and Muslim communities are represented in the state as well. Nebraska Interfaith Power and Light brings the faith community into the dialog on climate change and creation care. **\$14,259.00**

**GAIN (Grants to American Indians in Nebraska):** The first ministry of Interchurch Ministries of Nebraska was Grants to American Indians in Nebraska. Through donations from our denominational partners and Mutual of Omaha, the GAIN program has been able to provide grants to Native American Churches for their outreach ministries, fellowship activities, emergency food and shelter programs, and tribal projects. Two of our recent grants went to Native Winds United Methodist Church in Lincoln, NE. This project will help the church with a community garden project. The other grant this year went to the Winnebago Indian Tribal Council to help fund a homeless shelter for Native Americans. **\$7,259.00**



**Health Ministries:** Nearly 10 years ago IMN entered a new ministry to promote “Parish Nurses” in communities across Nebraska. Today, Parish Nurses are called Health Ministry Associates. Health Ministries encourages, supports and empowers nurses and other health care professionals to be leaders in their field of expertise who integrate faith with the promotion of health and wholeness in local communities. IMN maintains a membership in the Health Ministry Association and helps provide health ministers, faith community nurses, clergy, chaplains, faculty, and other program leaders who provide health ministries in diverse faith communities across Nebraska. **\$6,809.00**

**Army Survivor Outreach Services:** “...is committed to the well-being of the community of people who serve and stand ready to defend the nation, to enhance the lives of Soldiers, their families, civilian employees, and military retirees.” The mission is to serve the needs, interests and responsibilities of each individual in the Army community for as long as they are associated with the Army, no matter where they are. In Nebraska Army Survivor Outreach Services sponsors two retreats each year. These retreats offer survivor families with information and a much-needed support network with other survivors. IMN is the SOS fiscal intermediary to manage grants. **\$5,759.00**



**NSSPC/LOSS Team:** The Nebraska State Suicide Prevention Coalition (NSSPC) was formed in 1999 and began implementing suicide prevention efforts in conjunction with the Surgeon General’s call to action to prevent suicide. The purpose of the project was to develop local expertise in suicide prevention throughout the state of Nebraska and work to achieve the following three goals:

- ❖ Increase awareness and knowledge among the target audiences of warning signs, risk factors, and interventions to prevent suicide.
- ❖ Reduce stigma; both surrounding suicide and associated with survivors seeking help for the loss of a loved one by suicide.
- ❖ Positively influence the suicide rate for Nebraska. **\$1,668.00**

