SERVICES PROVIDED:

UGM’s R.O.C. (Reaching Our Community – Reaching Out for Christ) Outreach Center serves families and individuals who are struggling to make ends meet and avoid homelessness. Our staff and volunteers demonstrate Christ’s love in practical ways, providing individuals and families with clothing, household necessities, and counseling.

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION:

Our goal is to help people see how a life knowing and following Jesus can give them the security and direction in their time of need. We meet with each client, provide clothing, furniture, and other household goods that they need; and also offer life skills counseling and referrals to local churches and other community agencies. During holidays, we also partner with local churches to provide special services and gifts to the needy of our community.

ROLE OF THE PRACTICUM STUDENT:

The practicum student will work with staff members to develop a program to meet the needs of the student, as well as the needs of the clients.

REQUIREMENTS OF THE PRACTICUM STUDENT:

Students are required to complete Union Gospel Mission’s volunteer application, which includes a statement of faith and criminal history disclosure. Students are also expected to be involved in a local church and provide a reference who can verify their church involvement. They are additionally expected to uphold UGM’s Mission Statement (below).

Union Gospel Mission’s Statement:
A Christ-centered ministry demonstrating God’s love by meeting physical, mental and spiritual needs of men, women and children in crisis. Proclaiming the Gospel of Christ in word and deed.

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CRIMINAL HISTORY CHECK REQUIRED

As of April 15, 2011, practicum sites that use the Department of Human Services Background Check Unit will now conduct a weighing test and fitness determination when an individual has been identified as the perpetrator of abuse in certain cases of sexual abuse, physical abuse or financial exploitation. The Background Check Unit will specifically consider the most serious cases of abuse reported and substantiated from January 1, 2010, forward.