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# the Handup

OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF HELPING HANDS COMMUNITY SERVICE GROUP



Another Harvest Day in the Denver Community Garden

## Volunteer Opportunities and Ministry Updates

Click on the text box for details and contact information about each ministry.

Amy's Closet in Denver is open Tues-Sat, morning. New volunteers are welcome. Applications are available in the store. Proceeds from Amy's Closet support the operation of Amy's House.

The Building and Repair Team completed 2 ramp projects and logged 115 hours of service last month. Click the box to join this amazing team.

Amy's House Domestic Violence Shelter offers support services and assistance for women and children survivors of domestic abuse.

The Denver Community Garden needs your Help on August 16<sup>th</sup> as we gather to harvest and plant cucumbers and maintain the garden. The group also meets on Tues, Thurs, and Sat mornings. Click the box for details.

The Asbury Resource Center (ARC) serves students with clothing needs in Lincoln County. Volunteers are needed to process donations and switch clothing from summer to fall. Contact Leslie if able to help with upcoming events. Please see current needs listed below.

The Lincoln County DSS Foster Care Program currently has 79 children in foster care, 36 foster homes, and 24 children cleared for adoption. More foster parents are needed. The next class is Aug 21 - Oct 28. Click this box for details. They currently are in need of pull-ups.

The Backpack for Kids shelves are VERY low and food donations are needed to fill the summer boxes and prepare for the school Backpack for Kids program starting up again in September. The Amazon link for donation needs is below.

Battleground Elementary is starting a program to improve the skills of those students who are reading below grade level.

Having Mentors who can commit to one hour a week is critical to the success of the program. To receive additional information or to sign up, click here to email Bob Smith.

East Lincoln Christian Ministry needs volunteers to deliver home meals to neighbors. Each route has 6-12 homes to deliver to. Volunteers drive as little as once a month. Their food pantry needs are listed below. Volunteers are needed at the Family Fashion location on Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Click [here](#) for more information.

## Upcoming Events

Every Tues - Sort donations for Furnish a Future, 9-11am

Every Tues - Sort clothing donations at the ARC, 10:00am-3:00pm

Aug 8-9 Volunteers are needed at Room in the Inn. Click the RITI box to sign up.

August 9 Free Back to School Events for Love Denver and West Lincoln Student Fest- Register online

Aug 16 Thompson Chapel Back to School event 12-2pm

Aug 16 Help at the Garden 8:30!

Aug 29 Room in the Inn Summer service. Contact Carol Brown to sign up

Sept 2 iCare free Roof Repair and replacement begins for qualified Homeowners Contact [icare-inc.org](http://icare-inc.org)

Sept 8 Next Helping Hands mtg

Sept 15-19 Hurricane Helene Relief Mission Trip.

Contact Dale Webster for information or to sign up [webstede@gmail.com](mailto:webstede@gmail.com)

Oct 25 Soul to Soul 5K event. Sponsors needed



**“Love each other with genuine affection and take delight in honoring each other!**

**Romans 12:10**

**Building and Repair Team Finishing the Battleground Playground Project**

## Volunteer Opportunities and Ministry Updates (continued)

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Frugal Friends provides financial assistance and education through the Financial Literacy Program. The team has decided to be more available to mentor and make a lasting impact on those we assist. Click this box for more information about becoming a mentor. Training is provided.

Journey of Hope is devoted to helping the unsheltered and those that are in danger of becoming homeless. Urgent needs during this high heat season include non-perishable food items listed below.

The King's Daughters Ministry has one spot available in their Emerald House Residency Program and one available in their NON-Residency GEM Program. Click for more information.

Furnish a Future is in need of volunteers to assist with sorting donations and delivering furniture. It would be a blessing to tap into the next generation to assist with the deliveries. Please see the needs list below. Donations are received Tuesdays between 9 and 11 as long as the church is open.

The Lakewood TV Project allows community members to support residents of Lakewood Care Center by sponsoring television service. We purchased tv's and provide monthly cable service for everyone able to work a remote control. The cost for a year of service is for each room is about \$100. If you're interested in supporting or leading this ministry, click [here](#).

Gaston Community Action is currently serving 16 clients with counseling, housing, job search, etc. Jen, from Soul to Soul is assisting clients with issues related to employment-furnished health insurance. Click this box to email about other volunteer opportunities.

Moms & Munchkins (M&M's) give teen parents skills needed to keep their children safe and thriving in a stable home and offers encouragement and support for these families. Click for details.

The Heartbeats Women's Center is very busy transitioning into their new building. The agency's annual Fall Walk for Life is scheduled for September 21<sup>st</sup>. Click this box for additional information.

Lincoln County's Room in the Inn ministry hosts unhoused neighbors Friday evenings and Saturday mornings July 11th through Aug 30<sup>th</sup>. Additional volunteers are needed this week! Click here to sign up!

Hesed House of Hope Homeless Shelter currently has some availability in the shelter in the Women's and Men's sections. There is also one Family Room available at this time. They are also in need of supplies that are listed on their Facebook page. They are also in need of snacks that can be distributed at check in. See below or their website for the list of needs.

Soul to Soul Outreach continues to advocate for unsheltered and indigent neighbors who are enduring the summer heat. Sponsors are needed for their 5K Run to be held on 10/25/2025 at Sally's Y. See below for a list of current needs.

**Hurricane Helene Relief Opportunity**  
We have an opportunity to serve those neighbors still suffering from the effects of Hurricane Helene. If you are interested in joining the team for this 5-day trip on September 15-19thm please contact Dale Webster at [webstede@gmail.com](mailto:webstede@gmail.com) for additional information or to sign up.

Sunrise Resource Center Outreach Center is running a summer reading program for children in the community. Click for more information about the ministry.



## Current Needs

Most items may be brought to DUMC  
Monday-Thursday, 10:00am-3:00pm.

### ASBURY RESOURCE CENTER (ARC)

Boys clothing, especially jeans size 2-18  
Source for donations of large paper bags with handles  
(recommended size 16" x18" x 6"). The ARC uses  
about 1000 bags a year.

### BACKPACKS FOR KIDS

Canned meat  
Hearty meals: Ravioli, Hormel Compleats, Canned  
soups and stews, Hamburger Helper  
(multiples of 48 are preferable)

### DSS FOSTER CARE

Click [here](#) for complete list of items and volunteer  
opportunities.

### FURNISH A FUTURE

Counterop microwaves  
Queen, full, and twin mattress covers  
New standard and queen bed pillows  
Queen, full, and twin sheet sets and full size blankets -  
(not throws)  
Queen and full mattresses  
Bath and hand towels  
Silverware  
Kitchen Utensils

### JOURNEY OF HOPE

Non-perishable food:  
Chicken/tuna salad  
Vienna sausages,  
Fruit cups

### SOUL TO SOUL OUTREACH

Bug spray  
Men and women's shorts  
Moisture wicking shirts  
Men and women's sneakers, size 6-13  
New underwear  
Sport bras  
5K Sponsors needed for October 5K event

## Opportunities for Ministry Support

through Amazon/Walmart Wish Lists

### BACKPACKS FOR KIDS

Provides food for monthly pick up during summer  
months for local children to enjoy- click [here](#).

### DSS FOSTER CARE

Supports foster families with needed supplies - click  
[here](#).

### FURNISH A FUTURE

Provides furniture and household goods for families  
starting over - For the Amazon wish list, click [here](#). For  
the Walmart list, click [here](#).

### HEARTBEATS WOMEN'S CENTER

Provides free pregnancy tests, ultrasounds,  
counseling, and needed supplies for women  
experiencing an unexpected pregnancy. To  
provide needed items for these moms, click [here](#).

### HESED HOUSE OF HOPE HOMELESS SHELTER

The only homeless shelter in Lincoln County provides  
food, shelter, laundry, education, and more to otherwise  
unsheltered neighbors - click [here](#).

### JOURNEY OF HOPE

Provides outreach, food/meals, blessing bags, financial  
assistance and budgeting guidance for unsheltered and  
others near homeless - click [here](#).

### SOUL TO SOUL OUTREACH

Support Lincoln County's unhoused neighbors by  
providing needed items through this ministry - click  
[here](#).



[Click Here to Volunteer at Love Denver, Aug 9th!](#)