

Volunteer Opportunities and Ministry Updates

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

Amy's House Domestic Violence Shelter currently has 28 residents. The shelter offers support services and assistance for women and children survivors of domestic abuse. Donation needs are below.

Gail Satterthwaite has taken the volunteer scheduling role at Amy's
Closet in Denver where currently around 65 are staffing the store Tues–Sat, morning and evening shifts. New volunteers are welcome.
Applications are available in the store.
Proceeds from Amy's Closet support the operation of Amy's House.

School is out for the summer, but boxes of food will be available for our Backpacks for Kids families to pick up monthly over the summer. Our shelves are VERY low and food donations are needed to fill the summer boxes. The Amazon link for donation needs is below.

The Asbury Resource Center (ARC) held two shopping days in May – 180 children from Sunrise Community and 174 referrals from school social workers. Please see current needs listed below.

Battleground Elementary is starting a program to help students who are reading below grade level to improve this vital skill. Mentors are needed. For more information, click here to email Bob. The Building and Repair Team built five ramps last month, along with a wood swing and planter at the Sunrise Community. Click the box to join this team.

Proceeds from May's Charlie Blackburn Memorial Golf Tournament exceed \$28,000. Next year's tournament date is April 27th This event is one of the primary sources of funding for Helping Hands ministries.

The Denver Community Garden is producing so many blackberries that have been donated to ELCM! We'll start filling the Backpacks for Kids summer food boxes and summer kids' camp bags as more produce is harvested. Volunteers are welcome Tues, Thurs, and Sat mornings beginning at 8:00 am. Click the box for details.

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, 9:00-11:00am

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

June 14 Caregiver Support Group meeting at Pursuit Church 10am-12pm

July 7 Next Helping Hands meeting, DUMC Chapel, 10:30am

July 11 Beginning of Summer

Room in the Inn Ministry

The Lincoln County DSS Foster Care Program currently has 79 children in foster care, 35 foster homes, and 23 children cleared for adoption. In May, they honored our Foster Parents with a "western" themed event at Hartsoe Farm. They graciously donated their event space, decorated, provided entertainment, DJ service, volunteers for childcare and meal serving! A Foster care Lake Day sponsored by LKN Denver Rotary Club will be June 7th. The families enjoy this annual event! For questions or to have a social worker speak to your group about fostering click here

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yourself out for the hungry and satisfy the desire of the afflicted, then shall your light rise in the darkness." Isaiah 58:10

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Frugal Friends continues to provide 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. Because of this and limited funds, we are significantly decreasing the number of neighbors we serve each month. Click this box if you are interested in becoming a Frugal Friend mentor. Training is provided.

The King's Daughters Ministry has one spot available in their Emerald House Residency Program and one available in their NON-Residecy GEM Program. PRAISE: They have been promised a used car in good condition for an upcoming graduate. She is looking for a job that will enable her to care for her 3 children and needs prayers for difficulties and discouragement that accompany this process. Click for more information.

Journey of Hope is devoted to helping the unsheltered and those that are in danger of becoming homeless. See below for a list of current donation needs. .

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.

Soul to Soul Outreach continues to advocate for unsheltered and indigent neighbors. One of their homeless clients is moving into King's Daughter facility. Their 5K Run will be 10/25/2025 at Sally's Y. See below for a list of current needs.

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

Hesed House of Hope Homeless Shelter is housing fewer neighbors while facility repairs/updates are being done. Hopefully work will begin soon on two duplexes on the Hesed House campus.

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Current Needs

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

AMY'S HOUSE Toilet paper

ASBURY RESOURCE CENTER (ARC)

Boys clothing, especially jeans size 5-18 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 <u>here</u> for complete list of items and volunteer opportunities.

EAST LINCOLN CHRISTIAN MINISTRY FOOD MINISTRY

Complete pancake mix and syrup Powdered Milk

FURNISH A FUTURE

All appliances, especially counterop microwaves Queen, full, and twin mattress covers New standard and queen bed pillows Full, and twin sheet sets Queen and full mattresses

JOURNEY OF HOPE

Bug spray

Sunscreen

Peanut butter and other nonperishable foods

LOVE DENVER

Gently used children's clothing (due end of June)

SOUL TO SOUL OUTREACH

Bug spray

Men and women's shorts

Men and women's sneakers, size 6-13

New underwear

Sport bras

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 <u>here</u>.

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 <u>here</u>. 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 <u>here</u>.

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 <u>here</u>.

JOURNEY OF HOPE

Provides outreach, food/meals, blessing bags, financial assistance and budgeting guidance for unsheltered and others near homeless - click <u>here</u>.

SOUL TO SOUL OUTREACH

Support Lincoln County's unhoused neighbors by providing needed items through this ministry - click <u>here</u>.

