



Love INC

Love In the Name of Christ

April 2018 Newsletter

“There is no doubt God wanted us here. I am glad we came.”

“Volunteering here really helped me.”

“I finally found my special ministry.”

Love INC volunteers have helped thousands of people in the course of the ministry since we opened in 2009 it is also evident that God has used the ministry to draw volunteers and those in the church closer to him as well. What a privilege to hear how those who are blessing others are also be blessed, and recognize God working in them. These individuals are serving weekly to monthly those that are in need all around us. They are following the two greatest

commandments: **loving God and loving our neighbors.** Whether it's

praying on the phone, delivering needed furniture, informing one of the food pantries, delivering some hygiene products, kitchen items, a bed, or linens people are being encouraged both the client and the volunteer.

In the first three months there has been 220+ people take part in volunteering so far. Some are on the phones, others organizing, and some volunteers interacting with the client and meeting their area of need. **Love INC's volunteers are the key to making Love INC work properly.** Whatever your gift and abilities are we have room to plug you in. Join us, let us plug you in, and see how you can make an impact on our community by simply serving!



From those YOU have assisted.

"Thank you for helping someone in a hurry on a day that was raining real hard. I want you to know you are appreciated in all you do."

"Thank you for coming to my home. I had nothing, but now I do. The people who came were real and that meant a lot. Thanks for the peace you gave."

"I just wanted to call and say thank you for all you have done for me. I'm continuously reminded of the workers visit to my place."



Many people that are struggling are experiencing the love of Christ and his strength because YOU give.

**Over 80 homes
have been
reached in
2018.**

The total impact can't be done by one person or even one church. It takes the unified effort to help some of those that call. From the time the person calls until the follow up is done after the need being met the family in need may have been exposed to 15 people. In one case nine of our Gap Ministries were used to bring hope to a struggling mom and her three kids. Items and people is like peanut butter and jelly in this ministry. Both are needed, and God allows things to fit well for his glory.



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4. Click our name.
5. Click the donate button.

Thank you for giving to Love INC and helping us meet our goal!



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Your financial giving is greatly needed. Our staff is currently working on a part time status and we want to bring that to full time, and have an even larger impact than has been shared here. Our director would love to meet with you if you have questions or want to learn more of this great work. Consider giving today. You can give online at our website or mail your gift to us. See our contact info below to the left.



- Family of 5 coping with an unexpected loss in the family.
- Pray that Love INC may become fully funded so we may continue.
- Board members for the ministry. We could use four.
- Physical protection for the many volunteers that go out into homes of people they don't know, but they do love and care for.
- Pray that through our work many will see their need for the Savior.

- Thank you NAPA for the recent sponsorship through Oil Change for Charity.
- Thank you Waterman Community Chest for recognize the crucial work we do again through your financial gift.



A call was received from a school social worker of a family she was working with. The parent called the clearinghouse and things began. A home that had been empty for some time was now filled with furniture, kitchen items, beds, and dressers. Lamps were given to give light. We are thankful that agencies in our community see us as a viable resource that helps the clients they are also working with.

In all 11 Gap Ministries were used for this family and 23 caring individuals took part in connecting with them.

“Love your neighbor...”

“Thank you for helping. Two different people suggested I call last month, and I'm glad I did. Being here for a few months, and trying to fit in you are the first ones that helped emotionally. The prayers of the ones that came to my house were calming, and I'm looking forward to going to their church.”

This individual received some furniture items, kitchen, linen, and bedding. People support was also given, and from what she shared our volunteers made and impact.

“When did we see you sick...”

The older lady in need of medication assistance was helped. She only needed help with the Copay so it was a doable and important assistance. She was relieved that we could assist.

Although the copay was only \$30 it still was a burden for her as she was not feeling well, and on limited income. She was met at Walgreens, we got her medication, and said a quick prayer with her. Part of proper healing is rest, mediation, and for some a encouraging group behind you. Love INC provides that.

“When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?” “The King will reply, ‘Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.” -**Matthew 25:39-40**