

## GET INVOLVED

### Thursday Lunches

This is a team of volunteers at St. Luke's that prepares & distributes sack lunches to people experiencing hunger and homelessness. The sack lunches are prepared Thursdays at 10:30am in the Kitchen and delivered to Denver Public Library to be safely distributed to housing insecure individuals.

Volunteer opportunities:

- Help with preparing sack lunches
- Donations of items used for lunches
- Delivering lunches to Denver Public Library

Contact: Sam Leahy at sam@stlukeshr.com

### Blue Bin

This St. Luke's mission supports Veterans who are in transition housing at the Colorado Coalition for the Homeless.

Volunteer opportunities:

- Donate non-perishable goods
- Transport donated items to CCH

Contact: Dave Laurvick at dlaurvick5@gmail.com

### Sedalia Elementary Reading & Math Buddy program

This program pairs volunteers with grade school students to support basic reading and math skills to master their academic success.

Volunteer opportunities:

- Volunteer at with reading & math support at the school

Contact: Sam Leahy at sam@stlukeshr.com

### Feeding of the 5000

St. Luke's annual fall food drive, supporting the Food Exchange Resource Network (FERN) & St. Andrew Market, is a St. Luke's tradition. In partnership with St. Andrew UMC, we collect food for distribution to the hungry in our community.

Volunteer Opportunities:

- Participate on the steering committee to help organize
- Contact stores to collect donations
- Sign up to collect the food at stores
- Drive trucks to the participating stores
- Sort food at St. Luke's

St. Luke's contact: Amy Antinoro at rkymtrph@hotmail.com

### Advent Giving Tree & Lenten Missions

These are both annual traditions which offer opportunities to support many of our mission partners. Our Lenten Mission typically collects needed items for one of our partners. The Advent Giving Tree is a

combination of donated items as well as monetary. Additional partners with the Giving Tree include Christmas in the Park, Honduras-Abundant Life School, and Field Elementary.

Contact Sam Leahy at [sam@stlukeshr.com](mailto:sam@stlukeshr.com)

**HAAT Force** - [www.haatforce.org](http://www.haatforce.org)

HAAT Force provides severe weather motel vouchers to people experiencing homelessness in the South Metro area. HAAT Force also provides food for motel stays and connections to community resources.

Volunteer Opportunities:

- Serve at our voucher events this winter season
- Pick up a donation of food or hygiene items; help stock and organize donations
- Help plan and support fundraising events
- Organize a donation drive. Use our Amazon Wishlist! ([https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/Y5TD9VYXQVE2/ref=hz\\_ls\\_biz\\_ex](https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/Y5TD9VYXQVE2/ref=hz_ls_biz_ex)) or go to the web site and click on the link. Donations can include shelf-stable food, such as shelf-stable milk, and frozen meals.
- Write thank you notes or help with other office and supply storage projects
- Advocate and reach out to potential supporters
- Provide professional services pro-bono to the organization - sometimes we could use a few minutes with a lawyer, HR expert, tax specialist or grant writer
- Follow us on Facebook, Instagram and LinkedIn
- Cook a meal for our voucher events

To get connected to our volunteer family, contact Program Director Julie Hall at [jhall@aatforce.org](mailto:jhall@aatforce.org)  
St. Luke's contact: Betsy Keyack at [bkeyack@att.net](mailto:bkeyack@att.net)

**Giving Heart** - [givingheartenglewood.com](http://givingheartenglewood.com)

A drop-in center for people experiencing homelessness. Giving Heart provides breakfast, lunch, laundry, showers, medical assistance, clothing and hygiene items, mailboxes, computer access, listening ears, a peaceful and welcoming place to relax, and several on-site nonprofit community resources.

See web site to volunteer to:

- Bring a hot lunch meal for 70 guests – really appreciated!
- Complete the volunteer interest form on the web site
- Bring donations of adult clothing and hygiene items, sleeping bags and blankets

Contact: Donna Zimmerman at [givingheartenglewood@gmail.com](mailto:givingheartenglewood@gmail.com)

### **Bridge House**

Bridge House offers a sidewalk-to-housing continuum of programs for adults experiencing homelessness that include basic needs, social enterprises and the Ready to Work program. Ready to Work is a live-in program that changes lives through paid employment, housing and case management.

You can support Bridge House by volunteering to help serve meals or purchasing meals or Bridge House brownies from their Community Table Kitchen culinary arts program Social Enterprise. CTK provides individuals with the skills needed to thrive in the food service industry.

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Bridge House, 4175 S. Windermere, Englewood, Christy Smith,  
Program Director, Christy Smith at [christy@bhrtw.org](mailto:christy@bhrtw.org)

### **Florence Crittenton** - [flocritco.org](http://flocritco.org)

Florence Crittenton Services provides care & support for teen moms and their children. It is a year-round family resource center providing access to education, mental & physical healthcare, and support all in one place for moms and their children. St Luke's has supported FloCrit with diaper drives & fulfilling Christmas wish lists for the moms & children.

Volunteer Opportunities:

- Help in Baby Bucks, basic needs store
- Help in the Mercado, food pantry
- Family Engagement events
- Special events
- Office admin support

Contact: Michelle Baldwin at [mbaldwin@flocritco.org](mailto:mbaldwin@flocritco.org)

### **Colorado Feeding Kids** - [www.cofeedingkids.org](http://www.cofeedingkids.org)

Colorado Feeding Kids provides nutritious meals to families, schools, food banks, and others in Colorado and around the world. A fun event for families, volunteers can pack meals that are given free of charge to those experiencing food insecurity.

Volunteer Opportunity:

- On the first and third Saturday of every month, you can pack meals at their Aurora warehouse, family friendly

Contact- Gail Coombs at [info@cofeedingkids.org](mailto:info@cofeedingkids.org) 720.560.2354

### **Pura Vida** - [www.puravida.org](http://www.puravida.org)

Supports indigenous people in the rural Western Highlands of Guatemala. The primary mission is education of children in that area. Nearly every year St. Luke's members participate in mission trips to Guatemala to foster relationships and construct homes.

Volunteer/Support Opportunities:

- Sponsor a student for their education
- Donate for home construction
- Letter translator
- Letter reviewer

- Event volunteer
- Public relations

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St. Luke's Mission Trip Team Leader: Betsy Keyack at [bkeyack@att.net](mailto:bkeyack@att.net)

**We Don't Waste** - [www.wedontwaste.org](http://www.wedontwaste.org)

We Don't Waste works to reduce hunger and food waste in the Denver area by recovering quality, unused food from the food industry and delivering it to nonprofit partners, such as food pantries, soup kitchens, shelters, schools and daycare programs, and more. They also sponsor Mobile Food Markets in neighborhoods lacking access to affordable, nutritious food.

Volunteer Opportunities:

- Assist at a mobile food market (knowledge of some Spanish is helpful but not necessary)
- Recover food from donors
- Help with projects at the Food Recovery Hub
- Food audits

Contact: [volunteer@wedontwaste.org](mailto:volunteer@wedontwaste.org)

**Love INC** - [loveinlittleton.org](http://loveinlittleton.org)

Love In the Name of Christ (Love INC) offers a holistic approach to caring for people in all areas of life: spiritual, mental, emotional, relational, material, and physical. Love INC Littleton mobilizes local churches to transform lives and communities In the Name of Christ. We partner with churches, connecting neighbors in need with the resources each church provides. Sometimes that looks like diapers, clothing, furniture, food, transportation, or life coaching. St. Luke's is one of dozens of participating area churches.

Volunteer Opportunities:

- Connection Center-reception, intake volunteer, resourcing
- Work at Renewed Treasures
- Impact Team-support team, coaches, class facilitator
- Transportation
- Admin support

Contact: [loveinlittleton.org/join-us/#](http://loveinlittleton.org/join-us/#)

**Warren Village** - [warrenvillage.org](http://warrenvillage.org)

Warren Village is a Colorado nonprofit serving unhoused and unstably housed low-income single-parent families in the Denver area. We provide families with the space and resources to achieve economic mobility and navigate and disrupt systems of poverty. Warren Village utilizes a 2Gen (two-generation) approach to empower both parents and their children through life-skills classes, a high-quality Early Learning Center, education and career support, and resource navigation. St. Luke's members have supported this organization for over 25 years.

Volunteer opportunities:

- Facilitate a life skills class
- Hold a supply drive

- Provide evening childcare
- Kids Club
- Tutoring
- Help with a family night

Contact: Hunter Wagner at [hwagner@warrenvillage.org](mailto:hwagner@warrenvillage.org)

**UMCOR** (United Methodist Committee on Relief) - [www.umcor.org](http://www.umcor.org)

UMCOR works in communities left vulnerable by disaster; working alongside United Methodist churches and local partners to address immediate needs, as well as achieve sustainable recovery. UMCOR also sponsors projects to address root causes of hunger, improve community health, and assist refugees.

To see volunteer opportunities please [umcmmission.org/get-involved](http://umcmmission.org/get-involved)