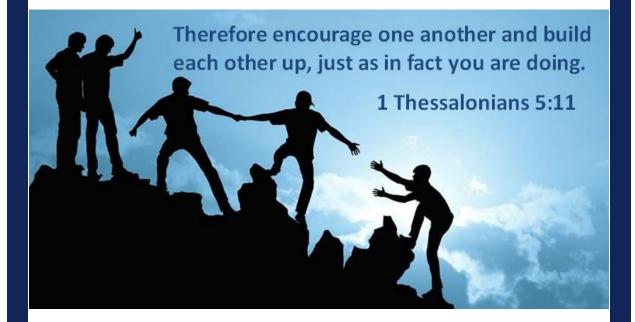


Thursday, September 7, 2023



Greetings to Love INC Friends!

There's something about the cool mornings, later sunrises, and school busses that create a new rhythm and bigger to-do-list. Students are back

in school, church programs are in full swing, and the holidays seem a breath away.

Love INC is busy planning for a new IMPACT session beginning September 21, and The Gathering on October 13. We are also searching for the next team members to guide the Connection Center, Church Engagement, and Marketing and Communication. See more info about these positions <u>HERE</u>. We appreciate your prayers and connections.

As you prepare for all God has for you and your loved ones, please receive our gratitude for your support. Perhaps your support is prayers for the ministry and those we serve, or time spent in service at Love INC or your church or community, or donations of dollars or goods.

We value and need it all. Thank you!

Kathryn Roy, Executive Director kathryn@loveinclittleton.org

Connecting Churches and Local Christians

Fall IMPACT Kicks off on September 21!

Want to restore your financial, relational, emotional, and spiritual health and kickstart your dreams?

Affirming Potential
Boundaries
Daily Life Skills
Overcome
Redemptive Compassion



These are the classes being offered at IMPACT this next session, beginning September 21...and there is something for everyone!

Don't miss your chance to sign up to learn valuable skills, meet new friends, and be a part of a community that cares. Check out class descriptions and register **HERE**

Click here to hear from stories from some IMPACT attendees!



Want to check out what IMPACT is all about before you register?

Come to "A Taste of IMPACT" on Thursday, September 14, 6:00-7:30 at South Fellowship Church.

RSVP HERE

The Gathering 2023



Love In the Name of Christ invites YOU to join us...bring a friend, bring your small group. Come and see how dozens of churches and hundreds of volunteers are putting God's love on display!

RSVP for The Gathering!

Who...and what...are Firstfruits Donors?

Firstfruits Donors are generous supporters who provide the "firstfruits" for The Gathering, so that fundraising is not the primary goal of the event.

The Gathering is a celebration event for everyone...churches, community, and volunteers. Thanks to many generous business sponsors, church sponsors, and firstfruits donors, The Gathering does raise money to support Love INC throughout the year.

For more information on being a Firstfruits Donor...click HERE

Celebrating Service and Leadership

Welcome to the Love INC Board of Directors, Billy Brand and Don Sheely!



Billy Brand and his wife Stacey attend Foothills Bible Church. Billy served as outreach pastor at his church, and brings valuable perspective to the board. Stacey is a leader and facilitator at IMPACT. Fun fact: Stacey first learned about Love INC when she shopped at Renewed Treasures while her car was being serviced at McDonald Hyundai!



Don Sheely and his wife Judy attend Centennial Covenant Church. Don is a fundraising professional currently at The Navigators, and brings valuable expertise to the board. Judy has been the Wednesday and Thursday afternoon receptionist at Love INC for more than a year. Both Don and Judy have attended IMPACT classes.

Transforming Lives & Communities

Navigation Celebrations

Love INC Volunteers train to be "Navigators" so they can encourage and walk alongside people facing significant life challenges. After weeks or months of working together, Navigators and those they are serving reflect on, and celebrate all God has done.

Comments from one who received navigation:

"I was so overwhelmed and lost...in such a dark place."

"My Navigator helped me heal & helped me grow."

"God's plan for my life is really coming true."

Here are photos from some recent Navigation Celebrations.







Community Activities

Community Participation!

Love INC volunteers and staff are always ready to participate in community activities. Here are a few from the previous month:

- Connection Center Volunteers participated in community resource fairs sponsored by South Metro Housing Options on Aug 18 & 25.
- Kathryn Roy presented Love INC's driving ministry to Transportation Solutions Arapahoe County on August 21.
- Terry Bate presented IMPACT to 40+ local leaders on Change The Trend Network on August 31.

You are Invited!



North Littleton Promise the first to move into the newly-purposed East Community Center, making them a new neighbor to Love INC. All are welcome to celebrate with them at their open house on Mon, Sept 11 from 5:30-7:30.

https://www.northlittletonpromise.org/



Giving Heart serves our unhoused or underhoused neighbors with dignity and love. Once a part of Love INC, Giving Heart has grown in many ways...one of which is showers and laundry facilities that are coming soon. Join their open house on Wednesday, September 27 from 10-2pm. Giving Heart is located at 4358 S. Broadway, Englewood 80113.

https://givingheartenglewood.com/



Foothills CROP Hunger Walk is Sunday October 8 at Clement Park at 1:00pm. Love INC receives local funds from this multigenerational and meaningful event. Walk with your Neighbors...Walk with the World!

https://events.crophungerwalk.org/2023/event/foothillsco

Searching for The Garden Gang!

The first step in any transformation is admitting you need help.

Love INC is seeking transformation of our yard and garden. And we admit that we need help.

Would you like to help start "The Garden Gang" for Love INC?



We're seeking a few willing (talent optional) gardeners to commit two hours a month to help beautify our yard, providing a welcoming environment for all. The first official work session is Wednesday, Sept 27 from 3:00-5:00pm at Love INC's office, 5745 S. Bannock St.

Email <u>kathryn@loveinclittleton.org</u> for more information.

Putting God's Love on Display

Renewed Treasures...Resale Store and More!



Thanks to all the Renewed Treasures Shoppers, Donors, and Volunteers!

For several months in a row, **YOU** have brought record-breaking sales to benefit Love INC and the community!

Renewed Treasures is often where people learn about Love INC (see Stacey Brand's story above).

Renewed Treasures is a place to find your treasures...not only on the shelves, but in your heart, and with the volunteers and shoppers.



Happy 94th Birthday Bob!

Many Renewed Treasures customers become friends...and Bob is both.

Renewed Treasures manager Linda Jeffries was delighted to plan a suprise birthday celebration for Bob in August!



As is often the case, our volunteers/customers/supporters overlap in the most beautiful way! Irma Karnes was the Lucky 11th Customer at Renewed Treasures on August 11th, at their 11th Anniversary Sale. She was surprised and happy to get her order FREE!

Then, a week later, Irma gathered her friends to spend hours in the Love INC Conference Room preparing the mailing of the fall newsletter! Irma has lead this team for many years...and was one of Love INC's first volunteers!

See the Love INC Fall Newsletter

Diapers and Drivers



Did you know that Love INC has TWO diaper distributions each month, and diapers about 30 babies regularly? That's a lot of diapers...and the families are so grateful.

If your church would like to have a diaper drive this fall, email info@loveinclittleton.org to get started!



Did you know that Love INC is one of the few places that offers door-to-door service for people in need of transportation to essential appointments? Do you have four wheels and a big heart?

Consider becoming a Love INC Driver ...and start HERE!

Current Volunteer Needs:

- **Renewed Treasures** is seeking volunteers that will be able to lift up to 20 lbs and serve regularly at the store.
- Drivers are needed to help clients get to and from important appointments, creating fellowship and friendship in the process.
- Connection Center volunteers are on the front line of needs in our community. Can you give 3 hours a week to this minsitry?

Please complete the Volunteer Application <u>HERE</u> if you would like more information on these opportunities.







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