



Love INC
Love In the Name of Christ

Love INC of South Albuquerque

Helping Churches Help People

Love News

October 2009

Message from the Executive Director

Love INC is a network of 140 affiliates in 30 states with 3 currently in New Mexico. With over 100 churches in southeast and southwest Albuquerque, we chose to serve this part of the community when we became the newest member of Love INC in 2007. We know this area of Albuquerque has many families in need. We also know that many of the churches in this area are burdened in their ability to minister to the needs of their neighbors, not to mention their own members. Since opening our doors in November 2007, we have received over 1000 calls for help. God has blessed us through the commitment and action of our 13 partner churches to address these needs and be the salt and light to the families in this community. I have made the commitment to visit with pastors and speak in worship services of as many churches in this community as possible over the coming year in an effort to get more churches to partner with us. Just consider the thousands of families that can be transformed physically and spiritually through the commitment of additional churches. Love INC depends on the people of God to serve the less fortunate and in the words of Bob Odom, our national president, "all we are asking Christians to do is live out who they say they are." Please pray for our efforts to bear fruit.

In His service, Josh Speakman

Cheerfully share your home with those who need a meal or a place to stay. God has given gifts to each of you from his great variety of spiritual gifts. Manage them well so that God's generosity can flow through you.

1 Peter 4:9-10

Grace Church

Letter from a Partner Church

I often get people coming into Grace Church asking for help and, in the past, I always struggled with what to do to help them. Now I feel good about referring them to Love INC. I have not gotten any feedback one way or another from these people or from Love INC about any referral ... but I am confident that if they connect with Love INC they will be helped.

I really appreciate having Love INC as a resource.

I have connected many people of Grace and my church to Love INC. with donations they have and I am encouraged to continue doing that.

At my church in the Alameda Community, our Women's Group works with Albuquerque Rescue Mission Women of Hope. We provided all the furniture for the first graduate from that program when she got her own apartment but we cannot always do that for each new graduate. There is a recent graduate who will get her place within the next month or so and I am hoping that the Love INC furniture ministry can help ministry these new graduates.

- Letter from Sylvia

As the Spirit of the Lord works within us, we become more and more like Him and reflect His glory even more.

2 Corinthians 3:18

Partner Churches

Love INC of South Albuquerque – October 2009

Volunteer of the Month

Desert Light Christian Christ (*Brethren in Christ*)
Christ Church
First United Methodist Church
Faith Bible Church
Family Church
Grace Church
Highland Baptist Church
Hoffmantown Church
Joshua's Vineyard
Mars Hill
New Horizon Church
Sandia Church of the Nazarene
St. Johns United Methodist Church

Blair has been a very faithful volunteer, coming to Love INC twice a week since the ministry started. She is very willing to do whatever is needed, but focuses on helping schedule donation pickups, which are a very important part of this ministry. Donations are much needed every weekend because Love INC delivers beds and linens, kitchen items, dressers, and kitchen tables and chairs to people without these basic needs. Blair coordinates with volunteers who pick up donations with the people in the community who are willing to donate. Blair always has a smile on her face, a positive attitude in all of her actions, and encourages other volunteers.

Current Needs

Bilingual help needed -- a Spanish speaking person to help us with our Spanish speaking clients. This volunteer position would be for a few hours weekly at our 8011 Central NE office.

Scheduling help needed. Volunteers to help with scheduling home repairs, yard work, deliveries, and home visits. This person needs to be able to come in at least one consistent day a week for a minimum of 4 hours. If you are an organized person that can help connect volunteers with clients, please call Sara at 505-255-5683.

Other needs:

- Twin and queen size bed linens are needed.
- Client needs help with roof repairs
- Kitchen tables and chairs.

Upcoming Events:

November 4th, 11 am

The next information sharing and volunteer recognition will be November 4th at our office located at 8011 Central NE. We will share what Love INC is currently doing and our plans for the next year. Our Board is in the process of developing a business plan and would like to share with you the future of Love INC of South Albuquerque. We will begin at 11 am with a potluck luncheon to follow at 12:30 pm. Please RSVP to the office, 505-255-5683.



You can help make a difference in the lives of people in need.

- I want to help with a monthly pledge of ___\$25 ___\$50 ___\$75 ___\$100 ___ Other
- One time gift of \$_____
- Choose Love INC as your designated United Way employee contribution.

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