

LENEXA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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Outreach Opportunities in the Kansas City Metropolitan Area

We look forward to hosting your group at our church facility. There are many outreach opportunities in the Kansas City area. We have compiled this list for our visiting groups as a beginning to finding meaningful work during your stay.

AFTER THE HARVEST (GLEANING)

(816) 921-1903

www.aftertheharvestkc.org

"After the Harvest" offers gleaning opportunities to volunteers from June through October. They work with farmers in Kansas and Missouri to glean their fields and orchards after the harvest, to gather up produce left behind by mechanical equipment and pickers. This fresh, locally grown food is delivered to food pantries and feeding agencies in close proximity to the farm where it is gleaned.

CENTER OF GRACE

520 South Harrison Olathe, KS 66061 (913) 764-1353

www.centerofgrace.center

Center of Grace serves meals on Wednesday and Thursday nights for about 300 persons. The work shift runs from 3:30 to about 8 pm, or so. They also have needs for painting and other projects. Their MAIN FOCUS is feeding the people.

CITY UNION MISSION

1100 East 11th Street in Kansas City, MO 64106 (816) 474-9380

www.cityunionmission.org

Since 1924, City Union Mission has provided warm beds, nutritious food and a place of safety for thousands of poverty-stricken and homeless men, women, and children. Founded by Rev. and Mrs. David Bulkley, the Mission's staff has been uncompromising in our commitment to share the Gospel of Jesus Christ with the hurting and the lost. City Union Mission receives no government support and is not a United Way agency. The Mission depends completely on the gifts of God's people - individuals, churches, groups, foundations, and businesses who have a heart for the poor and homeless in Kansas City.

CROSS-LINES COOPERATIVE COUNCIL

736 Shawnee Ave, Kansas City, KS 66105 (913) 281-3388 www.cross-lines.org

Crosslines serves the surrounding neighborhoods

in many ways. They also serve a hot lunch daily and need volunteers to assist with it. They also have a large community garden that volunteers can assist with. Other projects include home repair, yard work, food pantry, and a thrift store.

DELLA LAMB COMMUNITY SERVICES

500 Woodland Avenue, Kansas City, MO 64106 (816) 842-8040

www.delalamb.org

Della Lamb offers hope and assistance to lowincome Kansas City people of all ages. Programs are designed to create self-sufficiency through education and support services. Some of the service opportunities include helping in the food pantry or painting and organizing Della Lamb facilities.

DINNER'S ON US

9138 Caenen Lake Road Lenexa, KS 66215 (913) 888-5600

www.lenexaumc.org

Lenexa United Methodist Church provides a free community meal every Wednesday evening from 5:30-6:30 p.m. We serve sack meals of pulled pork or peanut butter and jelly sandwiches through a drive-through to around 80 people each week. We love when visiting groups help serve Dinner's On Us during their stay with us!

THE GIVING GARDEN

32400 W 127th St Olathe, KS 66061 www.resurrection.church/service-opportunities/the-giving-garden/

The Giving Garden is a community justice initiative to grow fresh, organic produce. The produce from this garden will go to our Resurrection Food Mobile and our Overland Park Food Pantry and be given away as a tangible sign of love to those facing food insecurity. We are happy to host your group for team building time, missions work, education, or just to spend some time outside getting your hands dirty.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

(816) 924-1096

www.habitatkc.org

Habitat KC will work with your group in a variety of ways to develop an impactful partnership that will transform lives. There are volunteer opportunities to build and rehabilitate decent, affordable homes in our focus neighborhoods or to volunteer at the ReStore sorting donations, taking inventory, and assisting customers.

HARVESTERS COMMUNITY FOOD NETWORK

3801 Topping Avenue Kansas City, MO 64129 (816) 929-3090

www.harvesters.org

Harvesters is so grateful for the work of volunteers, who bring their hearts and hands to the job of feeding hungry people! They could not feed 141,500 people every month without the dedication and service of volunteers.

Hours spent sorting food, assisting at special events or providing professional service equate to the work of an additional 96 full-time employees! They look forward to hearing from you and having you be a part of the effort to help solve hunger. Just two hours of your time can make a difference!

HEALING HOUSE

4400 St. John Avenue Kansas City, MO 64123 (816) 920-7181

www.healinghousekc.org

Healing House, Inc. is a faith-based substance abuse recovery organization working in the Kansas City metropolitan area. They provide safe and stable homes, with opportunities for spiritual and personal growth. They also provide purposeful guidance and support, for those who are committed to overcoming their addiction and becoming a responsible, productive, drug and alcohol free member of our community.

HILLCREST TRANSITIONAL HOUSING

738 N. 31st Street, Kansas City, KS 66102 (913) 400-2573

www.hillcrestkc.org/get-involved

Hillcrest Transitional Housing offers homeless families, singles & youth a disciplined educational program within a caring, supportive environment. Unlike many organizations whose focus is one-time or emergency care, Hillcrest's primary objective is to move clients from homelessness to self-sufficiency within 90 days by addressing the total life situation of the homeless families they serve; longer term transitional housing options may be available to clients with excessive barriers to housing. There are options to volunteer for the apartments or at the Lenexa thrift store.

HOPE FAITH

705 Virginia Avenue, Kansas City, MO 64106 (816) 471-4673

www.hopefaith.org

Hope Faith is Kansas City's only collaborative day center with on-site partners that provide a wide array of services including medical, vision, and dental as well as mental health, counseling, and case management. Hope Faith continually strives to work with area agencies and community partners to provide a wide array of services and

programs to meet the changing needs of our guests and community.

THE HUB ARGENTINE

3730 Metropolitan Ave., Kansas City, KS 66106 (913) 831-4531

www.thehubargentine.org

The Hub is a mission of the Kansas City District of the United Methodist Church working with churches across the Kansas City District to connect them to the Argentine and Wyandotte County communities. Their ministry is modeled on Asset Based Community Development which celebrates God's abundant gifts and creation in every individual. They have several programs including a clothing closet, community market, and community garden. There are opportunities for groups to volunteer in the various programs.

JOHNSON COUNTY CHRISTMAS BUREAU

www.jccb.org

In addition to the working at the annual Holiday Shop, we have a number of volunteer opportunities available year-round.

L'ARCHE HEARTLAND

8137 Santa Fe Dr Overland Park, KS 66204 (913) 341-2265 www.larcheks.org

L'Arche Heartland was founded in 1987 when we welcomed our first persons with intellectual/disabilities into the community. The community is comprised of five separate homes and two day services where core member (persons with disabilities) and assistants (persons who serve as care providers) live and share their lives.

If groups are simply interested in coming to volunteer we can always use help in yard maintenance. If they want to interact with our Core Members, we can schedule a time to share a meal or have them come and see what life is like in our homes.

LAZARUS MINISTRIES

3151 Olive, Kansas City, MO 64109 (816) 533-3138

www.lazminkc.org

The mission of Lazarus Ministries at Linwood United is to offer unlimited compassion while providing for the unmet needs of Kansas City's urban core. They exist to provide emergency services including food, clothing, medical care and shelter.

MICAH MINISTRY

606 Gladstone Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64124 (816) 231-0016

www.ibcckc.org/the-micah-ministry-1

The Micah Ministry is the urban, ecumenical outreach mission of Independence Boulevard Christian Church to the unhoused and food insecure people in the historic Northeast area of Kansas City, Missouri. The Micah Ministry began in 2001 as a mission designed to encourage Christian unity, end racism and "feed my sheep." (John 21:15-17) It is centered around a ministry of home-cooked meals in which faith-based and civic volunteers partner and seek to help our food vulnerable neighbors.

From 5:30p-7:00p every Monday, Micah offers a hot "to-go" meal, hygiene products, clothing, additional food items, a free medical clinic from Care Beyond the Boulevard, and items to support our house-less neighbors such as blankets, sleeping bags, tents, etc.

NEIGHBOR 2 NEIGHBOR

3551 Wabash Ave, Kansas City, MO 64109 (816) 606-4509

www.n2n4kc.com

It is the mission of Neighbor2Neighbor to provide meals and meet other daily needs in the context of a supportive community among homeless and near-homeless persons. There are volunteer opportunities to serve meals and volunteer in the thrift store.

OPERATION BREAKTHROUGH

3039 Troost, Kansas City MO 64109 (816) 756-3511

www.operationbreakthrough.org

Operation Breakthrough is the largest singlesite early education child care and social services facility in the state of Missouri serving over 400 children daily from the urban core.

The mission of Operation Breakthrough is to help children who are living in poverty develop to their fullest potential by providing them a safe, loving and educational environment.

Group volunteer opportunities including assisting in the outdoor classroom and playgrounds by helping with grounds maintenance and painting, cleaning, and organizing projects in our facility as needed.

PROJECT 1020

9400 Pflumm, Lenexa, KS 66215 (913) 219-3347 www.project1020.org

Project 1020 provides shelter, support, and compassion to all adults experiencing homelessness while helping them utilize community resources to achieve their goals. Project 1020 is a cold-weather shelter within walking distance of LUMC providing housing from December 1st through March 31st each year. Each night, volunteers provide a full-prepared dinner for 45 guests and volunteers.

RESTART

918 East 9th Street in Kansas City, Missouri (816) 472-5664

www.restartinc.org

ReStart a local nonprofit committed to providing housing and supportive services to homeless children, youth, families, men and women in Kansas City.

RONALD McDONALD HOUSE

(816) 842-8321 www.rmhckc.ora

The mission of Ronald McDonald House Charities of Kansas City is to reduce the burden of childhood illness on sick children and their families. We accomplish this by providing comfortable lodging convenient to local health care facilities, creating a caring and uplifting environment, and undertaking resource and fund development activities that support our facilities, programs, and services. There are 3

Ronald McDonald houses in Kansas City. Check out their web site for volunteer opportunities.

SOCIETY OF ST. ANDREW

GLEANING FARMER'S FIELDS FOR THE HUNGRY Midwest Headquarters (816) 921-0856

www.endhunger.org

The Society of St. Andrew, West (SoSA) works with farmers, growers, packers and other produce handlers to package and transport their unmarketable produce from their fields to food banks and agencies that feed the hungry. Just last year, they transported over 2.6 million lbs. of produce despite the challenges many farmers in our region had with wind storms, weather and flooding. This year they hope to reach 3 million.

To participate anywhere in the Midwest, contact the western headquarters at (816) 921-0856. Sign up early (springtime) to schedule summer and fall gleaning opportunities.

THELMA'S KITCHEN

3101 Troost Ave, Kansas City, Missouri 64109 (816) 298-9919

www.thelmaskitchen.org

Kansas City's first Donate-What-You-Can Café, Thelma's Kitchen, is a social venture community café that offers affordable access to healthy food. Volunteers work alongside our team of professional chefs to create entrees, sides, and prepare all the box lunches we serve to our community and neighbors.

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Please help us add to our list of outreach opportunities in our area. Write down what you know, and any contact information. Thank you!