

Did you know that:

## Our neighbours in need are only permitted to access the local food-bank once a month?

In addition to emergency grocery vouchers, LOV Ministries maintains a supply of emergency food packages that are delivered to neighbours in need of a helping hand. Each week we receive calls from individuals requesting help. LOVs are trained and equipped to assist our pastor in responding to calls. Calls continue to come in throughout the year, but the cold winter months require folks to spend precious dollars keeping warm. Sadly some of our neighbours must make difficult choices when it comes to budgeting. Calls from our neighbours in need generally request help with: food to tide people over until they can get help from other sources, vouchers to purchase pharmaceuticals (cold and flu remedies not generally covered by social services), bus tokens, advice or advocacy.

Your continued support ensures that we will be able to respond graciously to each and every call for help.

# Lutheran Outreach Volunteers



### YOU CAN HELP:

Volunteer to help prepare a meal at the Leslie Street House. Meals are prepared once a month.

Practice spiritual shopping and remember your neighbours when you shop. Purchase items for the Outreach Van and bring items to Church to be given to others.

Donate items to LOV food drives.

Purchase items for the Hygiene Kits. Volunteer to help assemble the Hygiene Kits.

Join the Global Justice Committee and add your wisdom to the work of ushering in God's Reign of Justice in the World.

Make a designated offering to Holy Cross' LOV Ministry Program. You can make a designated offering via your regular offering envelopes or use a LOV Ministry Envelope.

For more information email: globaljustice@holycrosslutheran.ca

Become a Lutheran Outreach Volunteer

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### LOV MINISTRIES

Lutheran Outreach Volunteers of Holy Cross Lutheran Church respond to our neighbours in need.

Whether that need is for an emergency food voucher or a friendly community meal, whether its across the street or across the globe, our volunteers are eager to help!

There's lots you can do to help!



#### YORK REGION STREET OUTREACH VAN

Lutheran Outreach Volunteers support the vital work of our community's Outreach Van by collecting donations that are passed on to the homeless who struggle daily in our neighbourhood.

Members of Holy Cross are adopting the spiritual practice of shopping for their neighbours each time they shop for their own family. By purchasing items which are passed on to our neighbours in need we are reminded of just how richly blessed we are. So, when you shop buy a little extra and LOVs will see to it that your generosity is passed along. Now that's Grace!

### Currently the Van needs:

Rip-top canned food, pudding cups, canned fruit cups, ready to eat soup, canned pasta sauce, bottled water, ziplock bags.

Small bottles of sunscreen, bug repellant, feminine hygiene products.

Women's underwear, Men's boxers, Socks (sports style)

Remember these items are for people who live on the streets, so imagine what you would need and be generous.





LOV
works with
Canadian Lutheran
World Relief,
supporting its
efforts to alleviate
suffering. Currently
LOV is collecting
items for CLWR's
We Care
Hygiene Kits

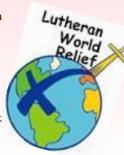
We Care Hygiene Kits bring comfort to the people of Haiti, who have lost so much. You can help by purchasing items and or volunteering to assembly the Hygiene Kits. LOV's are currently collecting items to supply basic toiletries to Haitians living in makeshift shelters.

Canadian Lutheran Relief has raised in excess of 1 million dollars for the victims of the earthquake in Haiti and continues to respond to the needs of people all over the world under the auspices of Lutheran World Relief.

LOV provides opportunities for the people of Holy Cross to participate in international relief work.

Each year LOV operates an alternative trade-fare that features products from fair-trade co-operatives.

LOV's Slices for Justice evenings highlight the work of local and international justice workers.





Holy Cross'
Global Justice
Committee
ensures that the
work of our
Lutheran
Outreach
Volunteers
continues.

Our Global Justice Committee provides opportunities for members to take on the task of ushering in God's reign of justice and peace in all the earth.

Working locally, nationally and internationally to promote justice Holy Cross' Global Justice Committee provides meaningful work for those who want to put their faith into action. Whether its providing a helping hand to our neighbors in need here in Newmarket, providing funds for international aid work, lending our voices to lobby for the poor, contributing to relief efforts, greening our church and homes, or raising funds for aid agencies, our Global Justice Committee provides opportunities to embody Christ's love for the world.

We always have room for others to join in this vital ministry. God's hands are our hands!

