

SGFMC Action for Justice News

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FOCUS ISSUE: "For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me..." Matthew 25: 35 CPD DISTRICT 15 – 5701 W. Madison (40-45 people)

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/u/0/d/10i-5qjG3zdgKAbYM4O8L1HMgRziIOooN HZ5DcpTFnI/htmlview#

"I'd be happy to speak with anyone about how to do this or to work with you to put together a meal, coordinate pick-up/drop-off, etc. Feel free to call/text me on my cell (773-240-2490)." Kelly Maginot (St. Giles Family Mass)

Thanks to several generous donors, "C-POP" (Catholic Parishes of Oak Park) is providing lunch on Fridays for the next several weeks.



HOUSING FORWARD – Volunteers and Food Providers needed for the SHELTER at St. Catherine/St. Lucy, 38 N. Austin Blvd. <u>https://www.housingforward.org/get-involved/volunteer</u>

Evening – 6:30p until 10:30p (3 volunteers) Overnight – 10:30p until 5:00a (2 volunteers) Morning – 5:00a until 7:00a (2 volunteers)

Breakfast Provider - Needs to be delivered AFTER 7p.m. the night BEFORE consumption. DO NOT DELIVER DURING THE DAY AS THE SHELTER IS CLOSED UNTIL 7 P.M. - Provide continental breakfast (fruit, muffin, juice) or boxed cereal (3) w/2 gallons of milk, instant oatmeal, or breakfast sandwiches for 25 individuals.

Lunch Provider (drop-off AFTER 7PM, day BEFORE consumption) – Provide bagged lunch for 15 guests to take with them as they leave the shelter. Lunch may include sandwiches, chips, fruit, cookies, bottled water and/of juice, etc.

Dinner Provider: *PLEASE DO NOT DELIVER BEFORE 7P.M., AS THE SHELTER IS CLOSED UNTIL THAT TIME. THANK YOU!* - Provide a family style buffet, ready-to-eat meal which will nourish and feed 15 guests at the shelter.



https://calendar.google.com/calendar/embed?src=fefd8h5hafc1f8kss2kv3fb954%40group.calendar.google.com& ctz=America%2FChicago

PROVIDE DINNER at **"The Crib**": When: Sat, July 22, 8pm – 9pm // Where: 1735 N Ashland Ave, Chicago, IL 60622, USA (map) The Crib provides young adults ages 18 through 24 with safe and supportive overnight emergency shelter, as well as life and leadership development skills. The Crib is able to house 25 guests 365 nights of the year. Open 7 nights a week from 8 pm to 10am.

Through the week we work with local caterer to provide meals. Through the generous support of our meal donors, we provide breakfast and dinner over the weekend. Volunteers plan a meal, buy their own groceries, prepare the meal at own location, bring the food to The Crib, and serve cafeteria-style. Guests have the opportunity to eat good food, get a good night's sleep, be part of a community, shower, do laundry, and share safe and affirming space.

If you are able to provide a meal please contact Andrew Hart, Volunteering Coordinator andrew@thenightministry.org.



https://www.gobeyondhunger.org/volunteer

Homebound older adults and individuals with disabilities can be particularly vulnerable to hunger due to health and mobility issues. For those unable to visit our Pantry themselves, we collaborate with Oak Park Township and Thresholds and other referral partners to deliver groceries to these neighbors in Oak Park, River Forest and a portion of Austin.

Every month, participants receive approximately 55 pounds of food, including eggs, meat, fresh produce, and a variety of grocery items tailored to their specific dietary needs. Participants are called each month to select their own groceries, which are then delivered to their home by volunteers.

If you are interested in coordinating a specialized food drive for the Home Delivery Program please email Program Coordinator Daisy Gabriel: <u>Daisy@GoBeyondHunger.org</u>.



"We welcome **volunteers** to assist with the day-to-day operations that make Oak Park Community Fridge possible. **Become a fridge manager to maintain our fridge, stock the fridge by distributing food from our partners, and help with behind-the-scenes operations**." <u>https://www.opfridge.com/volunteer</u>

