

BRIDGEWAY

Mission Statement

BRIDGEWAY: BUILDING NEW LIVES FOR PREGNANT TEENS

Goals and Objectives

- Breaking the cycle of physical and mental abuse through pre-birth parenting classes and observing the new mother's skills and behaviors
- Promoting higher self-esteem/self-confidence for mothers & babies
- Better bonding between mother and child and healthier relationships
- Educating pregnant teens regarding adoption/parenting options
- Healthier babies through quality pre-natal and post-natal care
- Observe and monitor new mothers for postpartum depression
- Helping teens who do not give up on life achieve high school and college graduation
- Encouraging teen mothers to gain the necessary job skills to successfully attain high-paying and meaningful employment
- Reduction and elimination of the pregnant woman's drug and/or alcohol abuse to prevent devastating birth defects
- Helping teens who have mastered life skills training allowing them to live independently
- Reduction in the rate of second teen pregnancies

Questionnaire:

1. Name and Address of Organization:

Bridgeway
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2. Key Contacts/Telephone Number/Email:

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3. Please describe briefly the mission and key activities of your organization:

Bridgeway is a small, non-profit organization that provides housing, support, and education for pregnant & parenting teens. We also offer on-site daycare for current & former resident's babies. Please see attached Mission Statement for more details.

4. Client base supported and geographic area represented:
Pregnant teens ages 16-21. The majority of the teens are from the Denver area.

5. Types of Support provided and frequency:
This is a home where the teens may live for up to 18 months. They are given life skills classes such as parenting, adoption, cooking, budgeting, etc. while living there. They meet with both a counselor and a case manager once a week. They must complete their education and work towards being self-sufficient. After moving out the teens are supported with school supplies, clothing, furniture & household items, and whatever else we are able to do including a yearly Christmas party.

6. Listing of any specific calendar year times of major need and type of need at this time:
Bridgeway invites all of their current, past residents and their children, and spouses to a Christmas party in December. We provide gifts for all moms and children so this is a large need which we start planning for in October.
Bridgeway has one main fundraiser and we have a large need for volunteers to help during this time. This is typically in February, but the date is subject to change. During the summer months we find less support and our needs would be in the way of food, diapers, & cleaning supplies.

7. Programs to “graduate” clients and support for independence:
Bridgeway gives our clients the resources to apply for housing, assistance for food, childcare, and other necessities. We also give our clients the resources to continue their education so that they may have satisfying careers and become self-sufficient. We offer incentive programs for completing education programs.

8. Advocacy activities undertaken by your organization/agency: (That is, does your group have a greater mission than direct client support? Do you develop and take advocacy positions on any issues relating to your clients and their needs?)
Bridgeway advocates for each individual client as needed in the way of doctor care, child support, child care, and any other way we are able to. We have helped numerous other maternity homes develop their programs.

9. Would your organization/agency be amenable to meeting with our Outreach Ministry to explain your programs?
Yes, our Director of Fundraising, Debbie Dispense, or our Executive Director, Carole Haas would be happy to visit with any or all of you

10. Would your organization/agency be willing to host our Outreach Ministry on a “field trip” to your location to observe your programs?
We would be happy to, but we would want to try and do it in a way that respects our resident’s privacy. Since we are a residential facility it is our resident’s home and we try to keep tours to a minimum. We have found that often coming to the office enables someone to understand our programs also.

11. Other information considered important:

We are a small non-profit that relies so much on support from the community. The young women we work with so often have no understanding of their potential. Because there is a baby coming they usually seem to be receptive to change & growth. We appreciate any help we can get to let them see that shining light that they truly are. We try to show them God's love less with words than with love based action.

House of Hope

Questionnaire:

1. Name and Address of Organization:

Family Tree, Inc.
House of Hope
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2. Key Contacts/Telephone Number/Email:

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3. Please describe briefly the mission and key activities of your organization:

Family Tree House of Hope is a homeless shelter and self-sufficiency program, providing safe shelter and a broad range of services to women with children, helping them to be safe, strong and self-reliant. Mothers meet weekly with a family advocate who assists them in contacting various housing programs, helps them complete applications, and assists them in putting together a self-sufficiency plan and setting goals. They also offer assistance in finding daycare, applying for social service benefits, health care, accessing education and job training program and job search. Residents are required to do a daily household chore as well as keep their rooms clean and help with the children's homework. House of Hope is a program of Family Tree, Inc., whose mission is to help people overcome child abuse, domestic violence and homelessness to become safe, strong and self-reliant. We are a not-for-profit organization providing programs through a continuum of services that are client-centered and culturally sensitive.

4. Client base supported and geographic area represented:

We serve homeless women with children. Our shelter aims for a census of thirty people per day. Families from Arapahoe County are given priority in admission, and families from other counties are admitted as space permits.

5. Types of Support provided and frequency:

We provide a targeted 90-day stay for homeless families. We have family advocates to individually assist clients in creating and following through on goals to make the families self-sufficient.

6. Listing of any specific calendar year times of major need and type of need at this time:

We need support throughout the year.

We always need prepared meals donated throughout the year, specifically on weekdays, so that we are able to focus our attention on the residents rather than on meal preparation.

We also need assistance in keeping the house looking like a home. There are many beautifying activities available, from planting flowers, to painting resident rooms, to organizing our various storage areas.

As the holidays approach, we are always in need of gifts for our residents. The most helpful of which are gift cards for local stores. These empower our residents by allowing them to choose items that will most meet their needs for practical uses and/or a prize for birthdays and special achievements.

Family Tree House of Hope is always in need of monetary donations. It takes a lot of money to keep the house running, from food to electricity! In addition, Family Tree House of Hope has a wish list that is available upon request and routinely updated. This list usually includes items such as diapers, feminine hygiene products, and other items one would need at home.

7. Programs to “graduate” clients and support for independence:

The majority of our clients work toward obtaining transitional housing in which they can continue progress on their self-sufficiency goals and stay in apartments for up to two years. On occasion, our clients are able to achieve permanent housing upon exit, through programs like Section 8 or even at market-rate. Past clients often keep in touch to tell us of their successes and to thank us. Often we are able to match outgoing clients with furniture donors, as we have limited storage space on-site.

8. Advocacy activities undertaken by your organization/agency: (That is, does your group have a greater mission than direct client support? Do you develop and take advocacy positions on any issues relating to your clients and their needs?)

Family Tree makes hundreds of educational presentations each year to civic organizations, churches and corporations regarding the issues of homelessness, domestic violence and child abuse. A newly-created presentation on homelessness is available as an educational and outreach tool to the community.

We also have regular trainings that are open to volunteers and community members. Family Tree also belongs to community advocacy groups addressing issues from housing to domestic violence.

9. Would your organization/agency be amenable to meeting with our Outreach Ministry to explain your programs?

Yes, we would welcome that.

10. Would your organization/agency be willing to host our Outreach Ministry on a “field trip” to your location to observe your programs?

Yes, we would love to have you all visit.

11. Other information considered important:

We have really enjoyed working with your church. Good Shepherd has made a huge difference in the lives of many homeless families.

Covenant Cupboard

Questionnaire:

1. Name and Address of Organization:

Covenant Cupboard Food Pantry (CCFP)

5400 S. Yosemite Street

Greenwood Village, CO 80111

2. Key Contacts/Telephone Number/Email:

Information direct from CCFP 720.841.5129

Ken Whiting, Board president, 303.601.9299 (cell) or kdwhiting@aol.com

3. Please describe briefly the mission and key activities of your organization:

Our mission is to address the food security needs of seniors, disabled individuals, and the unemployed or underemployed households in our community in a compassionate, dignified and secure environment.

Key activities include the acquisition, storing, and distribution of food to those qualified according to our eligibility requirements.

4. Client base supported and geographic area represented:

The client base consists of a diverse group of people of multiple races and ethnic backgrounds, and come from a geographic area consisting primarily of Arapahoe and surrounding counties. With a satellite food pantry in Bennett, Colorado, we frequently feed 100 families per week.

5. Types of Support provided and frequency:
Support consists of three primary areas:
Donated food makes up approximately 50% of our support, 33% consists of volunteer labor to transport and distribute food, and 17% is financial assistance to pay for the costs associated with the acquisition of purchased food, the facility, and other costs required to support the overall operation.
6. Listing of any specific calendar year times of major need and type of need at this time:
Spikes of need occur during the Easter, Thanksgiving, and Christmas holidays when CCFP provides special meat (turkeys, hams, etc.) to clients. Overall, there is an increased demand from clients from the end of summer through the end of the year.
7. Programs to “graduate” clients and support for independence:
CCFP currently has no programs to graduate clients or to encourage their independence.
8. Advocacy activities undertaken by your organization/agency: (That is, does your group have a greater mission than direct client support? Do you develop and take advocacy positions on any issues relating to your clients and their needs?)
CCFP does not directly undertake advocacy activities.
9. Would your organization/agency be amenable to meeting with our Outreach Ministry to explain your programs?
Yes; in fact, our programs may be adequately explained by current Good Shepherd Episcopal Church members who are active volunteers at CCFP.
10. Would your organization/agency be willing to host our Outreach Ministry on a “field trip” to your location to observe your programs?
We would be happy to host your Outreach Ministry on a Friday afternoon, starting around noon and extending as long as desired by the Outreach Ministry.
11. Other information considered important:

The Episcopal Church of St. Peter & St. Mary

Questionnaire:

1. Name and Address of Organization:
The Episcopal Church of St. Peter & St. Mary
St. Clare’s Ministries
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2. Key Contacts/Telephone Number/Email:
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The Rev. Melanie Christopher – mellen@wcox.com

3. Please describe briefly the mission and key activities of your organization:
St. Clare's Supper began in some form over 30 years ago with sack lunches. It evolved through the years to a full sit down dinner served every Tuesday night. The dinner program evolved even further with the addition of a "clothing closet" and finally into an Emergency Overnight Shelter. We believe that everyone is treated as a child of God and entitled to the basic necessities of life – food, shelter & clothing.
4. Client base supported and geographic area represented:
We serve the homeless and working poor of downtown Denver.
5. Types of Support provided and frequency:
Full sit down diner every Tuesday night – 52 weeks a year. Clothes closet is open each Tuesday. We serve 130-180 people every Tuesday.
Emergency Overnight Shelter when temperatures go into the teens. We are not a City of Denver shelter for many reasons – mostly that we try to be as compassionate as possible. So far for 2006 we have been open 14 nights. Our capacity is 60 and we have been full 10 of those 14 nights. On the nights we are open we serve a hot dinner, snacks for the movies shown, and a hot breakfast.
6. Listing of any specific calendar year times of major need and type of need at this time:
 - a. Constant needs are socks, men's underwear (sizes 30,32, 34 – primarily)
 - b. Winter months – gloves, warm coats, blankets and sleeping bags
 - c. Summer months – men's t-shirts
 - d. Overnight shelter needs – coffee, snacks, #10 cans of main course type foods, oatmeal, sugar, and paper goods – plates, bowls, cups, and napkins
7. Programs to "graduate" clients and support for independence:
Really doesn't apply to our program.
8. Advocacy activities undertaken by your organization/agency: (That is, does your group have a greater mission than direct client support? Do you develop and take advocacy positions on any issues relating to your clients and their needs?)

We have worked with our guests on a one-to-one helping them get benefits they are entitled to and into housing. We have had success but the time commitment per person is incredibly high so while we are successful with each attempt we haven't had large numbers. One of our Tuesday guests who wrote grants in "another life" has stepped up to the plate and will begin writing grants to see if we can't fund greater programs to be of benefit to our guests. We also participants in the Mayor's Plan to End Homelessness, The Hunger Project and others.
9. Would your organization/agency be amenable to meeting with our Outreach Ministry to explain your programs?

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10. Would your organization/agency be willing to host our Outreach Ministry on a “field trip” to your location to observe your programs?

We would love to have you come but you will probably be put to work. On Tuesdays our church service is at 5PM (no one is required to go but all are invited) and dinner begins at 6PM we usually finish clean up by 8PM. The overnight shelter is harder to predict. But you are always welcome.

11. Other information considered important:

We were named a Jubilee Center for the Episcopal Church in 2005. The director of the Tuesday dinner, Shirley Werden, was selected as a Channel 7 Everyday Hero in 2005. We have a variety of churches that help – Christ the King, Arvada; St. Martin-in-the-Fields, Aurora; Acension, Denver; Epiphany, Denver; St. Stephen’s, Aurora; Christ Church, Castle Rock. The primary source of funding is the outreach budget of our church which our vestry considers a priority. There are no paid employees of any of these programs – it is all volunteer based.

Mary’s Hope Workshops

Questionnaire:

1. Name and Address of Organization:

Mary’s Hope Workshops – 12182 W Asbury Pl – Lakewood, CO 80228.

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2. Key Contacts/Telephone Number/Email:

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The Rev Diane Moore, Program Director – 303-377-0293 – maryshope@maryshope.org or deacondi@ecentral.com
Alternative phone number: 303-941-2638

3. Please describe briefly the mission and key activities of your organization:

The mission of Mary’s Hope Workshops is to provide tools for spiritual healing and recovery of survivors of profound childhood abuses. To accomplish this mission, Mary’s Hope Workshops conducts workshops and retreats to educate about the spiritual wounds left in the wake of childhood abuse and techniques to

facilitate the healing and recovery of those wounds. This organization is about reconciling survivors to God.

4. Client base supported and geographic area represented:

Mary's Hope Workshops does not maintain a client base. This organization serves survivors of profound childhood abuses (who are now adults) by educating pastors, therapists, spiritual directors, priests and deacons, prison & hospital chaplains, domestic violence shelter workers, friends and family, foster and adoptive parents, hot line workers, others who work with survivors and survivors themselves. The workshops help these care providers understand the spiritual wounds left from these abuses and give them tools to help facilitate the healing of such wounds. We have provided events and workshops in Ohio, Nebraska, Texas, California, and Colorado. Mary's Hope Workshops is the only organization in the U.S. addressing these spiritual wounds and guiding others in ways of healing and recovery.

5. Types of Support provided and frequency:

Support for Mary's Hope Workshops comes from the following sources:

In-kind time & talent – 35%
Individual donations – 30%
Church community donations – 10%
Grants – 9%
Workshops – 9%
Special Events – 5%
Corporate – 2%

Mary's Hope Workshops has monthly support from 2 Episcopal Church communities and one Roman Catholic Church community. There are less than 10 individual monthly donors. We received 2 grants in 2005 from two Roman Catholic Women Religious Orders. The individual donations are received as a result of newsletter requests, preaching, and requests by mail. This organization has no consistent financial support flow. The in-kind amount reflects the time of volunteers and the full time Program Director.

6. Listing of any specific calendar year times of major need and type of need at this time:

Mary's Hope Workshops needs three kinds of support... all of it on-going. Many ministries are church based and have a built-in support group. Mary's Hope Workshops does not have such a recognized church community support base. We miss a community surrounding us with ongoing prayer support as well as volunteer support and financial support. Interestingly, we miss having a

community that knows who we are and what we do... praying for us when we travel or hold workshops or have especially hard times.

Prayer support. This is hard emotionally and spiritually draining work. Prayer support is vital for keeping us on task and being obedient to God's call. We can get mighty discouraged and feel quite alone and isolated... having a church community interested and prayerfully supportive is a gift beyond measure.

Volunteer support. The work of Mary's Hope Workshops is completed primarily by Sherry Niermann and The Rev Diane Moore. Although we do not work directly with clients, because we are a recognized 501(c) 3 organization we must operate as a well-staffed organization. To that end, we are constantly looking for extra hands to share the running of the office.

Financial support. The funding of Mary's Hope Workshops is a constant struggle. Because of the kind of work we do, granting agencies either consider us to be too religious or not religious enough. We enjoy support from many of the Episcopal Churches and clergy in the Diocese of Colorado but it is not on-going. When we ask, we receive. The funding issue is difficult for when we are focused on that we neglect the work of educating those who would help survivors heal and recover from their spiritual wounds. Ideally, we could come to a place where we might pay the Program Director (although assigned by the Bishop of Colorado to the work of Mary's Hope Workshops, there is no financial support for that assignment). Our workshops become more of source of income each year, but it takes time to grow that source. This past year we found that doing Special Events – The Essie Mae off Broadway show, for one – a more faithful use of our time and talent.

Our goal is to have more congregations in our pledging community. This ongoing support is essential to our financial stability month to month.

7. Programs to “graduate” clients and support for independence:

Mary's Hope Workshops does not work with clients directly in an on-going capacity. We DO have survivors who connect with us individually or in our workshops. We DO connect survivors with spiritual directors and therapists who have attended our workshops and are versed in how best to facilitate the spiritual healing of survivors.

Their “independence” is in a survivor's healing and recovery from the wounds that have held them captive since childhood.

8. Advocacy activities undertaken by your organization/agency: (That is, does your group have a greater mission than direct client support? Do you develop and take advocacy positions on any issues relating to your clients and their needs?)
Do we talk about the spiritual issues left in the wake of profound childhood abuses at any opportunity? Yes. Where do we do that? In congregations, at state

conferences, as programs for organizations, in large and small gatherings. Do we continually bring up the spiritual needs of survivors and train those in a position to help heal those wounds? Yes.

We do no other kind of political lobbying or advocacy.

9. Would your organization/agency be amenable to meeting with our Outreach Ministry to explain your programs? Absolutely, just give us a call. If we are in town we'd love to.

10. Would your organization/agency be willing to host our Outreach Ministry on a "field trip" to your location to observe your programs?

You can see by our brochure our variety of workshops.

Participation in any Level 1 workshop would be informative and helpful to Outreach members. Participation in Level 2 workshops involves a full day commitment and is appropriate for anyone having a personal relationship with survivors of profound childhood abuses.

11. Other information considered important:

I am sending a CD (which will play on any computer but not on a DVD player) to give additional information.

St. Francis Center

Questionnaire:

1. Name and Address of Organization:

**St. Francis Center
2323 Curtis St., Denver, CO 80205**

2. Key Contacts/Telephone Number/Email:

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3. Please describe briefly the mission and key activities of your organization:

The mission of St. Francis Center is to reveal God's love for humanity by providing a safe place for people who are homeless in Metro Denver to meet their basic needs for day-to-day survival while offering them assistance to transition out of homelessness.

St. Francis Center provides valuable services that fill a niche in the homeless continuum of care. While there are overnight bed shelters and places that provide meals to people who are homeless, St. Francis Center is open in the day, a time when the overnight shelters close to regroup for the next night, leaving the homeless no place to go.

Guests have the opportunity to utilize any of the following services:

- Showers for men and women (soap, shampoo and towels)
- Storage facility for up to 1 bag
- Access to phone for local calls
- Use of St. Francis Center's address and phone
- A message board
- Newer or cleaner clothes can be earned by helping with some chores at the Center
- Access to day labor jobs
- Mental health, veteran's assistance, and medical assistance on designated days
- A caseworker that helps with a variety of needs—the most prevalent is helping the guest obtain their identification card, which is fundamental for receiving any other type of services
- St. Francis Center's Housing program helps transition the candidate from homelessness to a more permanent residence. Case management support is often needed to help individuals maintain their housing.
- St. Francis Center's Overnight Shelter offers another nighttime alternative.
- St. Francis Center Outreach Team connecting people to resources.

4. Client base supported and geographic area represented:

Our clients are individuals who are homeless, job seekers with or without a home, and indigent, economically disadvantaged populations. We have a significant presence in the downtown area. Most of our clients are situated in the urban core, although people who are homeless continue to migrate from surrounding areas in search of programs and services in the central business district.

5. Types of Support provided and frequency:

SFC provided services to 219,975 guests (or 60,000 more guests than served in 2004). SFC also provided access to 97 units of housing.

On average, SFC served 710 single/different guests within each 24-hour period.

The health clinic served 1,565 guest patients who visited the clinic 4,401 different times.

More than 200 people received employment services; 28 were placed in full-time jobs and 1,553 short-term job placements were made.

Staff also provided social services to 811 day shelter guests, including help with birth certificates, bus tickets, long distance phone calls, local transportation, payee services, and information/referrals. SFC also distributed 13,500 units of clothing.

SFC continued to double the number of hours services are provided by adding nighttime hours for guests, averaging 237 people per night and having to increase staff by six to accommodate our guest's needs.

St. Francis Center's housing program helped stabilize 48 individuals by giving them the opportunity to get out of homelessness into permanent apartments.

6. Listing of any specific calendar year times of major need and type of need at this time:

The mission of the center is ongoing year round. In-kind donations tend to lessen during the summer months.

7. Programs to "graduate" clients and support for independence:

St. Francis Center's housing and outreach team provides case management to empower our guests in the transition from homelessness to independence.

8. Advocacy activities undertaken by your organization/agency: (That is, does your group have a greater mission than direct client support? Do you develop and take advocacy positions on any issues relating to your clients and their needs?)

SFC continues to be active on the Metro Denver Homeless Initiative (Executive Director Tom Luehrs acted as President of this metro-wide organization, representing over 150 homeless and housing providers), Denver Tent City Initiative, and Homeless Commission. We continue to advocate for the homeless and the poor, striving to provide a voice for the less fortunate in our community.

9. Would your organization/agency be amenable to meeting with our Outreach Ministry to explain your programs?

St. Francis Center will make arrangements for a representative to visit with your team at your request.

10. Would your organization/agency be willing to host our Outreach Ministry on a "field trip" to your location to observe your programs?

We invite Good Shepard Outreach Ministers to visit and tour the center at their convenience.

11. Other information considered important:

St. Francis Center, a ministry of the Episcopal Diocese of Colorado, was established in June 1983 and operated from a leased building on 21st &

Lawrence. This building proved to be inadequate for the increased homeless population and through a generous donation, a trust was established which enabled St. Francis Center to purchase and renovate the 2323 Curtis Street site which the center has operated since 1986. In March 1990, the building debt was repaid. In 1992, St. Francis Center incorporated as a not-for-profit organization. The Housing Program was initiated in 2001. At the end of 2004, St. Francis Center added to its services by opening a nighttime shelter at 2323 Curtis. In 2005, St. Francis Center was recognized by the *Colorado Coalition for the Homeless* as the Colorado Homeless Program of the Year.

32nd. Jubilee Center

Questionnaire:

1. Name and Address of Organization:
32nd Avenue Jubilee Center
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Denver, CO 80211
2. Key Contacts/Telephone Number/Email:
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Ginny Grogan: 303-477-3944 &
GinnyLew@peoplepc.com
3. Please describe briefly the mission and key activities of your organization:
The mission of the 32nd Avenue Jubilee Center is to help our Northwest Denver neighbors move away from poverty and need.
Key activities include:
The Bienvenidos Food Bank
Health Care Initiative
Youth Enrichment Program (serving school age youth)
Program for Intercultural Communication & Language Skills
4. Client base supported and geographic area represented:
Our clients are the economically disadvantaged families (adults and children) who live in Northwest Denver (I-25 west to Sheridan and I-70 south to Colfax). The greatest percentage of our clients are Hispanic, who are mostly recent immigrants.
5. Types of Support provided and frequency:
 - e. Distribution of food is weekly; emergency food is available daily.
 - f. English & Spanish culture and language classes are held twice a week.

- g. After-school tutoring and enrichment activities for children are 4 times a week.
 - h. Health information and blood pressure checks are given on most food distribution days. Vision care services weekly. Special health care education programs and clinics are presented quarterly.
 - i. People with special needs and/or who need referrals, are helped daily.
6. Listing of any specific calendar year times of major need and type of need at this time:
 - j. Mid-August: school supplies for the children at all our programs.
 - k. Thanksgiving: food and volunteers needed to provide boxes for 800 families.
 - l. Christmas: gifts for elementary age children in the Youth Enrichment Program.
 - m. Ongoing: Bilingual interpreters for health program.
 - n. Ongoing: licensed nurse or doctor to give blood pressure checks (1-2 hours/ month), Vision care specialists to assist weekly program.
7. Programs to “graduate” clients and support for independence:

All of our programs help our clients “graduate” from situations of poverty and need. For example: gaining language and culture skills helps our clients obtain better jobs; tutoring children helps them succeed in school, which in-turn helps raise them out of circumstances of poverty and strengthens their confidence to set and achieve personal goals that improve their lives; the food bank and the health care programs take care of basic needs while respecting our clients sense of personal dignity.
8. Advocacy activities undertaken by your organization/agency: (That is, does your group have a greater mission than direct client support? Do you develop and take advocacy positions on any issues relating to your clients and their needs?)

We advocate for our Spanish speaking immigrants as they often flee a culture of poverty and seek to better their lives and the lives of their children.
9. Would your organization/agency be amenable to meeting with our Outreach Ministry to explain your programs?

Yes, absolutely. In fact, we would be pleased to host an Outreach Ministry meeting here at the Jubilee Center if that could be arranged.
10. Would your organization/agency be willing to host our Outreach Ministry on a “field trip” to your location to observe your programs?

Yes, as just stated above. With enthusiasm!
11. Other information considered important:

The 32nd Avenue Jubilee Center would be happy to share any and all of its resources with Outreach Ministry members or organizations that would

seek to learn or collaborate with another community outreach ministry organization engaged in or desiring to become engaged in such ministry. We are grateful for your partnership and encouragement over the past several years. Thank you.

During 2005 there were 355 volunteers who provided service to 1825 clients and/or families of the Northwest Denver community through the programs of the Jubilee Center. Their contribution resulted in 1618 hours volunteered! Your support has helped to make this work possible.

The Sudanese Community Ministries

Questionnaire:

1. Name and Address of Organization: Sudanese Community Church, a special congregation of the Episcopal Diocese of Colorado, worshipping at St. John's Cathedral, 1350 Washington St. Denver, CO 80203
2. Key Contacts/Telephone Number/Email: Fr. Anderia Lual Arok, priest in charge/303-875-6368/ anderia@sjc-den.org and Anita Sanborn, President, Colorado Episcopal [Foundation/303-534-6778/anita@coef.org](http://www.coef.org)
3. Please describe briefly the mission and key activities of your organization: The Sudanese congregation was formed to minister to the spiritual and temporal needs of the growing refugee community in Colorado. We conduct all pastoral and sacramental functions AND we provide English classes, women's support group, assistance with transportation, and in every way we try to assist our congregation with their basic needs.
4. Client base supported and geographic area represented: We currently number over 120 parishioners who come from all over the Metro Denver and Boulder area. Our parishioners are all refugees most of whom have arrived in the United States within the past 5 years. Their needs are unique in that they are actively supporting family and friends who have been left behind in refugee camps in various countries and within Sudan itself. We also respond to requests for help from ANY Sudanese living in Colorado.
5. Types of Support provided and frequency: Our ministry regularly provides assistance with paying rent, purchasing food, buying medicine, paying school

fees, buying bus cards and we often must find legal and medical help for our clients. We try to assist with computer literacy and with homework supervision. A refugee family has almost every need one could name and our people live on a very thin margin of self-sufficiency. When sickness or job loss or an event back home in Sudan occurs then our help is needed. We sponsored a workshop on trauma healing in 2005 and hope to have the ability to present it again in 2006.

6. Listing of any specific calendar year times of major need and type of need at this time: Our clients and our ministry have no specific calendar time that is more difficult than any other time.
7. Programs to “graduate” clients and support for independence: We try to develop literacy in language, in computer technology and in every way possible strive for self-sufficiency. Job development is a constant challenge. Our people have a very hard time finding jobs that pay more than minimum wage therefore they are working 2 jobs and as every American knows, it is not possible to support a family or even pay the rent in a shared apartment on minimum wage. It will take a generation for our families to become fully assimilated. NOTE: refugees receive state supported assistance for a very limited period – usually not more than 6 months.
8. Advocacy activities undertaken by your organization/agency: (That is, does your group have a greater mission than direct client support? Do you develop and take advocacy positions on any issues relating to your clients and their needs?) We do advocate on behalf of the Sudanese who are suffering in Darfur and on matters where the U.S. could make a difference in maintaining the current peace agreement governing southern Sudan. We also maintain contact with public elected officials and from time to time have asked that certain immigration issues be supported
9. Would your organization/agency be amenable to meeting with our Outreach Ministry to explain your programs? It would be an honor for us to meet with you and to explain our ministry and issues facing our congregation.
10. Would your organization/agency be willing to host our Outreach Ministry on a “field trip” to your location to observe your programs? We would be very pleased

to have a visit and “field trip” to meet with us to see our program and worship with us.

11. Other information considered important: The Sudanese Community Church has evolved into the major focal point for the Sudanese refugee community. Our people believe that their church and their faith sustains them. The cross is real and present to us. Due to the unique burdens carried by our people in terms of providing financially for all relatives and friends from local villages who may ask (and that includes people still in Sudan or individuals here), we do not have the same base of “pledge and plate” so common to our fellow diocesan parishes. Without the help of donations from clergy and congregations in our diocese then we would not have the ability to send our children to youth camp or send one or two of our members to receive evangelism training or to provide counseling for those suffering from the trauma of the civil war which forced us to flee.

The people of Good Shepherd have been a source of great comfort to us in many ways. You have sponsored several of our parishioners. You have stood by us during many losses. You have given generously to our congregation. We will never forget you and you are in our prayers. One day we hope that many of you will journey with us to southern Sudan so that you will see and know how grateful we are. We came as strangers among you and you welcomed us and opened your hearts to us.

MetroCareRing

Questionnaire:

1. Name and Address of Organization:
Metro CareRing, PO Box 300459, Denver, 80203 (1100 E. 18th Ave.)
2. Key Contacts/Telephone Number/Email:
Jon Holmer, Executive Director
303-350-3666
jholmer@metrocarering.org
3. Please describe briefly the mission and key activities of your organization:

Metro CareRing provides food, referrals, personal hygiene items, transportation assistance, utility assistance, work supportive services, identification documentation in a supportive, dignified manner to all persons regardless of race, creed, beliefs , or geographical location.
4. Client base supported and geographic area represented:
No geographical boundaries.
30 % Hispanic
30% African American
30% Anglo
10% other
5. Types of Support provided and frequency:
Clients may access services every 30 days. Every visit they may receive a 3 day supply of food and personal hygiene items based on family size. Identification documentation provides birth certificates, CO id's once a year. Transportation assistance consists of bus tokens for appointments and new jobs. Utility assistance is available once a year. Referrals to other assisting agencies are available at any time in person or over the phone.
6. Listing of any specific calendar year times of major need and type of need at this time:
Financial donations year round. Food donations needed especially in spring and summer. Volunteers needed year round
7. Programs to “graduate” clients and support for independence:

HOPE program to prevent homelessness. A staff member matches clients to mentoring teams from faith communities who provide support and assistance to the client families.

8. Advocacy activities undertaken by your organization/agency: (That is, does your group have a greater mission than direct client support? Do you develop and take advocacy positions on any issues relating to your clients and their needs?)

Every staff member is involved in advocacy groups and campaigns. We are involved in informing our constituents about issues in the legislature that affect low income individuals. We advocate through email, letter campaigns, personal testimony in order to affect systemic changes in labor, housing, tax, services policies and laws.

9. Would your organization/agency be amenable to meeting with our Outreach Ministry to explain your programs?

Staff are available at any time for meetings, forums, discussion groups.

10. Would your organization/agency be willing to host our Outreach Ministry on a “field trip” to your location to observe your programs?

We would love to host a group for a tour and discussion of the needs and the opportunities available through Metro CareRing.

11. Other information considered important:

Metro CareRing is a volunteer driven agency. All services are delivered by trained volunteers supported by staff.

WINN Ministries

Questionnaire:

1. Name and Address of Organization: WINN Ministries , 6035 West 11th, Lakewood, CO , 80214
2. Key Contacts/Telephone Number/Email:
Hank Salmans 303-239-9123 e mail hank@winnministries.org
Bart Ford 303-23909123 e mail bart@winnministreies.org
3. Please describe briefly the mission and key activities of your organization:
WINN exists to help churches help people. We do three thing: A. coaching / training how to reach the neighborhood , access needs and help meet them B. Resource Network – Winn identifies and qualifies resource to provide churches with information to help folks with needs that have been identified. C. Provision-

- Winn works to identify and collect a wide variety of provisions that can in turn be supplied to churches to help individuals and families. Provisions cover the range from food to clothes, furniture to household supplies. For more detail information refer to the web site : www.winnministries.org
4. Client base supported and geographic area represented: WINN works with churches throughout the Denver metropolitan area. We have also developed satellite operations in Colorado Springs and Greeley. Additionally we are working with several African countries teaching them how to set up WINN type operations. In the metro area in 2005 WINN interacted with approximately 205 churches.
 5. Types of Support provided and frequency: training, coaching, information and provisions were / are provided as needed. We have approximately 145 church contacts per month. 35 to 40 are weekly from high needs areas. Our services are driven by churches reaching out to families who are congregation attendees or from the geographic area of the individual churches. (usually within the 4 square miles of the church)
 6. Listing of any specific calendar year times of major need and type of need at this time: service are more in demand during extreme weather periods both hot and cold. We usually have peak periods for provisions needs in the second half of most months
 7. Programs to “graduate” clients and support for independence: the training and coaching offered leads churches to providing the services to lead persons being served to independence. We urge the church clients to be the direct contact for persons being served. We are silent partner to the church.
 8. Advocacy activities undertaken by your organization/agency: (That is, does your group have a greater mission than direct client support? Do you develop and take advocacy positions on any issues relating to your clients and their needs?) our focus is to help churches help people. Our mission is to help churches connect with their neighborhoods. Usually approx. 4 square miles around the church. Have a process called Outside The Walls we train.
 9. Would your organization/agency be amenable to meeting with our Outreach Ministry to explain your programs? Yes let us know when.
 10. Would your organization/agency be willing to host our Outreach Ministry on a “field trip” to your location to observe your programs? Yes let us know when or just drop in for Hot Dog Friday. We serve hot dogs every Friday noon, rain or snow, then conduct tours and answer questions for any new folks.
 11. Other information considered important: Please look at our web site for more information www.winnministries.org we start our 7th year April 2006

The Women's Crisis & Family Outreach Center (WCFOC)

Questionnaire:

1. Name and Address of Organization:

The Women's Crisis & Family Outreach Center (WCFOC)
P.O. Box 367
Castle Rock, CO 80104

2. Key Contacts/Telephone Number/Email:

Stacey Neith: 303-688-1094, ext. 20 SNeith@twcfoc.org
Sharon Brew: 303-688-8484 SBrew@twcfoc.org

3. Please describe briefly the mission and key activities of your organization:

Mission: The WCFOC is dedicated to reducing domestic violence and family conflict through advocacy, empowerment, violence prevention and intervention, education and services. Services include: a 24-hours crisis line, 14-bed emergency shelter, therapy services for women and children, legal advocacy, school-based violence prevention, community education and outreach.

4. Client base supported and geographic area represented:

We serve approximately 9,000 men, women and children annually. Our primary service area is Douglas and Elbert Counties.

5. Types of Support provided and frequency:

Services include: a 24-hours crisis line, 14-bed emergency shelter, therapy services for women and children, legal advocacy, school-based violence prevention, community education and outreach. The therapy, legal advocacy and school-based violence prevention occurs during the normal business week. The crisis line and emergency shelter is available 24-hours a day, 365 days a year. The community education and outreach is provided as requested.

6. Listing of any specific calendar year times of major need and type of need at this time:

We have a variety of needs at the shelter regarding facility maintenance and yard work. These needs happen all year long. Other needs include gift cards to King Soopers and Safeway, Target and WalMart. This allows us to purchase special foods for special diets, prescriptions for clients and other needs for clients or the agency.

7. Programs to "graduate" clients and support for independence:

We do not have graduation for clients; however, all of our services promote self-sufficiency and independence.

8. Advocacy activities undertaken by your organization/agency: (That is, does your group have a greater mission than direct client support? Do you develop and take advocacy positions on any issues relating to your clients and their needs?)

The WCOFC is very involved in the development of legal system protocols that benefit victims of domestic violence. We are also involved in addressing the service gaps within our communities. We believe our number one job is to advocate for and with our clients. Currently we are members of the Douglas County Domestic Violence/Sexual Assault Task Force, the Elbert County Coalition for Outreach, and the Colorado Organization for Victims Assistance. All of these groups strive to create policy and protocol that improves services and systems for victims of crime.

9. Would your organization/agency be amenable to meeting with our Outreach Ministry to explain your programs? Yes.

10. Would your organization/agency be willing to host our Outreach Ministry on a “field trip” to your location to observe your programs?

We would be willing to meet with those individuals who would be volunteering at the shelter and provide information about the agency and the shelter.

11. Other information considered important: