

Feeding the Hungry and Sheltering the Homeless since 1968

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It's Almost that Time... Walk for the Hungry!

Get your walking shoes and come join!! Inland Valley Hope Partners Annual Walk is right around the corner! Our 40th Annual Walk for the Hungry is on October 20th, 2013 registration begins at 12:00 pm and the walk begins at 1:00pm. Our location is at the Claremont University Consortium 101 South Mills Avenue, Claremont. The 40th annual "Walk for the Hungry" is a fundraising event to raise money and awareness for local and global hunger.



We would love for you to come join us and bring your family and friends! We would like to personally connect with local faith communities and get them involved. Contact our Development department and we will set up a meeting.



Walk Coordinator Meetings

Thursday August 22 @ 12:00 at SOVA, 904 E. California St., Ontario

Thursday August 29 @ 12:00 at La Verne Church of The Brethren 2425 Bonita Avenue., La Verne

Thursday September 5 @ 5:30pm at Hope Partners Admin Office 1753 N. Park Avenue., Pomona

Saturday September 7 @ 9:00am at Hope Partners Admin Office 1753 N. Park Avenue.,
Pomona

For more info, contact:
Maria Zuleta at 909.622.3806 x242
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It's Easy to Join in the FUN!

- 1. Ask for donations
- 2. Turn in paper registration and \$\$\$ on Walk day
- 1. Register online at www.inlandvalleyhopepartners.org
- 2. Ask for donations
- 3. Walk and enjoy yourself!



Calendar of Events

call or email office for bold events (need volunteers)!
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Who We Are ...

Celebrating 45 years of commitment, Inland Valley Hope Partners serves over 80,000 men, women and children each year through "Our House" family residential shelter; BETA, SOVA, Claremont and San Dimas food pantries; and the Pomona Farmers Market throughout 13 communities including Chino, Chino Hills, Claremont, Diamond Bar, La Verne, Montclair, Mt. Baldy, Ontario, Pomona, Rancho Cucamonga, San Dimensional Communication of the Communication of the

mas, Upland, and Walnut. The shelter houses eight families for up to 90 days. The food pantries distribute five days worth of food per person to no and low income families. Clients may come once every 30 days. The Farmers Market operates every Saturday morning and accepts WIC and EBT cards. Begun in 1968 as the Pomona Council of Churches, today the non-profit is a collaboration of faith communities, businesses, community groups, and individuals who care about their neighbors.

Blessings.....

How many of you remember the story of the Starfish from Sunday school? Allow me to share it with you:

One morning a man walked along the beach covered with thousands of starfish that had washed up during a storm. Now as they lay dying in the sun, he saw a young airl picking

them up and tossing them into the sea. As he approached her he couldn't help but ask. "Why bother? There are too many of them. You won't make a difference". She picked up another starfish and tossed it into the water. Then she turned to the man and said, "I made a difference to that one"!

Because it reminds us of you...

Our faithful partners, who help us care for the children who need a little extra during the summer time when school meals are not available.

Feeding America reports that requests for food are up nationwide in the summer; locally that is true as well. Hope Partners will serve more than 4,000 people this month; that means about 2,000 children will put their hope in us for something as simple as breakfast, lunch or dinner.

You might ask: "How can I make a difference to that many children"? And that is when we ask you to remember that little girl in the story above. Won't you partner with us and make a difference in a child's life? Please take some time right now to write a check and return it to us in the enclosed envelope.

Hunger does not take a vacation!

We thank you for caring, for helping and for making a difference

Blessings,

Wytske G. Visser

CLIP AND PRESENT THIS TICKET

the old spaghetti factory Factory Fundraiser Donation Ticket

Benefiting Inland Valley HOPE Partners Date: 9/16/13 Time: 5-9pm

At The Old Spaghetti Factory, Rancho Cucamonga

A Donation Ticket is required with each guest check to receive credit for the sale. Valid only on the date, time and location above. Donation will not be given on sales prior to or past this time and date. Tax and gratuity not included.

It is almost time for School

Hope Partners serves over 1,000 households a month at our food security locations and our emergency shelter. These households have children who start a new school year each August/September, often without proper school supplies. How can you help? Host a school supply or backpack drive at your faith community or place of employment during the months of July and August. Remember, education is priceless!



School Supplies Needed:

Backpacks
Colored Pencils
Highlighters
Loose-Leaf & Copy Paper
Pens
Lunch boxes & bags
No. 2 Pencils
Plant Cards
Calculators
Pocket folders
Facial tissue
Facial tissue

Erasers

Three-Ring Binders Spiral Notebooks Crayons Planners Markers

Don't forget about our Gleaning Program



It's a big list this month! What do apricots, boysenberries, cherries, grapefruit, grapes, lemons, cantaloupe, honeydew, Valencia oranges, peaches, plums, strawberries, and watermelon have in common? They're all in season in Southern California right now and we'd love to get them into our food pantries.

THE PROBLEM IS: THEY'RE IN YOUR BACKYARD!!

We can help!! That is where our Gleaning Hope program comes in. We will have a group of volunteers and pick them for you. All you need to do is call 909-622-3806 x242 and let Maria know that you have produce. As much or as little as you have, we will send a group of volunteers. So give us a call or send us an email. This is a great way to support our mission and to support the well-being of your neighbors in the community.

Shop for Our Cause at Macy's! August 24, 2013



Macy's has provided Hope Partners with **shopping passes to sell for \$5 each**. By purchasing a shopping pass to the event, customers provide a contribution that goes **completely to our cause**. Additionally, they will enjoy a day of spectacular discounts, entertainment, special events and a chance to win a **\$500 shopping spree**.

This exclusive shopping pass includes 25% or 10% off regular, sale and clearance purchases all day. This is an exceptional fundraising offer for Hope Partners and our donors.

To purchase a ticket, contact Fran at franr@inlandvalleyhopepartners.org or 909-622-3806 x231. We look forward to seeing you on <u>August 24, 2013!</u>

What's Happening at the Food Pantries?

Beta Program Center, Pomona

Have you heard what is going on at Beta?? Every Tuesday from 9:00-2:00 there is a Mobile Health Clinic, on site.

Mission City Community Network Inc (MCCN) is a not-for-profit Community Health Clinic that has been serving Los Angeles County Residents for over 20 years. MCCN provides a full range of primary medical, dental, psychological, and psychiatric services. MCCN strives to provide excellent care to the population.

*All Services are either free or low-cost to Los Angeles County residents

Also Every Tuesday there will be a Cal Fresh representative helping families sign up for the program.





Sova Program Center, Ontario

Over at Sova 19 trees have been planted. Fruit trees range from lemons, oranges, avocados, and grape-fruit. The project is part of the West End Community Garden in collaboration of Hope Partners, Hearts of Lalas Rainbow, and Catholic Charities. More trees are still to be planted. The fresh fruits will be distributed to our clients.



FUTURE FOOD DRIVES





August 16 ,17 Stater Bros in Claremont 1055 W. Foothill Blvd



September 20 ,21 Vons in Claremont 550 E. Baseline Rd

Please try to avoid Glass products which break very easily.

Volunteers needed please email Vcoordinator@inlandvalleyhopepartners.org or call 909.622.3806 x242

Our Supporters

THANK YOU TO:

Thank you to Jason and his amazing team at Allstate for another great job! Their annual food drive collected almost 5,000 items including Mac & cheese and pasta. We also wish to thank their donors and partners for contributing to Hope Partners. They do a great job and we appreciate it.



Thank you to The Children's Montessori School in Rancho Cucamonga and Pete



Gritchin. The children have been donating peanut butter and jelly sandwiches to the Sova Hunger Program for the last 10+ years. The sandwiches are prepared at the Upland Center and delivered to the children's Montessori school were it

was picked up by Pete Gritchin who recently retired after volunteering for over 15 years. The sandwiches are prepared for the homeless by the students at the day care.

Thank you to Avika Dua for all her hard work here at Inland Valley Hope Partners! She came to us as

a summer intern, working with a Bank of America program designed to build leadership skills through work at local nonprofit agencies. It was great working with Avika, she is such a great leader and was amazing to us! Thank you Bank of America for sending



us such a wonderful and hardworking person! We appreciate it! We wish her the best of luck in her future endeavors at Harvard!



Do you designate your grocery store rewards? Please consider designating them to Inland Valley Hope Partners.



Want an easy way to help? Go to goodsearch.com and set up your browser's search engine with Goodsearch. Designate us as your charity of choice and we'll receive 1¢ for every search you make. Easy. Also, their Goodshop feature donates a percentage back for online purchases through major retailers and GoodDining does the same for restaurants!





Have a car in the driveway you don't use, or a boat? Put it to use! Donate it to us through Cars 4 Causes and turn that eyesore into emergency food or shelter for clients in our community. Please keep and send us a copy of the receipt!



If you're not doing it already, follow us on Facebook (Inland Valley Hope Partners) and Twitter (@HopePartners). We will keep you informed about our latest efforts and current volunteer opportunities.





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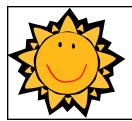
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