

WINTER 2013 NEWSLETTER

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Partner Agency Highlight

Tri-Lakes Cares

Tri-Lakes Cares is a community based, volunteer supported, resource center whose purpose is to improve people's lives through emergency assistance, self-sufficiency and relief programs, education and other social services.

In November of 1984, a group of like-minded, community-spirited citizens of the Tri-Lakes area founded Tri-Lakes Cares. Believing that there was strength in a centralized organization to help those in need, this group began to keep a small food pantry, some used clothing and they used cash donations to help people with financial emergencies on a very limited basis.

Tri-Lakes Cares began its partnership with Care and Share Food Bank in 1987.

Tri-Lakes Cares is proud to serve its local community for more than 30 years as the only agency in Northern El Paso County serving Monument, Palmer Lake, Woodmoor, sections of Black Forest, Gleneagle and the Air Force Academy.

For more information about Tri-Lakes Cares, visit www.tri-lakescares.org or call 719-481-4864.



Dear Friends,

In Colorado we are fortunate to enjoy many seasons, but I can think of no better season than that which allows us to show how much we care about one another.

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If you haven't started a family holiday tradition, I have a suggestion...

This season, consider a family in the community that may need a meal. Start a family tradition by building a family meal box and filling it with our most needed food items. Create powerful, lifelong memories for your family and share in a moment of unbridled kindness towards many families who live with hunger in Southern Colorado.

Believe me when I tell you that, if not now, there will be a day in the near future when your children will let you know how much the tradition of providing a meal meant to them...and to the families who were the recipient of your family's gift...it's warm meals that give them hope.

Every family has its own favorite traditions. We at Care and Share have ours too – bridging the gap between hunger and abundance – each and every day.

The need for food to help our neighbors is growing daily. We can't meet that need without you as our committed partner. Thank you for getting involved, creating a tradition, and for your generosity. You demonstrate how our community truly cares about each and every family in Southern Colorado.

l wish you, your co-workers, and your families a joyous holiday season.

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Lynne Telford President and CEO



Harvest **Giving Society** Celebration

More than 75 Harvest Giving Society members attended the annual Harvest Celebration at our elegantly decorated warehouse on September 24th. The evening highlighted our Cooking Matters program, with special guests Chef Jeff Coleman, a Cooking Matters chef volunteer, and Tracy Gallegos, a Cooking Matters participant and volunteer from Pueblo.

Our sincere thanks to our sponsor, Central Bancorp and other supporting organizations: Bristol Brewery, Powers Liquor Mart, Harding Nursery, and All About Etching.

MLK Jr. Day of Service

Monday, January 20, 2014 We will answer Dr. King's call to serve to make a difference in the lives of Colorado Springs residents - volunteer service is a powerful tool that builds strong communities. Care and Share Food Bank for Southern Colorado will host more than 170 volunteers in our volunteer repack room to sort and repack food.

To register to volunteer for MLK Jr. Day of Service, visit: http://careandshare.org/ GetInvolved/Volunteer.aspx and click on the 'Volunteer Spot' logo.







Colorado Springs area schools, along with sponsors KRDO News Channel 13 and KRDO News Radio 105.5FM/1240 AM, partner with Care and Share Food Bank annually during November to help collect food and raise financial support for the more than 165,000 individuals in Southern Colorado who struggle with hunger every day. This is one of our most important collection drives of the year!

KRDO News Channel 13 will also host (4) two-hour remote food drives on Saturdays in November - donate food and meet the anchors! Each drive will be from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. at the following locations:

- November 2nd American Furniture Warehouse in Pueblo with James Jarman
- November 9th- University Village in Colorado Springs with Matt Meister
- November 16th-1st and Main Center in Colorado Springs with Eric Singer
- November 23rd- Shops at Briargate in Colorado Springs with Heather Skold

Many thanks to CenturyLink and Two Men and a Truck for their transportation support during Harvest of Love!

Does your school want to participate? Contact Shannon Coker, Community Relations Director, shannon@careandshare.org or call 719-434-4682.



Care and Share Food Bank and Springs Rescue Mission are joining forces to raise 10,000 turkeys

We need everyone's help to make this happen. Here are ways you can participate:

Nov. 9

Let your feet do the talking!" Join us for the Springs Rescue Mission 5K Challenge and 1 Mile fun run. Saturday, November 9th at 9 a.m. Race starts at 5 W. Las Vegas St., Colorado Springs, CO 80903. Please bring a frozen turkey to help kick off the 10,000 turkey team initiative. For more information, visit www.springsrescuemission.org



Nov. 15

Join Sky Sox Baseball and Security Service Federal Credit Union on Friday, November 15th from 6:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. at Security Service Field. Drop off a frozen turkey for families in need this holiday season. Be sure to follow Sky Sox on Twitter (@skysox) & Facebook to find out when Sox the Fox will be at the stadium helping collect turkeys!



Nov. 18-25

Join Panera Bread for their annual A Gobble for All Turkey Drive. Drop off your frozen turkey at any Colorado Springs Panera Bread location and receive \$1 off any turkey salad or sandwich.



Nov. 22

Join us during KLite 106.3's Take a Turkey to Work Day! Organize your office to collect turkeys and bring them to a participating Walmart location (8th Street, Woodmen/Powers, Chapel Hills) from 6 a.m. until 6 p.m. Can't make it to the drive? Text keyword "Turkey" to 41010 to make a \$10.00

donation, which will provide a turkey this holiday season. Standard Message and Data Rates Apply. "A one time donation of \$10.00 will be added to your mobile phone bill or deducted from your prepaid balance. Donor must be age 18+ and all donations must be authorized by the account holder (e.g. parents). By texting YES, the user agrees to the terms and conditions. All effects and shares record balance. Service is available on most carriers. Donorized the benefit of "Care and Share Food Bank" by the Mole Gring Tournation and subject to the terms found at arwwhingdrapt. Message & Data Rates (May Apply, You can unushcribe at any time by texting STOP to short code "4100" (or the HEJ PT or *100") for help. Prever Policy"



Care and Share Food Bank will accept frozen turkeys at their warehouse during regular business hours of 8am-5pm Monday-Friday. They are located 1/4 mile east on Constitution from Powers at 2605 Preamble Point.



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Springs Rescue Mission will receive frozen turkeys at their 1 West Las Vegas MISSION Street warehouse from 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday/ Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

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MORE WAYS YOU CAN HELP THIS HOLIDAY SEASON



What is CARE DRIVE?

It is Care and Share Food Bank's annual food drive held during the holiday months of November and December.

How do I or my business/organization participate?

Identify a point person to serve as the CARE DRIVE coordinator. You choose the length of the collection. Promote the food collection drive during the months of November and/ or December.

What logistics are involved? Care and Share will provide a tool kit and food collection barrels (or instead, you may use boxes) to help you plan a successful campaign. At the end of the food collection drive, we ask you to bring the collected food and/or money to one of Care and Share's locations: 2605 Preamble Point, Colorado Springs or to 100 Greenhorn Drive, Pueblo.

What if we don't have the space or the manpower to handle the food collection drive? No worries. Care and Share offers a virtual food drive option – a place where you can raise money online through an interactive website – that is both engaging and fun for the participant!

Employee giving campaigns, such as CARE DRIVE, are a powerful way to generate financial support and awareness around the issue of hunger in Southern Colorado.

Help Care and Share reach its goal of \$10,000 and 45,000 pounds of food. Every \$1 or 10 lbs. of food donated provides 8 meals.

Thank you for your interest in organizing a CARE DRIVE to benefit Care and Share Food Bank.

Questions? Want to register? Contact us at fooddrive@careandshare.org or 719-528-1247 x4619.

VIRTUAL FOOD DRIVE

Don't have the time or space to organize a traditional food drive? Participate in a Virtual Food Drive.

Care and Share Food Bank is excited to launch a new way to raise money for our hungry neighbors in Southern Colorado and it only takes a few clicks of a mouse. This unique tool allows you to gain participation from your colleagues, family and friends while raising money for Care and Share.

The experience is interactive. You can choose your shopper; decide what items are placed in your grocery cart and even listen to entertaining music while you are shopping. We are procuring 8 meals with every \$1 donation made through virtual food drives.



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After you've collected as much food in your shopping cart that equals the donation amount you have in mind, you check out and a summary of your cart is displayed. At a glance you can quickly understand the value of your donation to Care and Share.

A Virtual Food Drive is easy to set up, can be active for any period of time, is an efficient tool to save time with transporting food, and allows you to stretch your donation.

Host a virtual food drive this month or at any time of the year! To set up your virtual food drive, contact us at fooddrive@careandshare.org.



Stuff the Bus in Pueblo

Thursday, November 21 and Friday, November 22, 2013

KPHT 95.5 partners with Pueblo Transit and Care and Share to "Stuff the Bus" full of food for Pueblo families who do not have enough food this holiday season. Tune into 95.5FM find out how you can donate

nonperishable food items or turkeys to help families enjoy a holiday meal. KPHT 95.5 will be holding their annual Stuff the Bus campaign on November 21st and 22nd from 9am-5pm each day.



Tuesday, December 10, 2013

24 Hours to Give Where You Live. Colorado Springs area nonprofits will participate in Colorado Springs Gives Day, an initiative to increase philanthropy in Colorado through online giving. Donate to Care and Share online at

https://www.coloradogives.org/careandshare and increase the value of your gift with a match by FirstBank.



EMPTY STOCKING FUND 2013 CAMPAIGN

November 28, 2013 - January 17, 2014

The 2013-14 campaign will be held Thanksgiving Day through January 17, 2014. 100% of the funds go directly to agencies to support those in need. This campaign is supported by contributions from The Gazette, El Pomar Foundation, Wells Fargo and ADD STAFF. Every dollar donated

to the Empty Stocking Fund grows up to 45.3 percent through matching funds.

- Bruni Foundation Matches \$10,000 for every \$100,000 raised
- El Pomar Foundation Matches \$1 for every \$3 raised

Care and Share is a recipient of the Gazette-El Pomar Foundation Empty Stocking Fund. For more information, visit http://fillanemptystocking.org/recipient-agencies/

Thanks to our Funders!

The generosity of our grant makers is integral to the work that we do every day to bridge the gap between hunger and abundance. Without their dedication to the betterment of our community, we could not provide nutritious food to the working adults, children, seniors, the ill, and others facing food insecurity throughout Southern Colorado. We truly appreciate each gift and are proud to maintain that for every \$1.00 we receive, \$0.95 goes towards direct services and only \$0.05 goes towards administrative costs.

August (Wildfire relief donors \$1,000 or more)

CarMax-General Operating CenturyLink-Wildfire Relief Chapel of Our Savior-Wildfire Relief El Paso County Community Development Block Grant-Vehicle for Mobile Food Pantry for rural El Paso county Faith Lutheran Church-Wildfire Relief Falcon Freedom Days Association-Wildfire Relief ISS Intelligent Software Solutions-Summer Food Luther T. McCauley Charitable Trust-El Paso County Hunger Relief Noodles and Company-Wildfire Relief San Isabel Electric Association, Inc.-General Operating Thrivent Financial-General Operating Wildwood Casino-Wildfire Relief

September (Wildfire relief donors \$1,000 or more)

Ace Cash Express-Wildfire Relief AlG Matching Grants Program-General Operating Chevron Humankind Matching Gift Program-General Operating CoBank-General Operating Comcast Annual Day of Service-General Operating Conoco Phillips-Wildfire Relief Daniels Fund-General Operating Farm Credit of Southern Colorado-General Operating Nutrition Camp School-Children's Nutrition Initiative St. Francis of Assisi-General Operating Spectrum Laser & Technologies-General Operating Site, Sound, & Security Installation-General Operating UBS Matching Gift Program-General Operating

Create a Hunger-Free Southern Colorado through a Charitable Bequest

Through your donations to Care and Share Food Bank for Southern Colorado, you're making a difference in the fight against hunger today. But did you know that you can help people facing hunger tomorrow by leaving a bequest to Care and Share Food Bank in your will?

The benefits are far-reaching.

Your bequest to Care and Share Food Bank for Southern Colorado will support programs that reach men, women, and children at risk of hunger. Plus, you may be able to exclude some of your estate or inheritance taxes. Speak to your attorney or financial advisor to learn how a bequest to Care and Share can positively impact your estate. Please call Stacy Poore, 719-434-4679 or you may email us at development@careandshare.org



Become a Business Champion

Become a Sponsor

Become Involved

As the sole food bank serving all of Southern Colorado, we work with more than 340 partner agencies throughout our 31-county, 52,000 square mile service area to provide food to the hungry.

There is an ever-growing need for emergency and supplemental food as thousands of Southern Colorado families continue to struggle with meager and diminishing resources. There are many unforeseen circumstances that can lead to food insecurity. More than 165,000 individuals are struggling with hunger, and more than 58,000 of those are children. You can help Care and Share make a difference to our neighbors in need by becoming a Business Champion or a special event sponsor.

These opportunities create a quality venue for your business to be recognized for the work you do as well as for your generous support of our neighbors at risk of hunger. We offer a broad selection of opportunities and we will work with you to find just the right fit with your organization's marketing and philanthropic objectives. Opportunities range in cost from \$500 for our Pallet Partner program or up to \$15,000 to support the cost of operating Care and Share for a day. All support opportunities come with a wide array of benefits for you and your organization.

For more information about how you can become a Business Champion or special event sponsor, please contact Stacy Poore at 719-434-4679 or stacy@ careandshare.org. We would enjoy talking with you.

CONTACT US

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To learn more or to make a donation to Care and Share Food Bank visit www.careandshare.org.



