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Love In the Name of Christ
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Help with the new program Fall of 2017 Volunteers needed...

Affirming Potential applies the biblical philosophy of wholistic help found in Redemptive Compassion. The objective is to help participants start a life-changing, life-long journey: to face and accept their past, better understand the present as they lean into and embrace their future. This 12-week group class evaluates the physical, emotional, relational, and spiritual areas of life. It builds on the foundation that God has created us with intrinsic worth and unique potential. Participants learn how to use the AP Dream Tool, which helps them set and achieve goals and take steps to live out their God-given potential.

Letter From The Director

2 Corinthians 9:12-14

"This service that you perform is not only supplying the needs of the Lord's people but is also overflowing in many expressions of thanks to God. Because of the service by which you have proved yourselves, others will praise God for the obedience that accompanies your confession of the gospel of Christ, and for your generosity in sharing with them and with everyone else. And in their prayers for you their hearts will go out to you, because of the surpassing grace God has given you."

This verse reminds me of your generosity to the ministry of Love INC – Heartland, Love in the Name of Christ. Over the years I have witnessed God using people like you to support the ministry. I am continually amazed and blessed that at the times we need it most, your donations come in. You are the sustaining force behind this vital work. We need your support to continue to meet the growing needs of our community. Your continued support makes it possible for families in our area to partake in programs that create self-sufficiency. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Terri Harris



Financial Donations

Thank you for your financial donations. These donations go directly to programs that are helping families in our communities to become more self-sufficient. Your donation changes lives.

Three Ways To Give:

1. Return the donation form from this newsletter with your donation of cash or check.
2. Go to the Donate tab at loveinheartland.org and donate directly.
3. Or us the QR Code to the right.

We are a 501(c)3 non profit organization and all donations are tax deductible.



Our mission is to mobilize local churches to transform lives and communities in the name of Christ.

1.

Love INC - Heartland Churches

7th Day Adventist - Maple Plain
 Christ Lutheran Church - Maple Plain
 Crow River Church - Delano
 Delano Evangelical Free Church - Delano
 Delano United Methodist Church - Delano
 Faith Community Church - Independence
 First Presbyterian - Howard Lake
 First Presbyterian - Maple Plain
 Immaculate Conception Church - Watertown
 Light of Christ Lutheran - Delano
 Living Waters - Waverly
 Lyndale Lutheran Church - Independence
 Maple Plain Community Church - Maple Plain
 Montrose United Methodist - Montrose
 Our Father's Lutheran Church - Rockford
 Peace Lutheran Church - Watertown
 Riverwood Covenant Church - Rockford
 St. John's Lutheran Church - Howard Lake
 St. James Lutheran Church - Howard Lake
 St. Maximilian Kolbe - Delano
 St. Mary's Catholic Church - Waverly
 St. Paul's United Church of Christ - Delano
 Sts. Peter & Paul Catholic Church - Loretto
 Trinity Lutheran Church - Watertown
 Village Church - Independence
 Watertown Free Church - Watertown
 WestPointe Church - Delano



Sunday School Food Drive - St. John's Church, Howard Lake



Board Members

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Volunteers at the Bedding Ministry

Towns Served

Corcoran	Mayer
Delano	Montrose
Greenfield	Rockford
Howard Lake	Watertown
Independence	Waverly
Loretto	Winsted
Maple Plain	

Delano Thrift Shop

318 Railroad Ave
 (763) 972-6547
 Monday - Thursday: 9am - 2pm
 Friday - Saturday: 9am - 12pm

Howard Lake Shop

801 Highway 12
 (763) 972-6547
 Tues. Wed. Friday: 9am - 4pm
 Thursday: 9am - 6pm
 Saturday: 10am - 2pm

Your purchase helps local families in need.

Love Stories from Love INC

Stories to share the impact of Love INC-Heartland's ministry in our communities.

A vital aspect of Love INC – Heartland's service to families in need is our Relational Ministries. Classes are offered, beginning with Money Management. From there, everything from cooking and parenting classes to bible studies and more are available. Besides immediate needs being met through earned groceries for the entire family, these classes offer life skills that help people grow healthier physically, emotionally, socially and spiritually.

One couple was reluctant to participate in the Money Management class, and quite resistant to getting involved for many months, in fact. At last they decided to join up and quite a transformation occurred in a very short time! The couple was paired with an advisor to mentor them, and not only did they faithfully attend, but never missed a class. By the time the eight-

week class was finished, their financial situation was really turning around. They were able to pay off over \$4,000 of debt and significantly changed their budgeting plan. Now, they are working together and experiencing a newfound hope and optimism for their future. Our Relational Ministries coordinator stated that she had never seen the woman smile before getting involved with this class. They are already signed up for their next class, and are looking forward to the parenting class as well. They love this ministry and are so thankful they chose to begin this journey. With God, all things are possible!

Another example of the long-term impact that Relational Ministries has is found in a special group of participants. A group of five individuals decided to continue on after taking

the Money Management class. They found themselves together in the Successful Living series. Different topics are discussed each week, designed to teach stress coping and communication skills in daily life. When the class started, they were each quiet and reluctant to speak up. But as the weeks went by they began to open up and share their struggles with one another. A bond formed between these five and they became concerned for one another. They started supporting each other and helping each other out, even outside of class. From need to mutual support to friendship, these five are looking ahead together to their next class, the Book of John. A short time ago, not one of them would likely attend a bible study but now, in the strength of relationship they are ready to grow!

Make A Difference Today!

Pray, Give Financially, Give Time, Give Items or Volunteer
For more information call 763-972-6547 option 3

Donation Form

_____ I want to help with a monthly pledge of _____\$25 _____\$50 _____\$75 _____\$100 _____Other

_____ One time gift of \$_____

_____ Please send me information about volunteering for Love INC - Heartland.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Church Affiliation _____

Mail this to: Love INC Heartland, P.O. Box 143, Delano MN 55328. 763-972-6547

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Upcoming Events

Otten Brothers Give and Grow

Shop at Otten Bros. in Long Lake or the Flower Farm in Delano from April 22 - May 31st, mention Love INC - Heartland and 10% of your purchase will go directly to help neighbors in need through Love INC's programs!
See insert for details.



Spring Gala

Watch the mail for your personal invitation to this year's Un-Gala Event! In order to be good stewards of our time and resources, we are not having a Spring Gala this year. Instead you are invited to partner with us in ministry by simply participating through your financial gift. Plant the seeds you will receive, and as you enjoy them "forget not" our local families in need.

You may donate by going online at www.loveinheartland.org or mail your generous donation in the enclosed envelope.

Can You Dig It?

Spring Fling Plant Sale at Love INC - Heartland in Howard Lake.

Bring your surplus plants to either Delano or the Howard Lake Love INC - Heartland Store. Plant sale begins May 16th. Your purchase helps local neighbors in need.
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