THE LINC QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER

"You have no idea how much you have helped us out for Christmas. Our kids will love these toys and new clothes!

-Resource Recipient

2022 Recap

36 Families received Holiday gifts

13 People supplied with food & gas

Free Community

31 Community members clothed

47 People provided with temporary housing

People provided with rental assistance

122 Hygiene Items given away

195 Warm jackets given away

Folks received warm shelter for the night

3,332 Community members served

33,650 Dollars raised for Kicks 4 Kids



Kicks for Kids is our newest project that will supply unaccompanied youth with the opportunity to buy themselves a brand new pair of shoes! This project will support students across Marysville, Lakewood, and Granite Falls.

Thank you to the Marysville-Tulalip Chamber of Commerce for your support!



NORTHWEST

Winter greetings!

What an incredible season of laughter, service, relationship, and community support we've had! As you can see in the column on the left, we have been so busy this year! We wrapped up 2022 by distributing 375 holiday meal kits to families in need, raising \$33,650 to buy shoes for children and youth that are homeless and/or unaccompanied, and opening our cold weather shelter for 50 of the last 61 days. We are operating at just under capacity and are looking to expand our team of staff and volunteers to support keeping folks warm through these cold weather months!

In 2023 our team will be growing! We're adding a resource navigator and a CPWI coordinator, and we'll be working to add a staff bookkeeper and a part-time drop-in staff. In the upcoming months you can also look out for more community events, new volunteer opportunities, and student-based programs. Happy Holidays,

Ryan Brown, Executive Director



Fall Festival & Día De Los Muertos

We braved the rain for an excellent celebration! In coordination with Keep Dreams Alive and Lakewood High School's FFA program, we played games, gave away candy, and learned all about Día de los Muertos. 150 community members came and joined in on the fun!

Thank you to everyone who came, supported, and brought candy! You helped make this event a blast!







Holiday Meals

This holiday season, LINC NW provided 145 Thanksgiving meals and 125 Christmas meals to Marysville and Lakewood families!

HUGE thank you to our sponsor for their enthusiastic support of this community!



Upcoming Events

After School Student Hangout Feb 10, 1pm-5pm at The Center

> Family Valentines Dance Feb 11, 5:30-7:30 Free! At The Center.

Starting January 2023 LINC NW will be open to the community Tues, Wed, Thurs 9am-2pm



How You Can Help!

Through your contributions, we can provide...

\$10.00

- 1 Pack of Socks
- 1 Pack of Underwear
- -1 Winter Hat
- 2 Pairs of Winter Gloves
- Feminine Hygiene Products

<u>\$25.00</u>

- Full Set of Hygiene Items
- 1 Pair of Kids Shoes
- Kids Winter Jacket

<u>\$50.00</u>

- Gas / Grocery Card
- 1 Pair of Adult Shoes

\$200.00

- Pack of Socks -- All Sizes
- Pack of Underwear -- All Sizes
- 4 Pairs of Adult Shoes
- 8 Pairs of Kids Shoes

Partner Shout Out

Keep Dreams Alive focuses on the underserved Latinx community in Marysville. We are excited to join with them to reach out to all who call this area home.



Cold Weather Shelter

Marysville's Cold Weather shelter opened November 1st, and is operating inside of Bethlehem Lutheran Church. The shelter moved location from last year to increase accessibility and bring the shelter closer to city center. Since the shelter has opened, we have been able to serve many more people, here's a snapshot of what the shelter has been through:

- Training new volunteers after we had already opened
- Major windstorm that took out power for the Church and many of our staff's homes
- Moving the shelter to another space within the building
- Open 14 nights in a row in November
- Open Wednesday night before Thanksgiving with less than 36 hours' notice
- Open 20 days in November & 16 days in December

Since opening on November 1st, we have served 86 individuals and are continuing to grow!

Staff Updates

Erin Maas will be leaving LINC NW at the end of the year, and **Mariel Gonzalez** will be leaving LINC NW on January 31st. Please join us in thanking them for all of their work!

Alisha Purdom is our new Director of Community Engagement. With a background in Leadership Development and Behavioral Health, she is passionate about fostering intentional relationships and meaningful connections throughout Marysville and Lakewood.

United Lakewood will have a new Coalition Coordinator starting early January. Join us in welcoming them both!

24 for Twenty Four Team

Collaborate with LINC NW to create lasting change in our communities!

Join the 24 for Twenty four and be a part of the team!

Levels:

#24Together -- \$24/month for 24 Months

- +Quarterly Gatherings
- +Monthly updates
- +Surprises throughout the year!

#24Invested -- \$48/month for 24 Months

- +Includes all above and LINC NW Swaq!
- #24Makes An Impact -- \$96/month for 24 Months
 - +Includes all above and 2 seats at our Lives Changed event in 2023 & 2024!

Join here!





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