Overview

What Is Love INC?

Love In the Name of Christ is a proven model that networks local churches, church volunteers, and community organizations together to help people in need. Through Love INC, churches are mobilized to work together, across denominational lines, to provide coordinated help to struggling neighbors. All Love INCs provide basic needs such as food and clothing through generous donations, while more established Love INC ministries also provide services such as mentoring, life skills training, and/or transitional housing programs.

Why Do Communities Need Love INC?

Churches, individuals, and agencies operating independently of each other are simply not able to meet the complex needs of a diverse community. Yet when churches work together, across denominational lines, they are able to not only meet multi-faceted needs but transform lives.

How Does Love INC Work?

The Clearinghouse is the foundation of Love INC. Through it, Love INC receives requests for help, screens the requests (to evaluate the extent and legitimacy of the need), and refers the requests to a local church ministry, church volunteer, or community agency. Then Love INC follows up to ensure the need was met and to offer spiritual support. Through the Clearinghouse, Love INC also identifies gaps in services and resources



in the community and helps churches develop ministries to "fill in the gaps" not being met by agencies or the government. As they develop, many Love INCs add Transformational Ministries. Through these ministries, Love INC helps individuals and families in chronic need make lasting changes. Love INC trains and links church volunteers with people in need on a long-term basis to provide mentoring, goal setting, skills training, spiritual encouragement, and emotional support. Lastly, some affiliates go even further to engage community leaders and address the deeper issues that contribute to poverty and hopelessness through Community Transformational Ministry programs.

Why Does Love INC Work?

Love INC has over 45 years of experience mobilizing churches to meet the needs of their community, resulting in proven best practices. There are untapped resources in the Body of Christ that Love INC mobilizes on behalf of those in need. Love INC gives Christians specific, manageable opportunities to put their faith and love to work in the service of people in need. Love INC meets needs through loving relationships, and scripture tells us that love never fails (I Corinthians 13:8).

Who Makes Up Love INC?

Love INC is more than a passionate staff and board. Love INC is the local Body of Christ. Without churches and church volunteers, the Love INC Movement would cease to exist.

Who Benefits From Love INC?

- People in need receive holistic help through a network of church and community services and resources.
- Church members are given the opportunity to use their gifts in specific, manageable ways to serve others.
- Local churches no longer work alone to meet the needs that come through their doors but with other members of the Body of Christ they are best able to fulfill their Biblical mandate to serve neighbors in need.
- Community agencies can expand their services by referring people to Love INC or by receiving referrals.

THE LOVE INC MODEL

When care is not coordinated, needs can be overlooked or duplicated, and people are not served in a holistic manner.



Love INC fosters collaboration and organizes holistic care to help churches serve their neighbors through resources and relationships.

