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"And He shall make you white as snow...."

Isaiah 1:18

# Love INC
## Love In the Name of Christ

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Connection Center Hours
Tuesday–Thursday 10am–2pm

Join our mailing list online to receive our monthly newsletter.

## Connection Center

The Connection Center is the foundation of Love INC. Through the Connection Center, Love INC receives requests for help, screens the requests for extent of need and legitimacy, and refers the requests to a local church ministry, church volunteer, or community agency.

The Connection Center is staffed by our Client Care Coordinator, Jodi Lubeck, who oversees well-trained volunteers who serve as Intake Specialists.

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Tuesday–Thursday 10am–2pm

**Call 715.424.LOVE (5683)** or visit **www.LoveINCswc.org** to submit a request for help.

MOBILIZING LOCAL CHURCHES TO TRANSFORM LIVES AND COMMUNITIES IN THE NAME OF CHRIST

HELPING CHURCHES HELP PEOPLE

# Love Story

"In Tune" is what would be said about one of Love INC's volunteers, Jim Price! Jim is a person who is very 'in tune' to other people, to situations, and to what God is trying to tell them!

Jim was asked to do an assessment for a neighbor Daniel* in need of lawn work. It was quickly discovered that both were Veterans, so they had plenty to talk about. Jim was able to help Daniel by getting the lawn work done … "I like to do things for people as if I were doing it for myself," said Jim…thus he edged and cleaned up too!

A few months later, Jim kept thinking about Daniel, and realized God was putting him on his heart for a reason. So, Jim stopped by to visit Daniel. **"It's not enough to meet a physical need but you need to see if they have a spiritual need as well,"** says Jim. The two Veterans have formed a bond. Jim realized Daniel wanted a flagpole in his yard for his MIA/POW and U.S. flags, so he made it happen! As the bond between these two Veterans deepened, Jim asked Daniel to join him at a breakfast Bible study. Daniel began attending regularly, and his new friends gifted him with a Bible. Daniel told one of the volunteers, "Jim is great. I love him. You've (Love INC) helped me so much. You've changed my life." The truth is, God changed Daniel's life using people willing to serve at just the right time.

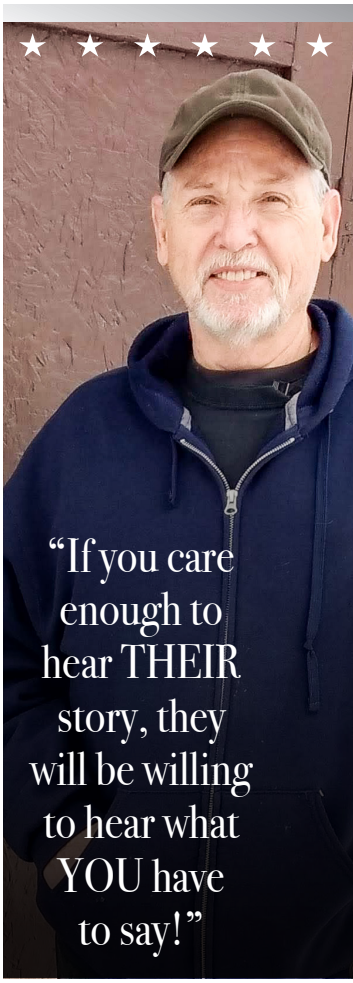
Jim said the Book of John, chapter 4, guides his life. It is the story of the woman at the well.

Jim says, "Everybody's got a story…I listen." He continued, "If you care enough to hear their story, they will be willing to hear what you have to say!"

**May the Lord direct your hearts into God's love and Christ's perseverance.** *2 Thessalonians 3:5*

*Daniel is a pseudonym

*Jim has recently passed away—leaving behind a legacy of love.*




Jim Price
Love INC Volunteer

Love INC of SWC is blessed by the faithful Connection Center volunteers.

# THANKS TO YOUR GENEROSITY IN 2021.... TOGETHER WE WERE ABLE TO:

strengthen **29** relationships **CHURCHES**

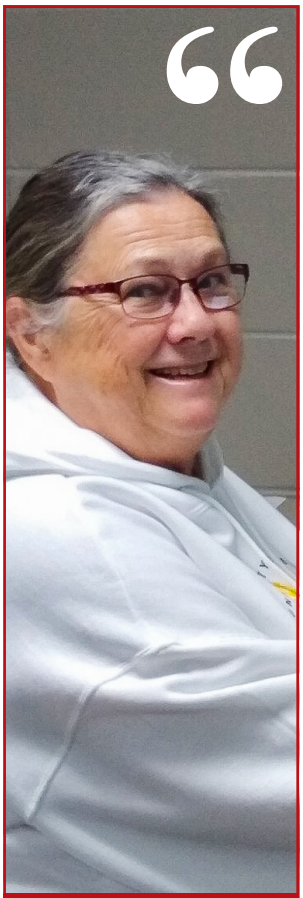
equip & **75** AGENCIES & ORGS empower

**14** INFO SESSIONS **5** PARTNER CHURCH BREAKFASTS

mobilize **154** VOLUNTEERS

**5,964** VOLUNTEER HOURS

**537** NEEDS & serve **148** FAMILIES



**Lottie McDermott**
Love INC Volunteer

"I get so much joy from working with you guys and being part of something so much bigger than myself. I feel joy when I'm here. It's not like work. I get an inner glow from serving here. I'm part of a Christian family now. It makes me feel alive." –Lottie

## Greatest Needs

### Prayer support:

Join us in faithful prayers for our community, Mondays at 10:30am.

### Connections to your network:

Warm introductions to people we should know.

### Volunteers:

- **Connection Center Intake Specialists:** 9:30am–2pm Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday openings, flexible assignments to meet your schedule.
- **Household Items Team Members:** Flexible, 10–20 hrs/month.
- **Faith & Finance Team Allies:** Flexible, approximately 5 hrs/month.
- **Board members:** Approximately 10–12 hrs/month.
- **Videographer:** Flexible assignments to meet your schedule.

**Volunteering for a specific need has never been easier.** The website has the most pressing needs posted with a link to an online volunteer application. You can also apply by calling 715-818-5928 to talk with Jan.

## Mexican Lunch *or* Dinner

**Thursday, February 17th**

**Join us for Lunch at Noon *or* Dinner at 5:30 pm**
**710 20th Avenue South, Wisconsin Rapids**

✔Learn the story of Love INC and hear about our mission to transform lives and communities in the Name of Christ.
✔Tour the building ✔Meet our staff

**Enjoy a Mexican Fiesta!**

Please RSVP by Monday, February 14th!
715-424-LOVE (5683)

# Big News at Love INC of South Wood County

## Please welcome our new Executive Director: Larry Daughenbaugh

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Larry Daughenbaugh

**NEW EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR WELCOME**

The Love INC Board of Directors is pleased to introduce the new Executive Director, Larry Daughenbaugh. Larry comes to us with many years of experience and a proven track record of passionate ministry growth and development. Over the last 15 years, Larry has served as a Director, Executive Director, CEO, and founder of one ministry and two thrift stores. Through the leading of the Holy Spirit, God used Larry to bring communities together. He facilitated teamwork at its very best while becoming that 'cup of cold water' in Jesus' name for those struggling and broken.

We are excited to welcome Larry, and fully expect God will use him to lead Love INC into the next level of success which God has ordained for this vital ministry. After accepting the position, Larry wrote, "I am sincerely humbled and honored at the opportunity to serve, for such a time as this. To say that I am excited to see what the Lord is going to do as we move onward and upward fulfilling the mission and vision of Love INC, is an understatement to say the least. I wish to thank the Board for its vote of confidence in me and its support of me!"

**OUTGOING EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

DaNita Carlson has chosen to step down from the Executive Director position, but is not stepping out of this ministry!

DaNita has been instrumental in the founding and success of this affiliate since its inception in 2016. During her tenure, Love INC has established a community of seventeen partner churches and numerous organizations with the spirit of organizing, promoting, and intentionally mobilizing much needed services and support. During this time, Love INC has also grown its volunteer base to over 150 volunteers. Approximately 530 families have been served during this time as well.

Under DaNita's guidance, Love INC has begun the task of developing Gap Ministries and Transformational Ministries which focus on filling "gaps in services" and helping neighbors reach their full potential.

DaNita's new adventure at Love INC is serving as the Church Mobilization Coordinator (CMC). In this part-time role, she will work with churches to develop ministries to meet the needs of our community. DaNita shared, "I truly have enjoyed my time leading Love INC. I look forward to serving as the CMC, which, I think, is a perfect fit for my God-given gifts and talents. I'm grateful God has provided another opportunity for me to serve with Love INC, which also gives me more time to invest in my family."

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DaNita Carlson

# PERCEPTION MATTERS…

## It can tell our story, reflect the excellence of our God, and open doors to engagement.

We are constantly bombarded with marketing messages. Love INC may not be competing to sell a widget but believe it or not, how our community perceives Love INC matters—and in many cases, its a logo or a publication that gets the first chance to do the speaking for us. That's a lot of pressure on a logo. **// what we're about // what we're like // our style // our mission //** …can all be subject to the look and feel of things as trivial as our logo or the fonts we use. Love INC national has just rolled out a huge branding facelift to better "tell our story" through communications spanning the nation. Over the coming months you will be introduced to a new Love INC logo, a fresh color palette, and updated styling to better represent the innovative, fresh, and flexible organization that represents us all!

We are blessed to be part of such a wonderful national network of Love INC affiliates with which we can share strategies for meeting needs, raising awareness, and utilizing proven resources to accomplish our calling.

**The brand-new Love INC logo will be officially revealed on February 7th.**