



Love INC of South Wood County

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Ellie* called the Connection Center with an impending need. The elderly parent with whom she shared her rented house had recently passed away. "Half of the household income is gone," she told Love INC. "I don't know how I am going to pay the rent." Ellie also mentioned how alone she felt. Oftentimes there is a physical or material need when people call in, but the emotional and spiritual needs are there, also. Love Story

Ellie was put in touch with a local agency to see what help was out there for her upcoming rent. She also went through a budget assessment to determine where she could make adjustments and see just what assets she had available. Caring individuals at the Connection Center called Ellie and asked her about what she was grateful for.

"My job!" Ellie answered. She described how much she loved her job at a local retail place. Ellie had taken a leave of absence when her parent passed away, but now was ready to return to work. Love INC staff listened to her and suggested increasing her hours. Ellie was timid at first but then she spoke to her supervisor and was on her way to not only more hours but a promotion to another department.

Ellie's rent money problem was pretty much solved. But Ellie told Love INC how her heart was still empty. The Connection Center arranged for Careline specialists to call Ellie. Careline specialists listened to Ellie and prayed with her. Soon Ellie was feeling stronger and happier. "I love praying with you!" she often remarked.

Ellie even came in and helped clean the kitchen at Love INC. She wanted to give back. But the most striking thing is Ellie's newfound joy. "I'm not alone anymore," Ellie told us. "I have all of you and I have Jesus in my heart!"

*Ellie is a pseudonym



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It works like this...

We are passing this giving opportunity on to you, our newsletter friends, as well as to our 19 Church Partners. Starting Sunday, October 8th - Sunday, November 12th coin boxes can be filled with your loose change. We ask they be returned to Love INC SWC the week of November 13th.

We hope that this will be used as a tool to teach the joy of giving within our churches and families. Our goal is to distribute 300 boxes and average \$25 a box.

Thank you for helping us to promote this time of giving. This is such a small tool and yet can be very profound in teaching the joy of giving.

This offering will go to our general fund and help Love INC to show love in the name of Christ to the people of South Wood County. God bless you as you serve Him!

GRAND OPENING SUCCESS!

On Wednesday, Sept. 13th there was a ribbon cutting with the Heart of Wisconsn Chamber of Commerce. So, we can now say, "We are officially open for business!"

Thank you to all those who have supported this Love INC venture through donations, serving, and shopping.

See the store and donation center hours below the graphic to the right. Follow their Facebook page for specials and information!

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