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LSS NEWS & NOTES

OCTOBER 2019

SPOTLIGHT POP INTO OUR BOOTH!



Thanks to a generous grant from the Warne Foundation, LSS will be participating in a number of ministry conferences throughout Southern California and Arizona. POP into our booth for a sweet treat and learn more about our programs and ministries.

ELCA
The Oasis - Pastor's Leaders Conference
October 21-24, 2019
Embassy Suites
Palm Desert, CA

WELCA SWCA
Synod Autumn Renewal
October 12-13, 2019
Cal Lutheran University
Thousand Oaks, CA

WELCA
Pacifica Synod Fall Gathering
November 1-2, 2019
King of Glory
Fountain Valley, CA

LCMS Lutheran Educators Conference
November 24-26, 2019
JW Marriott
Palm Springs, CA



FROM THE DESK OF *Ellen*

For more than seven decades Lutheran Social Services of Southern California has served women, men and children who struggle daily on the margins of society. LSS began in San Diego providing food to returning veterans of World War II.

Today we are present in six Southern California counties, where we operate over 75 different programs. Some of our clients need help just to make it through the day. Other people are employed, but their money runs out before the end of the month.

LSS is well known for our food pantries and clothes closets, but that is just the beginning. Our case managers help people address all types of crises, but also assist them in moving

beyond their particular challenge to a more stable and secure life.

Your support of Lutheran Social Services of Southern California makes such a difference to many people. We could not provide these services without your faithful and dedicated contributions. The information that follows offers a brief description of our agency. For more information, please visit our website at lsssc.org.

In Christ's Service,
Ellen D Waield
Ellen Waield, Interim CEO
Lutheran Social Services of Southern California

Among the services offered:

Behavioral health counselors for those struggling with debilitating addictions

Shelter for up to 70 homeless men in San Bernardino

Safety and therapy for women who have been victims of domestic violence

Programs supporting first-generation students entry into Post-graduation schools

Permanent supportive housing for at risk HIV residents

Specialists helping clients gain government benefits they deserve

Helping clients obtain Section 8 housing

Programing and care for adults with intellectual & developmental disabilities

Credit repair, financial literacy training, obtaining a California Identification Card

LSS is also a HUD certified Housing Counseling Agency



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Mental Health Promoters
September through December
at 10:00 am PST
We are partnering with LA County Mental Health to provide free workshops.

Riverside's Walk to Fight Poverty
• Saturday, October 5th
• 7:30 am
www.lsssc.org/walk-a-thon

Garden Grove's Walk to Fight Poverty
• Saturday, October 26th
• 8:00 am to 10:30 am
www.lsssc.org/walk-a-thon

CCLM San Bernardino Christmas with the Homeless
• Saturday, December 14th
• 4:00 pm
This is an event for the Men in the Shelter. We can use volunteers, donations of Men's Clothing new and used, Men's Shoes, Monetary Donations.

Long Beach 22nd Annual Winter Wonderland Christmas Celebration
• Saturday, December 14th
• 11:00 am
This is an event that is for our Long Beach program participants, their family and friends. They must be on our guest list to participate.

CCLM San Bernardino Hope Lutheran Puppet Show
Worship time
• Sunday, December 22nd
• 5:00 pm
This event is a puppet show hosted by Hope Lutheran of Temecula. Open to the public followed by a Community Meal (Dinner).

LSS LOCATIONS THROUGHOUT SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

CENTRAL CITY LUTHERAN MISSION (CCLM) cclminfo@LSSSC.org 909-381-6921



Central City Lutheran Mission (CCLM) helps people seeking shelter, food, education, and health services. Established in San Bernardino by five Lutheran churches in 1994, CCLM joined Lutheran Social Services of Southern California in July 2015.

CCLM supports the critical needs of San Bernardino's most vulnerable residents. In addition to shelter for up to 70 homeless men each night, we also provide *Transitional (CSRI) Housing, Permanent Supportive Housing and housing for men participating in our Workforce Development Program.*

The mission's presence helps those in crisis with emergency services, case management, life-skills training and referrals regarding employment and education. Many individuals and families in the surrounding neighborhood rely on CCLM for community meals, access to computers, classes on sewing and physical exercise, and a clothes closet.

ORANGE COUNTY ocinfo@LSSSC.org 714-534-6450

Our Orange County center, located in Garden Grove, provides the following services to homeless and low-income individuals and families: counseling; housing; rental assistance; transportation and case management for women and their families who have been victims of crime; food, clothing and hygiene packs, as well as supportive services that help clients access additional community resources. We also have annual events in collaboration with local churches, to support families during the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays.



RIVERSIDE rcinfo@LSSSC.org 951-689-7847



LSS Riverside provides comprehensive case management and critical assistance to our clients. Our office has moved to 4162 Rubidoux Ave., Riverside 92506.

We operate a food pantry, offer utility assistance, housing assistance (deposits, arrears payments), transportation assistance (gas or bus vouchers), benefits assistance (medical insurance), and Cal Fresh Credit Repair. We also conduct workshops on financial literacy and career empowerment.

RURAL SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY
sbcinfo@LSSSC.org 909-866-5070

LSS San Bernardino County provides mental health services to at-risk individuals of all ages in rural and isolated communities. Services include case management, therapeutic interventions, medication support services, behavioral modification and stress reduction.



SAN DIEGO COUNTY sdinfo@LSSSC.org 858-483-4007

San Diego County currently offers a range of programs for seniors, youth, and those in need of emergency services. We strategically partner with schools, churches, and other community locations to bring our services where they are needed most.



We operate the Cathy Hopper Clairemont Friendship Center, Senior Companion Program, two educational TRiO programs that support entry for first-generation students into post-graduation institutions, an emergency food pantry, and Caring Neighbors. This method of partnering allows us to provide service opportunities that are valuable for our clients and volunteers.

SAN FERNANDO VALLEY sfinfo@LSSSC.org 818-901-9480



Our center in San Fernando Valley primarily focuses on those without permanent housing and at-risk individuals and families. Our programs are developed to provide families with resources, education, and long-term plans needed to help them find their way out of poverty.

We offer a full range of short-term assistance, including food and clothing, counseling and case management, which provides referrals and individual guidance to assist an individual or family in reaching an increased place of self-confidence and dignity.

SAN GABRIEL VALLEY sgvinfo@LSSSC.org 626-564-0191

Our center in Pasadena is home to our innovative Avanti program for individuals experiencing intellectual or developmental disabilities. Avanti successfully engages participants in the community through social and volunteer opportunities.



SOUTH BAY/LONG BEACH lbsbinfo@LSSSC.org 562-599-1321



Our Long Beach Center provides the following services to homeless and low income individuals and families: Comprehensive Emergency Assistance program, including food, clothing, hygiene items and blankets; assistance for individuals applying for disability benefits; and assistance with housing and case management for homeless and low income people.

VENTURA COUNTY vcinfo@LSSSC.org 805-497-6207

Our Thousand Oaks Center provides drop-in services to the homeless and low-income individuals and families, providing access to food, showers and laundry facilities. We also offer rental assistance, and assistance with housing and case management services.



housing@lsssc.org
909-866-2792



info@lssrealty.org
909-366-3284

HOUSING COUNSELING AND LSS REALTY

LSS is an approved "Local Housing Counseling Agency" by the U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD). We provide workshops for those looking to purchase a home, or who seek to remain in their home.

LSS Realty & Lending is a division of Lutheran Social Services. Our licensed brokers offer services as do other real estate companies, except any monies earned through our services are deposited back into LSSSC community-based programs.

We also work closely with Lutheran Disaster Response (LDR) like the Woolsey fires in Ventura County and the earthquake in Trona.



Volunteer Registration is as easy as 1, 2, 3!

1) Download Mobile App:

Android Phones: Go to Google Play Store

- Search Lutheran Social Services
- Click download and install app
- Log-in and complete form as instructed

iPhones: Go to iTunes

- Search LSSSC
- Click download and install app
- Log-in and complete form as instructed

2) Desktop or Laptop Computer:

- Visit www.lsssc.org
- Click on the volunteer page
- Follow the instructions

3) Contact Deborah Groom:

Director of Volunteer Services
dgroom@lsssc.org or 714.244.4261

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BOARD OF DIRECTOR MEMBERSHIP	JOB READINESS
CASE MANAGEMENT	MENTORING
CLERICAL	SUPPORT GROUP
CLIENT INTAKE	TRADE SKILLS
COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT	VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR
EVENTS	WEBSITE AND GRAPHIC
FOOD & CLOTHING DISTRIBUTION	WRITER
FOOD PICKUP	AND MANY MORE!

Volunteer Application (mail-in option)

Name _____

Email _____ Phone _____

Please mail to:

247 E Amerige, Fullerton, CA 92832 Attn: Deborah Groom



Lutheran Social Services of
Southern California
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Fullerton, CA 92832

(same building, note new address)

John and Jane Smith
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OUR GOAL IS TO HAVE ONE ANGEL IN EVERY SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA LUTHERAN CHURCH



We are also looking for an Angel in every congregation. In Scripture, Angels were announcers, messengers and news-tellers. LSS needs Angels to help us connect. Pastors know the parish,

but LSS Angels are familiar with the larger neighborhood surrounding the congregation.

If you are interested in being one of our Angels, contact Jennifer Olles at Info@LSSSC.org or (714) 244-4276.



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