

“Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up.”

Galatians 6:9



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# THE OUTREACH

*Reaching Out With Care To Our Community Since 1996*

*2018 Marks 22 Years of Service*

## School Shoes for Kids 2018

**1,496 Shoes & Socks Distributed ~ 723 Families Served ~ 170 Volunteers**

On August 17th & 18th we held our 8th Annual School Shoes for Kids distribution event. We hold this event every August to help families prepare for back to school by providing children ages K-8th grade with a new pair of shoes and socks. A huge thank you to our neighbor, Brick's Conditioning Lab, for letting us use their building space for the shoe event. We had lemonade and water for the customers waiting outside as well as Molina, SNAP & AVISTA helping connect people with resources in the community. With the help of 170 volunteers we fitted 1,496 kids with a new pair of shoes and socks. Our goal was to provide 1,300 pair of shoes this year, which we easily surpassed...highlighting the ever growing need in our community. This was our largest year yet and we couldn't have done it without the help of our sponsors and volunteers.



**Kiwanis**



### Local Churches, Community Groups & Businesses

St. Aloysius Catholic Church ~ East Spokane Kiwanis Club ~ Spokane Valley United Methodist Church  
Holy Cross Lutheran Church ~ Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church ~ First Presbyterian Church  
Christ the King Anglican Church ~ St. John's Lutheran Church ~ Manito Presbyterian Church  
St. Joseph Catholic Parish ~ Kiwanis Club of Northeast Spokane ~ Souls to Soles  
Southside Senior & Community Center ~ Safeway Mission & Hamilton ~ Avista ~ Spokane Valley Screen Printing  
Payless Shoe Store ~ Skechers ~ HUB ~ International Employees ~ Spokane Speed Academy Track Club

*Thanks to the many individuals who donated shoes, socks and funds to help with this event.*



# Annual Shoe Event Good Times!





# Volunteer Spotlight



“Each of us should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God’s grace in its various forms.”

1 Peter 4:10

Mission Community Outreach Center is an organization that puts a variety of faithful stewards to work. From doctor, to teacher, to homemakers and many more, we come to serve. Dedicated volunteers

and board members alike take time week after week to help put clothes on the backs of adults and children alike. Refugees, the homeless and those simply down on

their luck walk through the doors three days a week. All are welcomed with open arms. Donations are given-not sold to individuals and their families; all of which are documented and tracked in great detail.

I recently volunteered at the shoe drive for children that were heading back to school. A total of 1,496 pairs of shoes were fitted and distributed to children. The joy expressed in receiving a brand new pair of shoes for school was evidenced in their smiles and shining eyes.

Not only do the families show their appreciation, but the staff (volunteers, themselves) consistently show how much it means to them having us there, making all of it possible. Got a minute or two to check it out? To match your God-given talents to various tasks at Mission Community Outreach Center? We hope so-we’d love you to give it a try.

*Bonnie Betchel, Weekly Volunteer*



## 9th Annual Children’s Christmas Joy

We are preparing for our 9th Annual Children’s Christmas Joy event which will take place on Friday, December 7th and Saturday,



December 8th. We recently completed our 8th annual “School Shoes for Kids” drive and it was the largest ever. Last year we served over 800 children for “Christmas Joy” and we are preparing for the event to be larger as well. This year we will also be giving out new underwear as well as clothing & books. If your church or community group would like a collection barrel to help us collect clothing for this event, please let us know!

## Save the Dates!

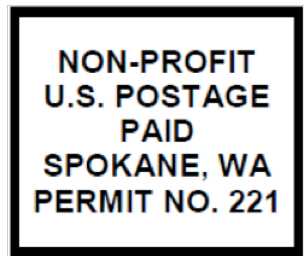
**October 8th- 22nd**  
**Fall Hygiene Drive**



**November 1st- November 30th**  
**Children’s Christmas Joy**  
**Clothing Drive**



**December 7th & 8th**  
**Children’s Christmas Joy**  
**Distribution**



## 2018 MCOC Hygiene Drive October 8th- 22nd

We provide hygiene items every 60 days to  
low-income and homeless Spokane families in need.

Can you help us provide these very basic items?

- Soap
- Shampoo  
(children & babies, too)
- Conditioner
- Deodorant
- Lotion
- Combs/Brushes
- Baby Powder
- Diaper Cream
- Toothpaste
- Toothbrushes
- Chapstick
- Shaving Cream
- Razors
- Women's Hygiene  
Products



## Volunteer with us!

Are you looking for a great volunteer opportunity?  
We have a spot for you!!

**Wednesdays 1:30-4:00pm**

working at the front desk helping customers, or

**Monday, Wednesdays**

**& Thursdays 1:30-4:00pm,**

helping sort, organize and re-stock the floor  
with clothing for our customers to shop.

## MCOC Wish List

Toddler & Men's  
Winter Clothing

Gently used Shoes

Children's Winter Clothing

