

*"Serve one another in love" Galatians 5:13*



# The Outreach

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## Shoes, Shoes, and More Shoes!

Last year, I had the privilege to help with MCOC's annual free School Shoes for Kids distribution. First, we collected and inventoried 2,614 pairs of shoes, from little kid size 8 to adult size 12. We even had requests for adult sizes 14 and 15, for 8th graders. Searching through various shops around town (and on vacation), we found great prices on new shoes.

How does it work? Parents or guardians can register online ([www.4mission.org](http://www.4mission.org)) during the first two weeks of August. Then, volunteers pack up each family's request including a pair of socks for each child. On the day of the event, parents/guardians pick up their treasures and are able to try them on. Shoes the wrong size? Forgot to register? No problem – there's a separate section to try on other shoes.

We are excited to announce that this year we are increasing the range from pre-school through 12th grade as supplies last. In total, we gave out 1,817 pairs of shoes in 2024 and hope to have over 2,000 pairs in 2025.

If you would like to help, we are looking for new athletic-style shoes. Especially needed are kids size 10 through youth size 4 for boys or girls. Or, you can send us money and we'll shop for you.

We're also looking for volunteers August 11th to 15th to help us pack and distribute the shoes. It's great fun seeing the kiddos with their brand-new shoes, ready for school. Please contact us if you are interested in volunteering at this amazing event.

The actual distribution will be Friday, August 15th at Stevens School, 1717 E Sinto Ave, from 10am-6pm.

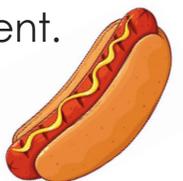
Teresa Venne, MCOC Board Member



## Kickin' it Up a Notch

We are excited to announce a few new additions to this year's shoe event.

- DSHS Van will be at our event to serve families.
- We are now serving kids preschool - 12th grade
- East Spokane Kiwanis will be cooking and serving hot dogs to our guests.



***"Equality is giving everyone a shoe, equity is giving everyone a shoe that fits"***

# Thank You for Helping!

Spokane Valley United Methodist Church for collecting & donating hygiene items.



Millwood Roll Call for purchasing 30 cases of toilet paper.



**Millwood Community**  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Jewelry Design Center and Spokane Beard & Mustache Club Donation for donating \$2,735 to our diaper bank.

## Successful Civic Theatre Fundraiser

We're thrilled to announce that our recent Civic Theatre Fundraising Event was a tremendous success—we raised \$6,240! Your presence, energy, and generosity helped make the night unforgettable and meaningful for our entire community.

## Mark your Calendars!

We're already planning next year's theatre night with East Spokane Kiwanis Club.

**June 10, 2026 – Hunchback of Notre Dame (MUSICAL)**

We can't wait to see you there for another magical evening. Stay tuned for details—and thank you again for being part of our mission!



## Save the Date

**October 14th, 2025**

Threads of Care Fundraising and  
Silent Auction



# 29 Years of Impact

This month marks 29 years of service to our community. It's a moment to pause, reflect, and recognize the work we've done—and the people who've made it possible.

Over nearly three decades, we've faced challenges, celebrated milestones, and grown stronger with each step. None of it would have happened without the dedication of our supporters, volunteers, partners, and community.

Thank you for being part of our journey. We're excited for what's ahead—and honored to keep moving forward with your continued support.

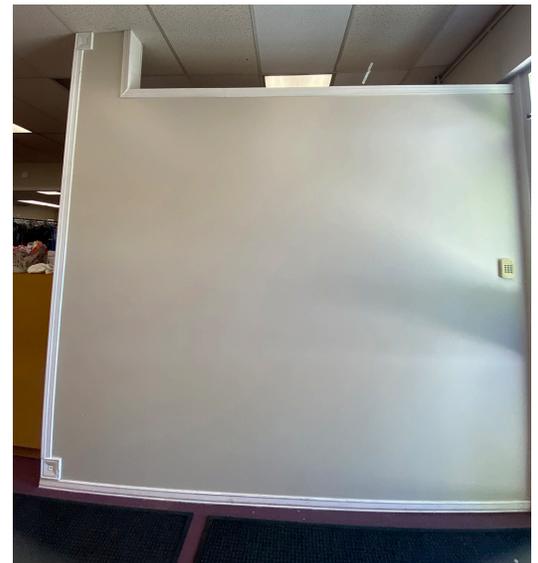


## Love DIY? Got a Creative Side?

We've got an empty wall and a big idea: to turn it into a vibrant Resource Center.

If you enjoy hands-on projects and want to be part of something meaningful, we'd love to have you on board.

Let's build something great together. Email us at [mcoc.spokane@gmail.com](mailto:mcoc.spokane@gmail.com) if you are interested.



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