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Greetings,



Operation Holiday Serves Over 5000 Households With Food

Wichita is blessed with so many sharing and caring people.

It was only a matter of hours after the news was released about the small amount of food on-hand for the first day of distribution when Wichitans began to respond with cash donations and food.

Thank you everyone for making the holidays a little brighter for those in need.

Most of you weren't able to hear the thank yous, or see the gratitude in the faces of those receiving help from Operation Holiday. Parents who had both been laid-off and struggling to make ends meet. Seniors who stretch every dollar to make it through the month. Single parents whose employment options would not pay enough to cover the expense of childcare needed while they are at work. They asked to have their gratitude passed to those who gave to Operation Holiday.

"I received a (\$20) gift card from Operation Holiday and I am so very grateful. THANK YOU! I live at a Senior Residence in Andover, KS. Living on a fixed income gets very stressful sometimes. I so appreciate your kindness. - Blessings and Merry Christmas !!"

(Message sent to IFM through our website, IFMnet.org)

Our community assisted 14,244 people, including 6,594 children, through Operation Holiday this year. Those who were unable to participate in a holiday food program can go to the Inter-Faith Ministries Safe Haven shelter for a food box on Dec. 21, 22 & 23. By Friday morning 58 families -over 200 people- had received food.

Warmest Wishes for a Joyful Holiday Season and a Blessed New Year of Peace and Happiness from all of us at Inter-Faith Ministries.

Spread the Word

Free Breakfast

Free Breakfast at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 925 N Waco, this coming Saturday (Christmas Eve). For those in need.

Cooking Class for Residents

IFM is sponsoring a cooking class for residents of the Inter-Faith Villa apartments and those staying in our shelter. There are a few cooking utensils that are needed. If you can help, call Kat at IFM 264-9303.

Anne Corrison Joins Inter-Faith Ministries

The Board of Directors of Inter-Faith Ministries is pleased to announce Anne Corrison is named as the new Executive Director of Inter-Faith Ministries, effective December 1, 2011.

Anne brings to Inter-Faith Ministries a rich background in faith, community service, leadership, and organization. Rev. Cindy Watson, chair of the Search Committee, at a special meeting held on November 29 introduced Anne to the Board of Directors. At that meeting, the Board unanimously voted to name her as Executive Director.



A native of Wichita, Anne graduated magna cum laude from Wichita State University with a B.A. in Business Administration, major in Marketing. Anne served as Director of Community Relations for Workforce Alliance of South Central Kansas, Program Director with the John S. and James L. Knight Foundation Wichita office, Episcopal Social Services and Wichita Children's Home. She has participated in round table discussions with community organizations addressing jobs, poverty and hunger issues that included representatives of Inter-Faith Ministries, United Methodist Urban Ministries, Catholic Charities, and other organizations.

The Search Committee received 150 resumes for this position and after several months of review, the search narrowed to four candidates with outstanding qualities. The IFM Board feels that they have made an excellent choice and that Anne will lead Inter-Faith Ministries into an exciting future.



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