

#### **Volunteer News**

December 2023

#### Holiday Express Update



We are beyond delighted to announce that all families that signed up for the Holiday Express have been matched

with generous donors to provide them with gifts. This is the 4th year in a row that all families that signed up have been matched with a donor. We are so very grateful for the generosity of our donors, volunteers and supporters that help bring holiday cheer to our families each year. We couldn't do it without you!!

#### **Volunteers Needed!**

We are still in need of volunteers to help receive & organize gift packages on **December 15th**, as well as deliver gift **December 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup>**, 4:00 – 6:30 pm. If you are interested & available to help out, please contact Dylan at 651-846-9024 or **DMcDonough@SolidGroundMN.org**.

Many thanks to everyone for another year of bringing holiday cheer to the families at Solid Ground!

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### Something to be Thankful For

Many thanks to the White Bear Area Emergency Food Shelf, Matt Jonza State Farm, and individual volunteers that helped receive and distribute over 65 Thanksgiving meals to Solid Ground families last week!

On Monday, seven agents from Matt Jonza State Farm joined us for another year of delivering meals to 30 families at our East Metro Place facility (pictured). On Tuesday, 4 volunteers together drove over 100 miles to deliver meals to our scattered site families all throughout the metro.

Because of your support, 65+ families, who might not have otherwise been able to, were able to enjoy a family feast together. We are so thankful for you!

#### **Donation Needs**

Thank you to all the wonderful donors who provide the essential household items that allow our families to get settled in to their new homes! We heavily rely on donations from the community, and so if you have provided or are interested in providing essential items to support our families, please know that we greatly



appreciate your kindness. Our current most needed items are:

Wastebaskets (tall & short) | Broom & Dustpan Sets | Microwaves | Laundry Baskets | Vacuums | Mops | Bakeware | Knife Sets | Unopened Cleaning Supplies

If you would like to donate, please contact Dylan at <a href="mailto:DMcDonough@solidgroundmn.org">DMcDonough@solidgroundmn.org</a> or 651-846-9024. Thank you for your generous support!



# Volunteer Website Up & Running!

Be sure to check out our new Volunteer Website! Through this module, you'll be able to see what opportunities are available, view & update your volunteer information, or sign yourself up for an event.

Please note: first time users must <u>create a login password</u> to access their volunteer **Profile.** 



#### Join us for a Home At Last Tour

Visit us anytime - we welcome any size groups!

#### **RSVP HERE!**

Learn more about Solid Ground and our long history of providing safe, affordable housing and supportive services for families with children.

Join us for conversations with staff, a tour of our permanent supportive housing, and find out how you can engage in the work of preventing and ending homelessness.

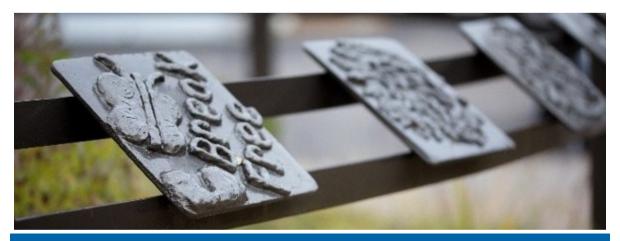
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