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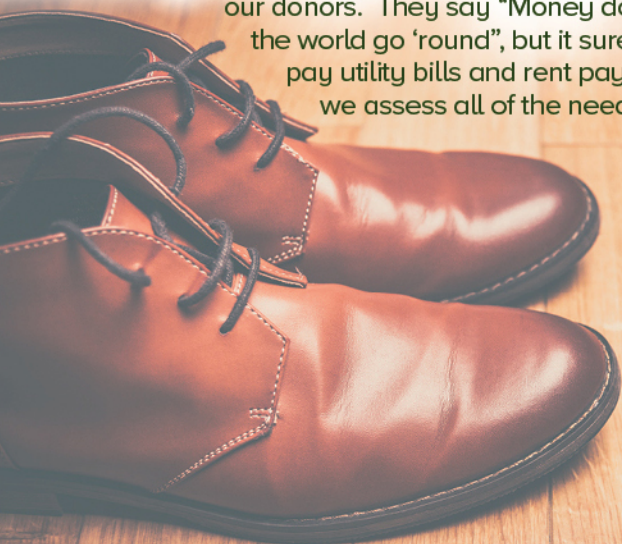
The Concept of Tom's Shoes!

In recent days I've been intrigued with the concept of how Tom's Shoes came into existence. Was it a business first that wanted to provide people with quality footwear at a reasonable price, or was it a nonprofit that was concerned about the condition of people around the world who were living without shoes?! From all outward appearances it seems as though they are providing a nice pair of shoes for a paying customer and then in turn donating a pair to someone in the world who would never be able to afford them. Basically, they are selling you a product at an above average cost so as to earn enough profit to ship a pair of shoes to someone in need. As you think about this, it's a win-win situation because you receive a product for your money AND get to help someone out at the same time. This brings a good feeling to the giver and receiver! I share this because I'd like you to consider the beginnings of Crossroads Ministry. We established an organization to love our neighbors in the Estes Valley through addressing the needs that were going unmet. In the early days we didn't know how the needs would be met, BUT we did have faith that there were enough resources available to make a difference in the lives of everyone who was struggling. Connecting Resources and Restoring Hope has been our theme song for over 37 years and we continue to see needs being met by resources given from ordinary people who care about the condition of their neighbors. More times than not the greatest resource needed is financial and this is where we have depended on the generosity of our donors. They say "Money doesn't make the world go 'round", but it sure does help pay utility bills and rent payments. As we assess all of the needs that come

in our doors each week, we are always grateful when we're able to say, "We're going to help you take care of this!" We have the privilege of saying this quite often because we've had enough money in the bank to write checks as a way of keeping the lights on for your neighbor and mine. I'm sure we could just ask you for donations to help us take care of our neighbors, and we will continue to do this, but we'd like to offer you something in return if possible. It's not exactly like Tom's Shoes, but it is similar in nature. For instance, when you purchase a pancake breakfast on Independence Day, you are investing in the work we're doing to support families with children. When you purchase items at the Spring Sale, you are adding money to our bank account that we draw on to pay for a neighbor's gas bill. The Benefit Concert provides you with wonderful entertainment and your willingness to donate a ticket cost for the show goes to help us purchase more groceries to feed the hungry. And then, our biggest event is the Vintage fundraiser where people purchase a \$100 raffle ticket in exchange for the chance to win a \$6,000 travel voucher AND it gets you in the door of the Dunraven Inn where you can eat and drink as much of their delicious food and wine that you desire. There is also a live auction that provides you exceptionally valuable products to bid on and all proceeds go toward the services we provide neighbors in need throughout the year. We're in the People business and that means we do whatever we can to raise money to take care of our neighbors. I hope you decide to invest in the good work we're doing. People are depending on us and we don't want to let them down. I am confident you will receive more than you bargained for when you team up with Crossroads.



Brian Schaffer
BRIAN SCHAFFER
Executive Director



Being Grateful

Thanksgiving Blessing is our annual food distribution that helps individuals and families celebrate the season of thanksgiving. We are accepting food and cash donations from now until November 20th. Consider donating **\$40** to bless a family with enough groceries for a nice dinner together!



BENEFIT CONCERT FOR CROSSROADS

In the olden days people used to sing for their dinner. With this concert, there will be outstanding vocalists singing for someone else's dinner. This concert is organized by Bob Gunn and hosted at Presbyterian Community Church of the Rockies on Saturday, October 12, at 2:00pm. All of the performers are volunteering their talents to make the concert a marvelous afternoon of soaring melodies and memorable performances. All donations received from this concert will be invested in our neighbors who need a little help getting back up on their feet.



Vintage 2019

Once again, The Dunraven Inn invites you to a unique benefit for Crossroads Ministry of Estes Park.

Vintage 2019 will be held on **Sunday, October 27th, 4pm-7pm**

Enjoy an evening of food, wine tasting, music, and a lively auction of fabulous items. Your ticket purchase of \$100 enters you in a chance to win a travel voucher to any destination of your choice valued at \$6,000 through Columbine Travel Agency! You need not be present to win. All proceeds will benefit the ministries of Crossroads.

TICKETS MAY BE PURCHASED AT THE

Dunraven Inn 2470 Colorado 66, Estes Park
or by calling Brian at Crossroads (970-577-0610)

Our Mission

to practice Christian love by providing basic human services to Estes Valley residents in need

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ESTES VALLEY MEALS ON WHEELS

A Service of Crossroads Ministry of Estes Park, Inc.

MEALS ON WHEELS

is rolling along at high speed thanks to a healthy donation from The Salvation Army that helps us subsidize a portion of the meal costs for our neighbors.



Lives are being Transformed through Neighbor helping Neighbor!

HERE'S WHAT PEOPLE ARE SAYING:

"I'm calling to let you know that I will not be able to make my appointment with the case manager because I am starting my new job today!"

"I'm on a fixed income and I couldn't eat as well as I do if it wasn't for your food pantry."

"I grew up with very little and now I want to give back to help those who were like me."

Lives Transformed

So Grateful

TO OUR MAJOR GRANT FUNDERS

- Board of Realtors
- Bank of Estes Park
- Village Thrift Shop
- The Salvation Army
- Sunrise Rotary
- Community Foundation of Northern Colorado
- Town of Estes Park
- Energy Outreach Colorado

What Your DOLLARS Can Do!



2019 Annual Campaign

LEGACY LIVING

involves passing forward resources to sustain the work of Crossroads Ministry for the next generation.

\$50



can provide transportation costs for a Dad to get back and forth to his job

\$100



can provide groceries for two weeks to feed a young family with children

\$300



can provide 60 nutritious meals to participants of our Meals on Wheels program

\$750



can provide rent and utility assistance to ensure our neighbors stay housed



DONATE ONLINE
CrossroadsEP.org/give



CHECK to Crossroads Ministry with completed form below



MONTHLY GIFT
Set up at CrossroadsEP.org/give

Our Partner Churches

Our supportive backbone to the compassionate body of people who serve in every aspect of what we do. Together we are making a difference!

- Christian Church of Estes Park
- Estes Park Baptist Church
- Mountain View Bible Fellowship
- Summit Church
- Our Lady of the Mountains Catholic Church
- Park Fellowship Church
- Allenspark Community Church
- Rocky Mountain Church
- Shepherd of the Mountains Lutheran Church
- St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church
- Presbyterian Community Church of the Rockies
- United Methodist Church of Estes Park
- Estes Park Seventh Day Adventist



Longs Peak – \$10,000
Arrowhead – \$5,000
Flattop – \$2,500
Notchtop – \$1,000
and more!

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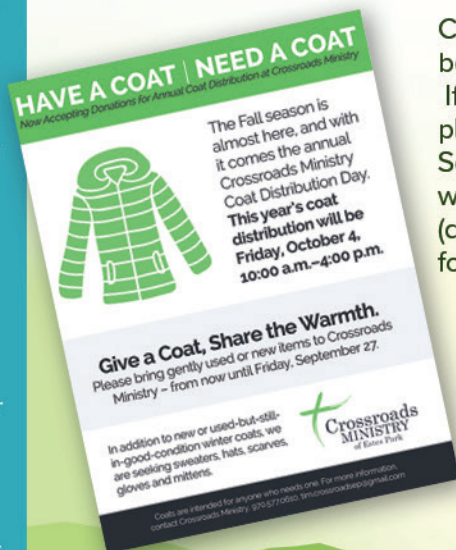
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Give a COAT! Share the Warmth!

Now accepting donations



Crossroad's Annual Coat Distribution will be held **Friday, October 4, 10am-4pm.**

If you have new or gently used items to donate, please bring them to Crossroads Ministry before Friday, September 27. Besides coats, Crossroads is accepting warm scarves, winter hats, mittens, gloves, and sweaters (all in good to excellent condition). Thank you in advance for your generous donation!

Luke 6:38 NLT

"Give, and you will receive. Your gift will return to you in full—pressed down, shaken together to make room for more, running over, and poured into your lap. The amount you give will determine the amount you get back."

Keep Updated! Check our website!



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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

High Peak Camp Scholarships

10 kids from Crossroads were given scholarships through The Salvation Army to attend High Peak Camp in July. Over 120 backpacks with school supplies were prepared and are being distributed to students of all ages through a partnership with Bright Christmas.



"There are many churches ready to help anyone seeking spiritual support and direction, but for physical needs, as I heard Brian Schaffer say, "No one in the Estes Valley ever needs to go hungry—we've got them covered, with no strings attached." What a powerful statement! We support Crossroads simply because it gives us the opportunity to tie into, and to be a part of, a very efficient and effective way to help "be the hands and feet of Jesus" for those who need help."

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Online donations at www.CrossroadsEP.org