

St. Clare's Ministries

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Front Range Executive Committee
Attn. Regional Missioner Balfour Patterson

Report regarding Front Range Region 2022 Grant to St. Clare's Ministries:

The homeless population in metro Denver is growing. St. Clare's Ministries serves the men and women that are homeless in the Baker neighborhood of Denver. St. Clare's Ministries continued to serve our hot meals and handing out clothing every Tuesday outside the Episcopal Church of St. Peter and St. Mary for the first three months of the 2022 due to Covid-19. We did not miss a Tuesday meal during Covid-19's two-year run. We moved our operations back inside the church hall in April and have been there ever since. St. Clare's is using open windows, air purifiers and fans to circular the air in the dining hall, kitchen, and basement to allow the ministry to operate indoors. St. Clare's Ministries would like to thank the Front Range Region for the \$6,000 grant for 2022 that has allowed St. Clare's Ministries operations to break even. Ninety-two percent of every dollar granted goes towards our three program areas: meal service, clothing closet and church service (on hiatus due to Covid). The grant from the Front Range Region was used to cover the cost of the meals and to augment the clothing donations with additional clothing, toiletries, etc. for the clothing closet. Five Front Range Region churches volunteer once a month at St. Clare's Ministries to cook or serve the meals and man the clothing closet. This year through July, 2,382 meals have been served to the homeless men and women by 364 volunteers in 1,120 volunteer hours. Since 2012, St. Clare's has served over 70,800 meals to the homeless and working poor of the Baker neighborhood. Since 2017, St. Clare's has given out 984 sleeping bags and 1,284 blankets in addition to all the jeans, shoes, shirts, sweatshirts, coats, hats, gloves, socks, underwear, and toiletries from our clothes closet to the homeless men and women. St. Clare's Ministries adopted the Policy for the Protection of Vulnerable Adults and Policy for the Protection of Children and Youth in 2022. St. Clare's is in desperate need of used clothing donations for the clothing closet. We need clean gently used men's and women's clothes, jeans, sweatshirts, shoes, coats, hats, towels, blankets and sleeping bags. We are open to receive donations of clothing etc. on Tuesday's afternoons from 3 PM to 6:30 PM. Attached are two photographs of our facility before our quests arrive. Thank you again for all you do for St. Clare's Ministries.

Blessings,

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