



The Voice

Thank you, Kathy and Jamesetta!

Sharing Place Coordinator Kathy Dalla Costa and Sharing Place Assistant Jamesetta Quiqui have both found new opportunities in the community. We are so grateful for all they have done for LCFS and wish them the best as they pursue new roles.

Kathy was a fantastic addition to the LCFS team, and we will miss her dearly. The work she did with volunteers and staff consistently went above and beyond expectations. If you are a volunteer, you might still get the chance to see her around at the pantry as she plans to continue volunteering occasionally.

Jamesetta, who first began working with us a sophomore intern from IUPUI, has helped us in many ways. In addition to her work as the Program Assistant at the Sharing Place, Jamesetta had been coordinating TEDD (The Emergency Diaper Dispensary) program. Her contributions will be greatly missed.

Jamesetta and Kathy helped LCFS keep The Sharing Place operational without any interruptions during the many challenges we experienced due to the COVID-19 pandemic. LCFS staff and volunteers alike appreciated working with them; they will be missed tremendously.

From all of us at LCFS - We wish them the best in their future endeavors!

Thank You



Stay tuned for LCFS programming updates in the coming months!

Where has Sven been this Summer?

Sven has been remarkably busy this summer visiting our supporters.

In June, he attended a very nice lunch program about the Little 500 program! The first race was held in 1951 under the leadership of Howard "Howdy" Wilcox. David Blasé, a longtime member of Pilgrim, competed in the race in 1962 and moderated the conversation. Two members (Eli Konow and Will Pitts) of Pilgrim Lutheran Church came in 1st and 2nd this year and they spoke about their race experiences. Congratulations to both of you on your success!

Sven has also attended many community meetings ranging from a Citizen 7 meeting with Former Speaker of the Indiana House of Representatives, Brian Bosma to the Global Leadership Summit.

Some of the churches Sven visited include Cross of Grace, St. Paul Lutheran Church, Lord of Life Lutheran Church, Servants of Christ, and more! On top of that, Sven even had some artwork showcased at this year's Indiana State Fair and attended a Mexican culinary event!

We are all keeping busy at LCFS and have even more activities and events coming up this fall, including Sven's annual Walk to support The Sharing Place. Stay tuned for more details!



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LCFS Welcomes a New Staff Member!

We have a new staff member to introduce! LCFS welcomes Paola Palami to the team as our Youth Enrichment Program Coordinator. She will be developing and implementing programming for an after-school program at IPS 88 through the Inspiring Indianapolis Youth initiative of the INSPIRE program.

Paola will also be supervising the apprentices who are participating in the Modern Apprenticeship Program. The apprentices and Paola will be working together to establish an educational and exciting after-school program that will help LCFS better serve the clients enrolled in INSPIRE program with a strong focus on the youth in these families.

“I have always wanted to help youth and their families find the resources they need to succeed, and it is a perk that I get to work somewhere that my Spanish skills come in handy.”



Paola graduated from IU-Bloomington in May of 2022. She was born in Mexico and moved to the U.S. when she was 5 years old. She is most excited that she gets to do what she has always wanted to do. Welcome, Paola!

We've Started an Apprenticeship Program!

This summer we've initiated a new apprenticeship program through the Inspiring Indianapolis Youth initiative of our INSPIRE program.

This expansion of our programming has given us several high school juniors who will work at LCFS gaining real-world experience in the non-profit field. They will stay with us for their junior and senior of high school along with their first year of college.

Welcome to the team!

Welcome



Thank you, Volunteers!

We thoroughly appreciate all of our volunteers. You all go above and beyond for us, and we can't thank you enough!

September is volunteer appreciation month, and to show our appreciation we hosted our annual Fight Against Hunger Volunteer Luncheon on September 23rd at Lawrence Community Park. Thanks to all our sponsors and to all those who attended. In our next VOICE, we will be sharing photos from the event.

Speaking of volunteers, The Sharing Place is currently in need of some volunteers during our restock days (Wednesdays and Fridays). Those shifts would be 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. on Wednesdays and 9:30 a.m. - 12 p.m. on Fridays. These shifts are vital for the pantry as they allow us to keep it stocked and ready for those working during our hours of operation. You can sign up to volunteer on our volunteer portal: <https://lutheranfamily.galaxydigital.com/>

Scan here to volunteer!



If you have any questions about volunteering at The Sharing Place, please contact us at SharingPlace@lutheranfamily.org.

Volunteers are the foundation of our organization; with your help we are able to continue serving an increasing number of youth and families in our community through our various programs. Thank you, volunteers! You truly are making a difference in our community.



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