



Partner Church Covenant

The mission of Love INC of Yellowstone County is to mobilize the Church to transform lives and our community in the name of Christ. Love INC depends on the involvement of local churches and its members to accomplish that mission and to reach out to meet the physical, social, emotional, and spiritual needs of our community.

The relationship between a partner church and Love INC of Yellowstone County is the cornerstone of Love INC's success. As outlined below, the two organizations agree to form a partnership in the hope that together we can transform lives in our churches and our local community in the name of Christ.

What Love INC of Yellowstone County will do for your church and our community:

- Provide a gateway to link people with a need in our community to members of the church body who have the ability to meet that need.
- Maintain a Clearinghouse to provide a coordinated environment for your church body to serve in their local community and to screen and analyze requests for help.
- Work in collaboration with local agencies and resources that are meeting the needs of our community, being careful not to duplicate those services.
- Enhance the existing relationship your church has with our community by sending out members of your congregation to serve.
- Be good stewards of the money, time, and resources that your church chooses to use to meet needs in our community.
- Transform the lives of your church members by providing ministry opportunities for them to live out the calling of God to serve others.
- Transform the lives of people in our community by connecting them with people in the body of Christ who have a heart for whatever situation they may be in.

What a partner church commits to:

- Pray regularly for the ministry of Love INC.
- Provide Love INC with a contact for your church, such as a church ministry coordinator or someone who has a heart for our community, who would be willing to be the liaison between your congregation and the Love INC Clearinghouse.
- Introduce Love INC to your congregation. This could be as simple as showing a short video and giving a Love INC representative a few minutes to share our vision and a call to action.
- Provide financial support to help cover ongoing operations at a level that is deemed appropriate by your church leadership.
- Dedicate one Sunday per year to promoting Love INC, in addition to promotion through occasional newsletters, bulletins, etc.
- Encourage members to support Love INC by volunteering and praying for the organization, enrolling to serve in the community, and donating time and resources.
- Encourage unity in Christ by agreeing to work in a cooperative manner with the other churches in our community in a manner that brings glory to God.
- Affirm the traditional statement of faith of the Christian Church, the Apostles' Creed.

Church Name: _____

Church Address: _____

Signature: _____ Date _____
(Church Official or Pastor)

Signature: _____ Date _____
(Love INC Executive Director)