



**MOBILE  
LOAVES**  
TWIN CITIES

*We provide food, clothing and dignity  
to our sisters and brothers in need*

## Greetings

**RON JOKI,  
FOOD SERVICES COORDINATOR**

Thanks to Mobile Loaves Twin Cities volunteers who serve those in need in our Twin Cities community. Because of Covid, the number of volunteers has significantly decreased. Even though the need of those we serve has grown, we have been able to serve about 2800 meals a month down from 3500 last year. Since April 2020, rather than delivery by our truck volunteers, we have individuals deliver pre-wrapped sandwiches and other foods in their own vehicles to the sites. Pre-packaged foods are far more expensive but with your generous donations, we have been able to purchase individually wrapped sandwiches of beef, chicken and peanut-butter & jelly. Fresh fruit, cookies, chips, etc. are also included with the meal. The sandwich products are purchased primarily from Costco and Performance Foods. Kowalski's Market provides fresh bananas and Performance Foods great oranges at a reduced price.

We continue to carry out our mission...with an amazing team of which you are a key part.

## Those we serve

**JANET THOMAS, SITE COORDINATOR**



Pre-Covid, we sent our truck to 22 sites with a truck team of five persons. The sites were all around the Twin Cities area. Sometimes a site was a parking lot where our homeless neighbors were gathered. Covid changed that and now we visit 14 sites. Let's hope we can increase sites soon. Before we served people individually; now we deliver large boxes of bagged meals to the door and the sites take over. While this is efficient, we have pretty much lost face-to-face contact with those we serve. Visiting with them was a way to provide dignity. Those we served could see someone really cared.

Our 2800 monthly meals are provided to people at the following sites. About 800 meals each month go to people at Salvation Army

Citadel Food Shelf in St. Paul. Listening House is a day shelter for the homeless. We are there twice a week. Also twice weekly we visit Freedom House, a homeless shelter and Nicollet Square, an apartment for former homeless. Low income senior apartments include St. Anne's Senior Living, Richfield Tower, South Haven Apts, and Bii Di Gain Dash Anwebi. Hospitality House is a youth development center and Northside Child Development Center is an affordable daycare center. Creation Baptist Church is a neighborhood food shelf and Yorkdale provides affordable housing. Safe Place in St. Paul is an overnight shelter from 9 p.m. to 9 a.m. We deliver there three times a week and our service is so appreciated. Our meal is likely the best one these beautiful people have all day; or longer.

A client at Freedom House was overheard saying, **"Oh boy the sandwiches are here. I am so hungry!"** The directors at the sites we serve tell us they know how much our meals are appreciated. We can't wait until we are back with people and sharing in person.

# Our mission is to provide food, clothing and dignity....

## We provide food...

- The cost of our meals has skyrocketed because of Covid. Food must be bought prepackaged.
- Our costs have increased 40% from \$1.80 to \$3.15 a meal although we are into cost containment to reduce that cost.
- We had estimated we would serve over 42,000 meals in 2020 and more in 2021. But because of Covid we have cut back on that number and are currently serving 34,000 meals. We must increase that this summer as the need continues to grow with people back to living in the parks.

## We provide clothing and hygiene products...

- Bomba's Socks is a lifesaver every year. 4500 pairs of beautiful socks are coming this fall.
- Thousands of warm hats, gloves, scarves.
- 10,000 small bars of soap have been donated this year.
- Thousands of small tubes of toothpaste; 3000 toothbrushes; 3000 shampoos and lotions.

## We provide dignity...

- During COVID, we have sadly lost the direct contact with those we serve which is where we pro-

vide the service of dignity. Showing them we care; that they are respected; that they are important members of the community.

## YOU CAN HELP....

We need summer socks, toothpaste, toothbrushes, shampoo, etc.

Drop these items off at St. Joan of Arc office  
4537-3rd Avenue South, Minneapolis 55419

## Your donations show you understand... that you care

**“Our primary purpose in life is to help others. If you can't help them at least do not hurt them.”**

— Dali Lama XIV

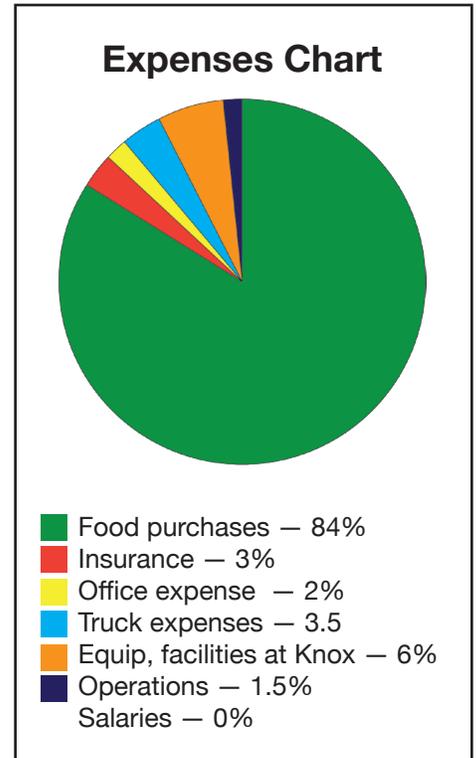
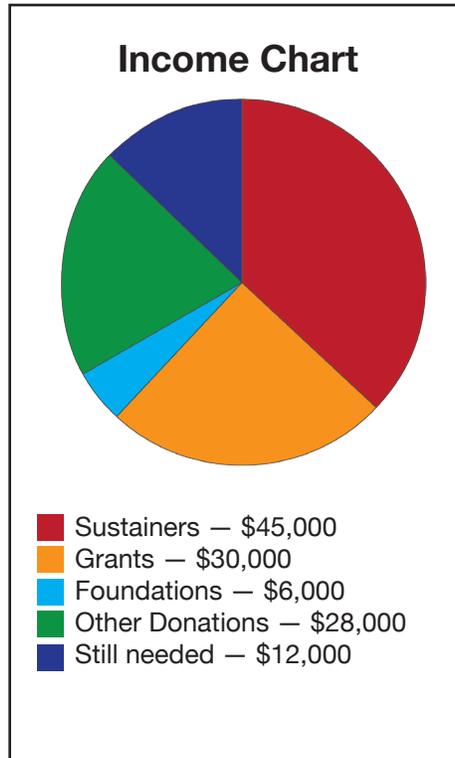
As we are a 501 (c) (3) tax exempt organization your donations are tax deductible from state and federal

taxes to the extent provided by law. If you are over 70½ you are able to transfer a portion of your “Required Minimum Withdrawal” from your IRA or 401-k to Mobile Loaves without paying taxes on that withdrawal amount. Call Patrick Geraghty at 612-823-6591. Or to donate, go to our website at [www.mobileloavestc.org](http://www.mobileloavestc.org)

# Because of COVID, our costs have skyrocketed

In January we needed an additional \$20,000. Thank you for your donations since then of \$8,000. We still need \$12,000 for 2021.

For ways to donate go to page 4.



## Might you please help meet our “Still needed” goal of \$12,000 for 2021 in one of the following ways?

### **Become a Mobile Loaves Twin Cities Sustainer...**

MLTC has an objective of having a group of 50 individuals, families or teams donate \$50 per month on an ongoing basis. We currently have 35 people. Some donate more than \$50 a month. Might you join our Sustainer group? Perhaps your family could become a “family sustainer” or “truck team sustainer.” See our website at [www.mobile-loavestc.org](http://www.mobile-loavestc.org)

### **Donate any amount...**

Of course any amount is so appreciated. Perhaps you can make a

recurring donation of a specified amount each month. Any amount. Go to our website or send a check to us at:

Mobile Loaves Twin Cities  
4537-3rd Avenue South,  
Minneapolis 55419

### **Add *Mobile Loaves Twin Cities* as a beneficiary to your will....**

A wonderful way to leave a legacy is to remember MLTC in your Last Will and Testament. It's simple to do. Our EIN is: 81-3996189. Our address is: 4537-3rd Avenue South; Minneapolis, MN 55419

### **Make a gift to Mobile Loaves to remember someone...**

What a great way to remember a friend or loved one who has passed away. Or a joyous occasion like a birthday, anniversary or special occasion. Maybe a Christmas, Hanukkah or Ramadan gift to someone who already has everything. Or just because!

*Mobile Loaves Twin Cities* is not affiliated with any religion. We are in service to all in need...while we serve the God of many names.



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