



2023 SCABB Annual Meeting & Exhibit Show COMMUNITY PROJECT

Each year in conjunction with the Annual Meeting, South Central Association of Blood Banks hosts a community project to serve the area where the annual meeting takes place.



**Sacred
Heart
House
of Denver**

For 2023, the Sacred Heart House of Denver was selected as the recipient of the SCABB Community Project Efforts.

Over the past four decades, the programs at Sacred Heart House of Denver have become focused on meeting the needs of Denver's most vulnerable population: Single mothers with children and single women experiencing homelessness.

Let's work together to make a significant impact on the lives of those served at Sacred Heart House of Denver this year!

HOW TO HELP: You can help those that the Sacred Heart House of Denver serves in several ways.

1. Donate Wish List items that are provided to the residents of Sacred Heart House.

- a. [CLICK HERE](#) to order directly from our Amazon Wish List and have items shipped to the hotel where they will be sorted and packed during the 2023 SCABB Community Project, then delivered to Sacred Heart House of Denver.
- b. Review Wish List items listed below. Purchase and pack the extra items in your suitcase to bring with you when traveling to attend the Annual Meeting or AIMS in Denver.

2. Help us sort and assemble packages to be delivered to the Sacred Heart House of Denver.

Join us (*if attending AIMS or SCABB Annual Meeting in person*) on Tuesday, June 6 at 6:30 PM to kick off the 2023 SCABB Annual Meeting Community Project. We'll start to sort and assemble packages to be delivered to Sacred Heart House. This will continue throughout the SCABB Annual Meeting.

3. Make a donation.

[CLICK HERE](#) to make a cash donation, in any amount, and your donation will be used to purchase items on the "wish list" and given to Sacred Heart House. ***Be sure to indicate on donation form that you would like the donation used for the '2023 SCABB Community Project'.***

4. Women's clothing donation.

If you have a women's suit, dress, or suitable job interview attire that you would like to donate to the residents of Sacred Heart House, include those in your packing and drop off at registration for the SCABB Annual Meeting in Denver.

Sacred Heart House of Denver: Wish Lists

ITEMS NEEDED FOR FOOD BOXES

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| Canned vegetables | Boxed meals (tuna helper, chicken helper, rice meals) | Oatmeal |
| Canned fruit | Macaroni and cheese | Soup |
| Canned meat (chicken, tuna, etc.) | Peanut Butter | Snacks (chips, breakfast bars, etc.) |
| Spaghetti sauce | Jelly | Dessert |
| Spaghetti noodles | Cereal | |

ITEMS NEEDED FOR HYGEINE KITS

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| Full size shampoo and conditioner | Deodorant | Hand Sanitizer |
| Body wash | Chapstick | Disinfectant |
| Bar soap | Sunscreen | Toilet Paper |
| Liquid hand soap | Toothpaste | |
| | Toothbrush | |

CLEANING SUPPLIES NEEDED

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| Clorox | Multi-Purpose cleaner (99.9% virus/bacteria killer) | Dish Soap |
| Laundry Detergent | Shower cleaner | Sponges |
| | | Toilet bowl cleaner |
| | | Buckets |

About Sacred Heart House of Denver:

Sacred Heart House of Denver helping homeless families and single women, was founded by Catherine Bevanda in 1980 after she learned the convent next to Sacred Heart School in lower downtown Denver had closed. Catherine, who came to Denver to study at Loretto Heights, supported herself by working at an orphanage and at Marycrest Convent, which was operating a skeletal homeless shelter at the time. Thinking she could expand on that idea in the abandoned convent, she opened its doors to those people in Denver, who, for one reason or another, found themselves homeless.

In 1982, Susanna Kennedy of the Sisters of Charity of Leavenworth from nearby Annunciation Parish became director. Under her guidance, the mission to serve those who wanted to become self-sufficient developed. Within a short period of time, this self-sufficiency program gained attention, respect, and financial support from the Denver community. In April 1991, Sacred Heart House of Denver was incorporated in Colorado as a non-profit organization for charitable and educational purposes.

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Today a Continuum of Services provided through the In-House Stabilization, Follow-Up and Transitional Housing Programs enables them to move to stable housing and achieve and maintain self-sufficiency.