

Hopeful Horizons

Cross-Lines Community Outreach Monthly Update



May 2024

Hello Susila,

As spring blossoms around us, it's time to embrace the spirit of renewal and community. We're thrilled to kick off this month's update with an invitation to our much-anticipated **Legacy Breakfast on May 22nd!** ? Mark your calendars, because this is a morning you won't want to miss. Join us for a delightful gathering as we celebrate our shared commitment to making a difference.

***Tickets are available NOW.** so secure your spot and let's make memories together!*

But that's not all—our community spirit is soaring higher as we embark on another heartfelt mission. Throughout May, our Market is uniting to collect rice and beans (canned or dry), spreading kindness and support to those who need it most. Every donation counts, and together, we can make a meaningful impact on the lives of others.

So, friends, let's step into May with open hearts, boundless enthusiasm, and a determination to spread hope in every corner of our community. Stay tuned for more updates, more opportunities to make a difference, and more reasons to smile.

Together, we're creating a world filled with kindness, compassion, and endless possibilities.

Kindly,
Kelly and the Cross-Lines Team

Do you have suggestions for what you'd like to see in this monthly email? Share your ideas!

Contact Kelly Gough Moran: kelly@cross-lines.org.

I'd love to hear from you!

March Service Numbers



Centurions and their families
in the Market



Market Visits: 1,502
Individuals served: 3,902



Meals served: 4,168



Bills Paid: \$12,048

Outreach Contacts: 76

People Housed: 1



Volunteer Hours: 1,311

May Volunteer Spotlight

Auntrinee Carver

Synchrony Bank



(We interviewed Auntrinee in February during Black History Month)

Q. How long have you been volunteering at Cross-Lines?

A. About eight years

Q. What do you love most about volunteering at Cross-Lines?

A. Giving back to my community and seeing the smiling faces of the staff and residents of WYCO!

Q. Where can we usually find you volunteering?

A. The Kitchen or Community Market.

Q. Do you have a black history role model or figure that inspires or motivates you? Why?

A. Maya Angelou. I love her storytelling and ability to overcome adversity. One of her quotes that I like is "Words mean more than what is set down on paper. It takes the human voice to infuse them with deeper meaning."

Q. Favorite Black-owned restaurant in KC?

A. Gates BBQ!

Thank you, Auntrinee! We appreciate YOU!

If you are interested in volunteering, please reach out to Manager of Community Engagement, Kitana Lemus (Kitana@cross-lines.org) or visit <https://www.cross-lines.org/how-to-help/volunteer.html>

Join us for the Legacy Breakfast! Get Your Tickets NOW!



Legacy Breakfast

Wednesday, May 22nd

We are excited to return to **The Vox Theater** for the second annual Cross-Lines Legacy Breakfast!

Join us on Wednesday, May 22nd, at 8am!

We will gather to share a delicious meal and honor the outstanding legacy of Cross-Lines, our supporters, volunteers, and community partners.

We hope to see you there!

Tickets on sale NOW!
Sponsorships are available.

**Get Tickets to The
Breakfast**

Cheers to Volunteers!



What a night to remember at Cheers to Volunteers! ?

With hearts full of gratitude and plates piled high with delicious tacos from our vibrant taco bar, attendees savored every moment of camaraderie and celebration. Amidst laughter and cheers, fueled by refreshing Boulevard beers and beverages, our volunteers engaged in spirited rounds of Bingo, vying for incredible prizes and creating memories that will last a lifetime. It was a joyous occasion, a testament to the incredible spirit of generosity and community that thrives within our Cross-Lines family.

Here's to our amazing volunteers—you truly make our world a brighter place!

May Market Support

To support the Market, we are collecting rice and beans this month!

We pride ourselves on carrying culturally applicable foods to meet the needs of our shoppers. Beans and rice prove exceptionally popular, and it is a challenge to keep them stocked!

We invite you to bring in your donation of rice and/or beans (canned or dry) to spread the love and compassion each and every person deserves!

Stop by The Market any time in May to drop off your contribution.

Want to collect a larger amount at work or school? Let us know, and we can supply a bin (while supplies last) for your group's efforts.

RICE AND BEANS



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Coffee

WITH CROSS-LINES

Join us for a coffee chat!

This informal gathering offers a unique opportunity to connect with our community, delve into our mission, and engage in meaningful conversations about the issues that matter most to our neighbors, partners, and those we serve.

Let's gather together over a cup of coffee to discuss our work, share insights, and explore ways to create positive change.

Your input and perspectives are invaluable in shaping the future of our collective efforts.

We look forward to seeing you there!

Location	Save the Date	Details
Cross-Lines Community Market Volunteer Room	First Wednesdays: June 5th July 3rd Aug 7th 7:45-8:45am	Discussion topics will include: homelessness, CL's work, and future plans

RSVP to our first Coffee with Cross-Lines!

Save the Date

Gala for Hope 2024
Friday, September 27th, 2024

Clear your calendar for the last Friday in September because we will be seeing YOU at The View at Briarcliff once again this year for our annual Gala For Hope!

We can't wait to host an evening of fun, gratitude, and support! There will be an amazing catered dinner, open bar, silent and live auctions, and inspiring stories of Cross-Lines' impact on our community.

We hope to see you there for a beautiful evening of supporting Cross-Lines and making a BIG difference. Make sure you bring your dancing shoes!

Sponsorships available NOW! Contact kelly@cross-lines.org for more information!



Learn more about Gala for Hope



Cross-Lines Values and Guiding Principles

Empowerment: We empower individuals and families to take control of their futures through dedication to life skills and navigation of resource access.

Learn more here: <https://www.cross-lines.org/who-we-are/our-values-and-principles.html>

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