

Sharing Connections

“Lord, ... When did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you?... Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me.”

Matthew 25: 38,40

(New American Bible)

Sts. Peter and Paul’s Transitional Housing Ministry has “grown up” with Sharing Connections. The first guest in our THM program was expecting a child when she entered the program. When the volunteers from THM went in search of a crib for the new baby, they were put in contact with Leeanne McGrath who at the time was collecting used cribs in her garage to distribute to needy families. While distributing cribs from her garage, Leeanne recognized that the families she was serving were in great need of other furniture, and household and personal items. As the ministry grew to meet these needs, Sharing Connections was born. The ministry outgrew the garage and eventually moved into a warehouse to meet the needs of their many clients. Over the years many of our THM guests who complete our program have been able to furnish their apartments with the help of Sharing Connections. Also THM has been able to help Sharing Connections by having people take donations which aren’t immediately needed by a THM family to Sharing Connections. This ministry, which is located in Downers Grove just west of Belmont, needs volunteers.

Volunteer opportunities include: Individuals to take in, sort and put away donations, office help with data entry and/or mailings, client care positions for those who would like to work directly with the clients, movers and truck crew to move furniture and pick-up donated items and individuals to help with fundraisers throughout the year.

To volunteer or learn what donated items are accepted by Sharing Connections go to www.sharingconnections.org or call (630) 971-0565.