

## Street Outreach Services

Community Compassion Outreach, since January 2017, has assisted individuals and families to survive and to exit homelessness & poverty. We have expanded our street outreach services with various programs that continue to serve people who are unhoused. The following services are available to everyone who lacks basic needs. Feel free to contact 'Donna Mae' Baukat when you need our assistance.

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1. **Vulnerability Index Service Prioritization Decision Assistance Tool (VI-SPDAT)** – An assessment of the unhoused for affordable housing is based upon a person's acuity – *this does not guarantee housing*. People experiencing homelessness in La Plata County may contact CCO's Executive Director to complete the VI-SPDAT assessment by appointment only.
2. **Client Services w/Donna Mae at Manna Soup Kitchen** – Mondays and Fridays, 9:30am to 12:00pm. Drop-Ins are welcomed on first served basis (*limited supply of bus tokens; food-box applications; assistance for ID documentation; proof of residency; VI-SPDAT assessment; United Methodist Thrift Store vouchers; and, other services*).
3. **Coffee & Conversations w/Homeless & Food Insecure** – Picnic food sharing at Durango Schneider Park starts 12:30pm to 2:30pm every Saturday (except during heavy snowfall).
4. **Purple Cliffs Encampment** – Sack lunches will be picked up from Manna and delivered to the Purple Cliffs Encampment on **Wednesdays between 10:30am ~ 11:00am**. (bottled water as needed).
5. **Local Transportation** – Southwest Center for Independence & Axis Health Integrated provides transportation to medical appointments. Call CCO for availability of volunteer chauffeur (medical appointments only).
6. **Client Services & ID Assistance** – If you lost your identification documents, we may assist you in getting copies to replace your birth certificate, drivers license, Social Security card, photo IDs and etcetera:
  - a. Manna Soup Kitchen provides client services on Tuesdays & Thursdays (8:30am to 11:30am) and on Wednesdays (4:30pm to 5:30pm); and,
  - b. CCO/Donna Mae Baukat provides client services at Manna on Mondays & Fridays (9:30am to 12:00pm).
7. **Critical Supply Bank** – CCO provides supplies (sleeping bags, tents, clothing, tarps, and other survival needs) whenever funding & inventory is available. If we have no supplies or funds to purchase items, we will notify other sources for your needs. CCO collaborates with Manna and Adventure Christian Church. (*NOTE: La Plata Humane Society Thrift Store vouchers are discontinued*).
8. **Volunteer Professionals Advocacy Service (VPAS)** – Retired mental health professionals (JW Ragsdale and Tammy Hoier) collaborate with staff of Manna Soup Kitchen. Since mid-January 2019, our team of professional volunteers have met one-on-one with the unhoused during Manna's meals. This service is available to individuals experiencing homelessness to improve connections to resources. Contact us for further information.
9. **The Family Unification w/Housing** is a new CCO program in development to connect youth ages 15-to-24 to safe, affordable housing during their transition to independence. A collaboration with other youth services offers additional resources to kids aging out of foster care, runaways, survivors of domestic violence, and unaccompanied youth in Durango and La Plata County.
10. **Day Work Program** – CCO collaborates with Solutions™ for ADay'sWork™ labor force requirements. Sign up for day work and get paid above minimum wages with job skills training, references for employment, daily meal, and more.
11. **Community Approaches to Diversity is a Native American Initiative in development** Ms. Imo Succo (in her senior year at the Graduate School of Social Work, UD Durango) has great insight into the nuance of communications with Native Americans. Ms. Succo is passionate for this program, to improve connections between service providers and homeless indigenous people from various Tribal Nations. CCO collaborates with Manna's Executive Director Ann Morse, Mercy/CenturaHealth LINK Program Coordinator Elsa Inman, and Southwest Center for Independence Gordon South. We welcome all interested organizations, individuals and groups to this new program.