



Love INC of Metro Tampa
Love In the Name of Christ

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MISSION: *Love INC high impact outcomes help Tampa and Love INC US affiliates flourish!*

Message from our Executive Director / Ann M. Doyle:

The theme of Love INC National’s Annual Gathering August 14-16th in Chaska Minnesota is **CULTIVATE** Courage / Compassion / Connection. Five of our Tampa staff are blessed to be attending and three of us are presenting ten hours of affiliate training over two days. We will share our best practices for *Media, Messaging, Story Telling and Fundraising*. The talent and resources He has provisioned for our two-year-old Tampa affiliate have caught the attention of our National Love INC leadership.



Ann M. Doyle

The values of our 43-year-old Love INC National Movement, with 134 US and African affiliates, include unity and support amongst our affiliate network. Love INC of Metro Tampa also focuses on regular, in-person networking and support for our five Florida affiliates. After visiting Love INCs in Brevard, Collier County, and The Villages (Love INC Heart of Florida), we are helping organize quarterly, day-long, affiliate-hosted support gatherings to cultivate *courage, compassion and connection*.

Love INC of Metro Tampa’s high impact outcomes help Tampa flourish. Our national training will help 50+ Love INC affiliates from across the US and Africa flourish! All this is done in His Name.

WANTED: *Servant Heart Male Volunteers*

Love INC of Metro Tampa needs male volunteers to journey in relationship with Portico Workforce Housing Solutions (PWHS) tenants transforming from street to permanent housing.



Keith and Michael

Volunteers serve for a six month period as a mentor coach for one of our guests to provide a unique opportunity to form a long-term relationship with a neighbor with life experiences different than their mentor coach.

Volunteers are trained then matched with vetted, approved PWHS guests who have multiple challenges in their life. The Mentor Coach helps plan and coach and becomes a part of the guest’s ongoing support system. www.loveinctampa.org/volunteer/

Love INC Serves In Ways that Transform

Love INC of Metro Tampa’s Help Center volunteers invest in our guests and celebrate their human dignity.

Here is our activity recap for Q2, 2019:

- 147 incoming calls for help, 45% from member churches, 33% from agencies, 22% from individuals
- 100 cases accepted involving 11 churches, 33 agencies serving 132 families with 77 children and 224 individuals
- 105 referrals made to verified resources, 48 church ministries used, 73 volunteer members from
- 12 churches logged in excess of 1836 hours (\$46,689 value at \$25.43/hour)



Love INC’s Jennifer Agana - Help Center Coordinator

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“Love INC fosters mutuality, an even exchange. All partners grow in the relationship.”
- Jennifer Agana

Love INC Welcomes Palma Ceia Presbyterian Church

Introducing the newest Love INC Partner Church, Palma Ceia Presbyterian Church. Located in South Tampa, Palma Ceia Presbyterian has a 90-year history of witnessing to the love of God and is committed to a neighborhood presence, worldwide outreach and a deep heritage of Christian faith.

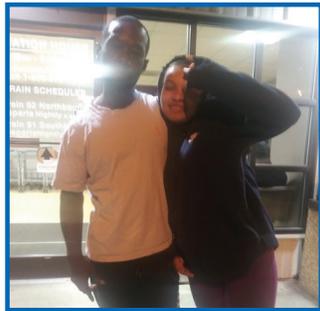
Last month over 20 youth from the Disciple Now program served at Love INC and The Portico Café, assembling collected items for residents at The Graham, a 55+ apartment complex, operated by Gracepoint Wellness, and then spent an afternoon playing bingo and singing to the residents.

Welcome Palma Ceia Presbyterian Church to Love INC! We're thrilled when Christian churches unite in purpose and fully engage in actively living out their faith by lovingly serving people in need in their communities.



"Ned" Reconnects with Dignity and Self-esteem

Here's a love story of rescue, redemption and restoration of self-esteem. Love INC of Metro Tampa recently helped one of our Portico Workforce Housing Solutions guests ("Ned") with travel home to attend his daughter's fifth grade graduation. He and his daughter are very close, though as an absentee parent dealing with homelessness, Ned has struggled to maintain his relationship and had previously not been able to return home.



Ned

Love INC bought Ned's train ticket, and he made a mutual contribution by paying for his food and other travel expenses. He was able to reconnect with his daughter and celebrate this milestone with dignity. Ned works hard and has been a great addition to the Portico Workforce Housing Solutions and Love INC families.

Love INC advocates boldly for those he loves.



UPCOMING EVENTS

See www.LoveIncTampa.org/events

SAVE THE DATE

Love INC Breakfast Fundraiser Tuesday, Oct. 8th 2019

Love INC Lunch-n-Learns / Love INC Overviews

Third Wednesday of each month – The Portico Conversation Room
Next Lunch and Learn: August 21
11:30 Registration and Networking
12:00-1:00 Lunch and Presentation

Volunteer Orientation

Saturday, August 31 – Love INC Metro Tampa Office, Portico
10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Bring a friend and witness our serving in ways that transform recipient, volunteer and community.

The Love INC team would love to speak to you about how we are helping to transform lives. We have opportunities and needs for mentors/coaches, volunteer resource navigators, prayers and donations. There is a place for everyone to be involved in our Love INC of Metro Tampa.

Questions?

Ann M. Doyle, Executive Director

Glorifying God by helping churches help people

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