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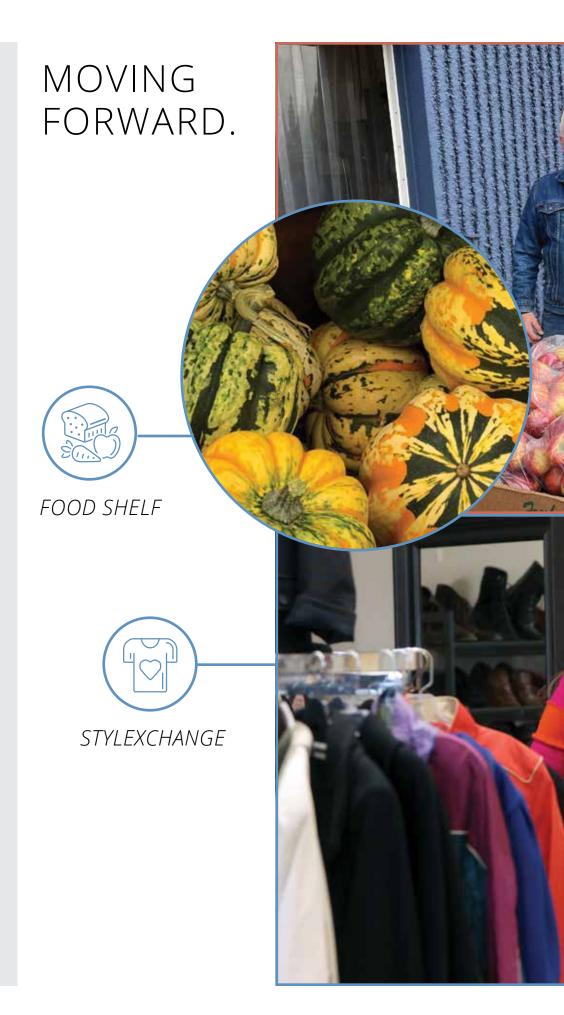
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This report covers our last fiscal year, from Oct. 1, 2023 to Sept. 30, 2024.



Claudia and Tracy

LEADERSHIP MESSAGE

Dear Friends.

We are pleased to share this annual impact report with you. The report reflects the meaningful work we accomplish together as a community-powered organization. At Valley Outreach, we remain steadfast in our commitment to evolving and responding to basic needs. We serve more than 31,000 individuals annually and hold firmly to core values of Collaboration, Connection, Kindness and Trust—values that guide every decision made by the Board, staff, and volunteers.

This year, our commitment to inclusivity and equity is prominently reflected in welcoming new signage across our public spaces. The message, "Your words matter," displayed in three languages, is a daily reminder to lead with kindness and equity in all that we do.

We are inspired by the generosity of volunteers, who contributed more than 24,000 hours across 608 individuals. Their time and dedication are essential to our mission. Equally vital is the financial support of donors. For over a decade, many of you joined us for our signature fundraising event—first Feed the Valley, later Vibrant which beautifully combined our mission with the community's passion for it. While we ended this event on a high note, we look forward to launching smaller, community-centered events in 2025 to connect with you in new and meaningful ways.

Nonprofits everywhere currently face financial challenges, and we are no exception. Changing tax laws, fewer individuals giving, fluctuating federal policies, and rising costs all affect the ability to serve. Yet, by coming together, we can overcome these challenges and create a community where everyone has the resources they need to thrive.

Every time you volunteer or donate, you bring our mission to life—helping people move forward through basic needs services and personalized support. Thank you for your trust and collaboration. Together, we are making a lasting difference.

With appreciation,

Tracy Maki, CEO

Claudia Swendseid, Board Chair

MISSION, VISION, VALUES, AND DEI STATEMENT

OUR MISSION

We help people move their lives forward through basic needs services and personalized support.

OUR VISION

We help create a vibrant and resilient community where everyone's needs are met.

VALUES

We work in the community with people and believe in the intrinsic value of every person. Our team focuses on *Collaboration, Connection, Kindness,* and *Trust* to achieve greater equity and deliver on our mission and vision.

DIVERSITY, EQUITY & INCLUSION:

WE ARE BETTER TOGETHER.

As an organization, we are building and nourishing an environment in which inclusiveness is a reflex, not an initiative.

We strive for consistent progress towards social and economic equality. We are an ally in creating positive change, never hesitating to advocate for justice, and listening to those most affected by broken systems.

In all we say and all we do, we commit to diversity, equity, and inclusion across race, color, sex, age, national origin, religion, sexual orientation, gender identity and/or expression, status as a veteran, basis of disability and other aspects of personal identity.

These values are non-negotiable.

THERE IS A LOT TO LEARN ABOUT RACIAL EQUITY AND SOCIAL JUSTICE.

A good place to start is to simply **be curious.** Valley Outreach recommends resources focused on recognition months, key dates and holidays to get started.



Read our Be Curious posts from last year. https://valleyoutreach.info/BeCurious





STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK

HOW WF BRING OUR MISSION AND VISION TO LIFE

Our strategic framework guides Valley Outreach as we advance our mission to serve the community.

We aim to be a stable, trusted resource for help, fostering economic stability, increasing empathy around poverty, and building meaningful connections with clients.

Strategic Priorities:

- Improve Access to Basic Needs: We reduce barriers to services through collaboration and approach basic needs access as a social justice issue, deepening our organizational understanding and commitment.
- **Ensure Operational Strength:** By engaging staff, board, and volunteers, maintaining robust systems, gathering feedback, and optimizing resources, we ensure continuity and autonomy, supported by a diverse mix of income streams.
- **Grow Our Influence:** We advocate for basic needs access, destigmatize service use, and address systemic inequities, leveraging our platform to expand access and promote equity.

This framework shapes our programs and operations, guiding both strategic activities and day-to-day actions.



STORIES OF IMPACT



31,900 PEOPLE USED OUR SERVICES, INCLUDING ABOUT 4,200 NEW FAMILIES.

Everyone who comes to Valley Outreach is warmly welcomed. We offer food, clothing, and resources for other services. We're one stop—often a first stop—on the journey to move forward.

ALL ARE WELCOME AT VALLEY OUTREACH

A family new to Valley Outreach came in for an appointment. One family member, who spoke English more comfortably than the others, helped translate during the meeting. When we shared Valley Outreach's welcome packet, with information in English, Spanish, and Karen, the woman in the family's face lit up with a smile. She immediately began reading the materials in Karen, clearly appreciating the ability to understand the information in her preferred language.

During the appointment, the family was assisted with StyleXchange vouchers, and a staff member walked them to the store to ensure they could easily find it. As they arrived, the family member who had been translating opened the door and, with a look of joy, exclaimed, "Whoa." It was a heartwarming moment that reflected the power of connection and the sense of belonging that Valley Outreach fosters in the community.

"They took care of me [while I was] getting help when I was in active addiction. I still get help there once in a while - I've learned to accept help... the volunteers and employees always have a smile on their faces and truly enjoy helping people. [It's] one of the reasons I am planning to go to school for my LISCW - I want to help others too instead of just helping myself."

Client testimonial from a 5-star Google Review (edited slightly for brevity & clarity)



2,310,139 POUNDS

of food distributed

7,400 FAMILIES

served

OUR FOOD
DISTRIBUTION
NUMBERS HAVE
REMAINED STEADY
OVER THE PAST YEAR
AS WE CONTINUE
TO PROVIDE A HIGH
LEVEL OF SERVICE.
Consistently offering a wide
variety of produce, proteins,
dairy, culturally relevant items,
and other staples.



This year, we distributed 2,310,139 pounds of food, equal to about 2 million meals.

We served more than 7,400 families through 24,000 Food Shelf visits and about 7,400 food pick-ups.

The people we serve across our food programs include 45% children, 50% adults, and 5% seniors (65+).

Everyone who comes to Valley Outreach in need of food receives food.

HIGHI IGHT

New Appointment Scheduling System: In April 2024, we rolled out a new appointment scheduling system to simplify and improve the client experience. The system is available in multiple languages, allows us to communicate with clients through their preferred channels (like text and email), and makes booking, canceling, or rescheduling appointments much easier.

Improved Food Access and Convenience: Monthly food shelf appointments provide predictable shopping times for clients, making it easier to plan their day. At the same time, we offer flexibility with walk-in food pick-up four times weekly, no appointment needed. Clients complete an order form, and volunteers pack and deliver orders directly to client vehicles.

The story below highlights the significant difference these updates make.

IMPACT

Recently we served a disabled veteran, who has faced many battles. His most relentless adversary is Post Traumatic Stress Disorder which makes it difficult to provide financially for his family. During the COVID-19 pandemic, the veteran discovered Valley Outreach and found joy in providing food for his family. As the world slowly reopened, Valley Outreach became busier, and the increasing crowds were overwhelming. He made the difficult decision to stop coming to Valley Outreach for food.

Over a year passed, and he decided to give Valley Outreach another chance. During that year, Valley Outreach set up a new scheduling system to serve shoppers more consistently and equitably in food programs. As he stepped through the doors after his break from services, he was met with a calm environment. The atmosphere was guieter, slower-paced, and less crowded. The controlled and mostly predictable pace allowed him to shop with ease and manage his anxiety, reminding him of the relief he once found here.







114,000 **ITEMS**

distributed

5,700 WINTER ITEMS

distributed



SHOP AT STYLEXCHANGE AND SUPPORT VALLEY OUTREACH. Shopping you can feel good about. See our website for thrift hours.



STYLEXCHANGE

More than 114,000 clothing items were distributed through our thrift store StyleXchange. Of these items, 99,600 were distributed to clients at no cost, and we sold more than 14,500 items to raise funds for our programs.

In addition, we distributed more than 5,700 items of high-quality warm winter gear to clients.

HIGHI IGHT

Expanded Thrift Hours and Added Unique Discounts: We made some exciting updates to our thrift store last year. Expanded hours and new discounts make it easier than ever to shop and save. Clients have the flexibility to shop without needing an appointment and can still get plenty of free clothing through simple, easy-to-use vouchers. Warm winter gear—like coats, hats, and gloves—remains exclusively available to clients to ensure they're ready for the cold.

We've also introduced a fun "choose your own discount" pricing model, where everyone can enjoy 25%, 50%, or even 75% off at checkout. These changes mean more access and affordability for the whole community. Plus, every purchase helps support Valley Outreach programs!

Below are a couple of stories that show the real difference these updates are making.



IMPACT

One of our regular shoppers at StyleXchange walked into the store last April, took a look around, and said with a big smile, "This is the best thing ever!" As we chatted about the new hours and updates to our programs, she shared how much she appreciated the changes. "I love the once-a-month shop in the food shelf and this new [thrift] store," she said. "It's just perfect for me. Everyone is more relaxed now."

After rolling out the updates to our thrift program, a volunteer approached us with curiosity about StyleXchange. We enthusiastically shared that StyleXchange now offers expanded hours, so no appointments are needed—yay! Plus, we adopted a pay-what-you-can pricing model, empowering shoppers to choose the discount that best fits their budget while also supporting Valley Outreach's community programs.

The volunteer later shared a heartwarming story about her family's recent shopping trip to StyleXchange. Each member found something special: the daughter chose a vibrant dress, the granddaughter selected a dress for a school dance, and the grandson picked out jerseys for Jersey Day at school.

Stories like this remind us why we do what we do—StyleXchange is more than a thrift program; it's a place where connections are made, families are supported, and everyone can find something to brighten their day.



315 **FAMILIES**

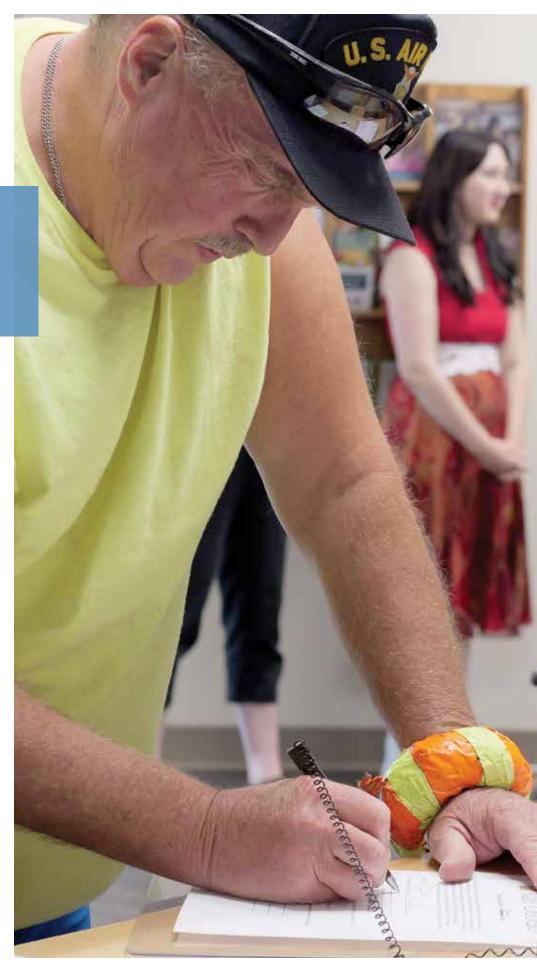
served by our team



WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE HOUSING COST-BURDENED?

Cost-burdened refers to a situation where a person or family spends a large portion of their income on housing costs, making it harder for them to afford other necessities like food, healthcare, or transportation. Typically, if someone spends more than 30% of their income on housing, they are considered cost burdened. Nearly 50% of renters in Washington County are cost-burdened according to Wilder Compass.

(https://valleyoutreach.info/ wilder_costburdened)



CLIENT SUPPORT SERVICES

The client support services team provided more than 2,300 services to 315 families last year, including 115 individuals and families who received homelessness prevention support.

HIGHI IGHT

Expanded Homelessness Prevention Efforts: In October 2023, Valley Outreach expanded its homelessness prevention efforts by becoming a subgrantee of the Family Homelessness Prevention and Assistance Program (FHPAP) through Washington County. This partnership allows us to address housing instability in a region burdened with some of the state's highest housing costs. Case managers ensure personalized, ongoing support for individuals and families, helping them maintain stable housing and avoid becoming homeless.

By combining financial assistance, case management, and basic needs support, we take a comprehensive approach to homelessness prevention. From rent assistance and landlord negotiations to food and clothing resources, Valley Outreach provides critical support to help families and individuals achieve stability.

With 50% of renters in Washington County considered housing cost-burdened, we are committed to addressing the root causes of housing instability and supporting the community through immediate crisis support and sustainable solutions. Together, we are building a stronger, more stable future for those in need.

IMPACT

In the summer of 2024, we met a resilient couple in their 70s navigating the challenges of living on a fixed income. They reside in an apartment considered affordable for Washington County at around \$1,700 per month, utilities included. However, when the wife's cancer treatment costs exceeded what their insurance would cover, they began falling behind on rent despite support from their family and spending their life savings.

"Treatment (for cancer) cost so much that it used up our savings. We were at risk of eviction for being behind on rent for two months."

That's when they came to Valley Outreach for help. Using our financial assistance fund and distributing FHPAP dollars, we met their immediate rental needs. At the same time, we connected them with additional resources, including our food program and StyleXchange, to ease other expenses.

Today, they continue to visit us regularly for food support, which is a vital cost-saving resource for their household. Thanks to these efforts and their determination, they've been able to stay in their home and focus on health and healing.

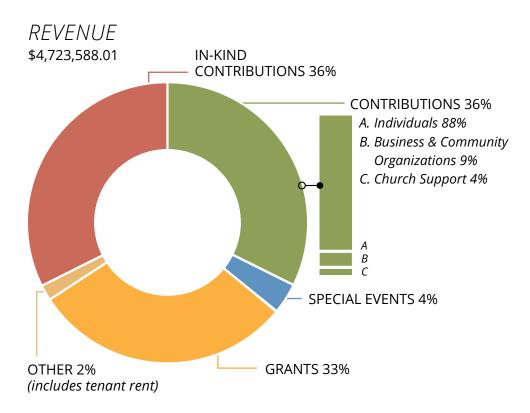


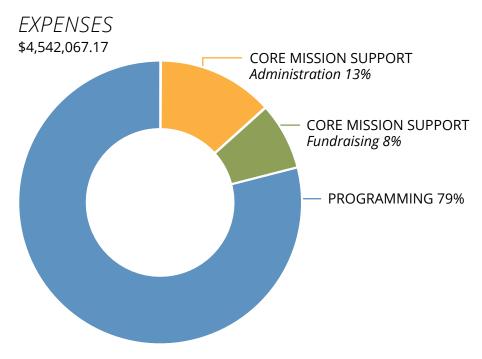
Panhia, Lead Valley Outreach Case Manager for FHPAP



BY THE NUMBERS

FISCAL YEAR 2023/2024 OVERVIEW





For a complete overview of our financials, read our Fiscal Year 2023/2024 Audited Financial Report at valleyoutreachmn.org/annual-reports.



The Valley Outreach exterior is midway through a refresh funded by a designated grant from the Fred C. and Katherine B. Andersen Foundation. The project is on track to be completed in spring 2025.



GRATITUDE



DONORS

"We appreciate the fact that you provide these varied services to clients in a respectful manner, in a welcoming space. Thank you for all you do!"

- A Valley Outreach Donor

We can only do this work with the generous, unwavering support of donors. Your gifts have a meaningful impact on all the people we serve at Valley Outreach.

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CREATE A LASTING IMPACT

The Vibrant Future Fund, our long-term non-endowed fund, received gifts and pledges last year from the following donors. We are grateful for their investment in the Valley Outreach mission. They joined the donors from the previous year and helped us successfully meet our initial goal of \$1M in gifts and pledges!

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This long-term fund is designed to provide stable, ongoing financial support to Valley Outreach. Each year a portion of the fund's value may be disbursed to help us move confidently into the future to sustain our food, clothing, and client support services programs.



We invite you to join the growing list of those making gifts.

Whether through an immediate cash or stock gift, a cash pledge over time, or through an estate plan, there are many ways to be involved. To discuss a bequest, IRA or pension beneficiary designation, charitable trust or insurance gift (i.e. life insurance beneficiary designations, charitable gift annuities), please contact Debbie Kanda, Donor Relations Manager, at debbie.kanda@valleyoutreachmn.org.

FUNDRAISING DRIVES

Valley Outreach makes it easy for you to host a drive using our **Donor Toolkit**, updated regularly and available on our Donate page. Check out some examples below!

KARLY'S TREE OF LIGHTS

For 9 years, Lois & Gregg Swope have honored their daughter Karly's memory at their annual Karly's Tree of Lights fundraiser for Valley Outreach. What started as a small family effort, including Karly's sister Leah, has grown into a larger community event, with new donors joining each year. Karly's legacy of kindness, and concern for children and those with special needs, continues to inspire. The Swope family is proud to support Valley Outreach.

DIASORIN MARCH MADNESS

DiaSorin, a local business and dedicated supporter of Valley Outreach, goes above and beyond by volunteering, making company donations, and hosting an annual food and fund drive during March Madness. This fun and generous competition brings their company community together, benefiting Valley Outreach and ensuring that everyone wins. We're grateful for DiaSorin's continued support in helping us meet the needs of our neighbors!





3M Automotive Aftermarket Division Afton Thanksgiving Turkey Trot Ahola. Mack and Associates March FoodShare Fundraiser **Baytown Quilters** Bethlehem Lutheran Church March FoodShare Campaign Carnelian Cares Chilakoot Bowhunters Christ Lutheran Church Pork & Sauerkraut Supper Church of St. Charles Thanksgiving Fundraiser City of Stillwater Employees Darn Knit Anyway Yarn Shop Hop DiaSorin March Madness First State Bank & Trust March FoodShare Heritage Embroidery

Hill Murray Trap Team Inspiration Community's Huffing for Stuffing 5K Karly's Tree of Lights Lake Elmo Bank March FoodShare Light Left On Foundation Manger Restaurant & Wine Bar Memorial Lutheran Women's Bible Study Midwest Spine & Brain Institute Morgan Mosiman Photography Halloween Photo Fundraiser Our Savior's Lutheran Church Vacation Bible School Perennial Garden Club Trillium Chapter Raw Emerald Yoga **Grand Opening** Salem Lutheran Church Ladies Guild

Salem Lutheran Church Thanksgiving Fundraiser Stillwater Bowlers Stillwater High School Girls Class of 1961 Stillwater High School National Honor Society Stillwater Middle School Stillwater Ponies Wrestling Team Booster Club Stillwater Women's Golf League Summer Tuesday— Best Wings in the Valley Thursday Morning Boutwell's Bridge Group Trinity Lutheran Anna's Circle and Rebekah Circle Valley Bookseller Washington County Attorney's Office Woman's Reading Club



608 **VOLUNTEERS**

24,000+ **HOURS**

donated by volunteers



THANK YOU **VOLUNTEERS!**

1000+ HOURS

Sharon Longnecker

400+ HOURS

Karen Brandt Chris Nelson Dave Herder Holly (Nancy) Melroe

300+ HOURS

Dave Osten Ianessa Berrios Dan Schoepke Beth Anne Sutcliffe Suzanne Burmester Ethan Herrera Rebecca Ryan

200+ HOURS

Mark Cusick Michelle Bohlig Mary Sweeney Karin Ellis Bill Martin George Vania Michele Stephan Steve Schmitt Paul Vahle

John Hollister

100+ HOURS

Jim Bohlig Mary Ann Nichols Mary Schmitt Hanan Dahdah Jackie Savstrom Debbie Yanker Black Steve Olson Alex Frederick Jay Siemieniak Linda McGough Paul Dornfeld Tim Almquist Mary (Kim) Hanson David Brookman Debbie Trunzo Kava Zabawa Paul Skoug Robbi Hagelberg John Bischoff Lori Mildon Mary Popelka Stacy Gunderson Judith Tank Joyce Van Zee

Judy Winter Jan Lund Susan Swanson Marilyn Garcia Andrew Kass Deb Wall Joan Kay Brandt Eric Nikolai Kathy Hagen Alice (Shuchin) Wu Scott Kieland Debbie Myrvold Anne Hansen Barb Diederichs Mary Dieltz Patricia Ford Sandi Millar Peggy Ludtke Karen Keller Peg Tully Bernice Darling Mary Black Trudee Watson Brenda Doneux Susan Harrold Joan Foster

Robin Buchanan Patricia Buck Patricia Malzacher Wendy Worner Marty Raths

50+ HOURS Linda Wright Nancy Kohns Mary Mitchell Cheryl Burch-Schoff Sara Megchelsen Ann Bellows **Dorothy Stormont** Kathy Testa Sarah Prunty Paul Copenhaver Sally Seiberlich Vicki Slagle Laurie Hansen Sharon Rue Lewis Mark Stephan Patricia(Patty) Solem Jared Danielson Marcia (Marci) Knaak Mary Biermaier Russ Savstrom

Jane Schwartz Margaret Carasik Suzanne Pollack Sue VanTassel Kris Hansen Steve Diederichs Helen Secor Charlie Mohr Mike Kohns Cyndy Silkworth Thomas Monahan Kris Linner Sarah Anderson Mark Gieseke Molly Martin Claudia Swendseid Patty Bell Dale Tennison Joseph Monsour Raymond Kolodzieski Leslie Cirullo Sharon Beauchamp Robert Horning Richard Stehr Mary Bechthold Linda Hainlen

STAFF & VOLUNTEERS

VOLUNTEERS

Over the past year, 608 incredible volunteers donated more than 24,000 hours of their time to support our mission. Their dedication, compassion, and energy are at the center of everything we do.

One volunteer shared, "I love all of the staff, workers, and clients that I've met and continue to meet!" Another reflected, "Every time I remember a client's name and their face lights up!" These moments of connection show what volunteers can experience at Valley Outreach as they help serve thousands of people each year.

Volunteers embody the values we hold dear: Collaboration, Connection, Kindness, and Trust. Their time is a gift—a precious, irreplaceable resource that powers our mission.

Thank you to each and every volunteer for being the heart of our mission. We couldn't do this without you!

Jerene Loveridge Patricia Schlagel Mary Rock Natalie Erickson Jerry Serfling Mary Bolton Cal Caturia Donald Sergi Carol Wold Elizabeth Cuthbert

40+ HOURS Wendell Braun

Glenda Bjorum Suzanne Donnohue **Bonnie Sherod** Mary Croft Theodore Olson Matt Gackstetter Kaira Bettin Diane Lajoie Peg Malanaphy Ryan Freeman Tamara Gardner Brigid McCarthy-Velin Kathy Fagerlund

Timothy Berens Jill French-Graebner Sarah Ha Mary Mundahl Shaleen Culbert-Kivlin Steve Black **David Ports** Kathy Klonecki Mike Burton Mason Schwerzler Luke Schlosser Stephanie Kotnik Sara Wagner Elizabeth Ohe Ava Siefker Philip Larson Jack Dunn

30+ HOURS

Isabelle Herr Shirley Hale Kate Spencer Mary Burnes Todd Hansen June Thury Gary Soete

Nicholas(Cola) Hulse Jill Johannes Terri Hoeft Susanne Legato Sandy Wendt Karen Hewes Jennifer Sullivan Dennis (Nelson) Nelson Martina Dilts-Spear Patricia Neeson Noreen Flipp

20+ HOURS Kathleen Hanley

Larry Janssen Polly Logan Mary Blakemore Karen Gieseke Linda Ash Steve Scallon Luanne Brennan Alex Potter Pamela Christenson Sylvia Rowenhorst Carol Banks Erin Jakupciak

Colleen Gysbers Adeline(Gussie) Carroll Adam Roux Marcy Kehrwald Cynthia Fritsche Donna VonLehe Tim Mueller Nicole Lewis Ellen Callet Frank Gallivan Laura Mueller Mel Severson Samuel Ness Chris Berns Samantha Betts Douglas Berns Katie Keran Paul Miller Adelvn Thole Heather Bender

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Panhia Vang, Client Support

Services – Case Manager









COMMUNITY-POWERED

Valley Outreach is community-powered, and we need your continued support. Please join us!

VOLUNTEER

Volunteers serve thousands of people every year in all our programs. We have various opportunities for individuals and groups to make a difference in the lives of people we help.

valleyoutreachmn.org/become-a-volunteer

DONATE FOOD AND CLOTHES

Donations of non-perishable food, fresh produce, personal care items, and gently used, in-season clothing are welcome throughout the year.

valleyoutreachmn.org/food-donations

valleyoutreachmn.org/clothing-donations

MAKE A FINANCIAL DONATION

Financial gifts we receive are thoughtfully and professionally managed to work hard for the community we serve. We receive and accept cash donations in several ways. Gifts to Valley Outreach are tax-deductible and accepted online, in person, and via mail. Every dollar donated helps us serve the community and ensures we are a reliable place for people to get help.

valleyoutreachmn.org/financial-donations







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"Such nice people, I didn't feel judged, and it was a very warm welcoming place where anyone in need no matter what nationality, background, or situation they might find themselves in could feel safe and in good hands..."

- From a 5-star Google Review

