

KCC Mission Moment: Rachel's House

“A generous person will oneself be blessed if shares food with the poor”

Proverbs 22 vs. 9

Rachel's House has operated under Catholic Charities as part of Homeless Women's Services for 31 years. The facility located at 759 8th Avenue consists of a large pleasant social room containing a TV, books and games open during the day plus a large dining area with hand made quilts and other art work decorating the walls. Fresh flowers provided by Blooms from the Heart florist reflect love in action. KCC participates with other Christian denominations in donating food dishes which are brought in already prepared as there are no cooking/refrigeration appliances

Rachel's House is a safe, supportive, sober emergency location for homeless and very low income women for them to gather and begin self-help programs.

Rachel's House serves women ages 18 and up and can accommodate 60 for lunch and supper. Another location has night shelter for 35 plus showers and laundry and provides a place to receive mail. This location is always accepting donations of twin size bedding, new underwear, socks and gently worn clothing for women, as well as soap, toothpaste and brushes, and feminine hygiene products.

Bonnie McCarthy has coordinated our KCC food program since January 2013 lining up our members to serve suppers to 60 women once a month. Currently KCC members Elizabeth Clegg cooks the main entrée with help from Dale; side dishes, beverages, desserts and serving supplies donated by our other members. There is a sign up sheet in Lander Hall for our next date for Rachel's House Sunday, August 23.

Take this opportunity to serve and meet some lovely ladies.

Visit the Rachel's House website: <http://www.ccdsd.org/programs/homeless-womens-services/>

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