

EIKON

CONNECTING
POINTS

WHAT?

The Eikon Community Garden is a place for individuals or groups of any kind to gather and grow plants together. The lot directly adjacent to our building is being used as a community garden that will consist of raised beds built and maintained by Eikon as well as beds built and maintained by people in the community who would like to grow their own garden. We will provide the space for free and is open to all with. All community participants are responsible for building their bed, buying the dirt and watering/weeding. Building within the community, we will count on support from our neighbors and members to maintain a peaceful spot to work together.

WHY?

The goal of the garden is to 1) provide healthy food for our 2nd Sunday dinners, 2) connect with God through his creation 3) create beauty in the community, inviting all who want to join, 4) demonstrate God's love through sharing and being good stewards of the land.

DO WHAT?

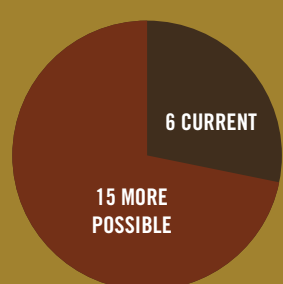
We need volunteers to help with any or all of the following tasks: watering, building raised beds, planting seeds, harvesting food, mowing, pulling weeds and helping with general maintenance.

HOW MANY VOLUNTEERS DO WE NEED?



8

HOW MUCH ROOM FOR MORE RAISED BEDS DO WE HAVE?



\$100 /MONTH
MONTHLY COST OF LOT

\$800 /MONTH
DOWNTOWN LR AVERAGE

WE HAVE 4 BARRELS COLLECTING RAIN WATER



IN ~20 WATERINGS, WE'VE USED



CITY WATER USED

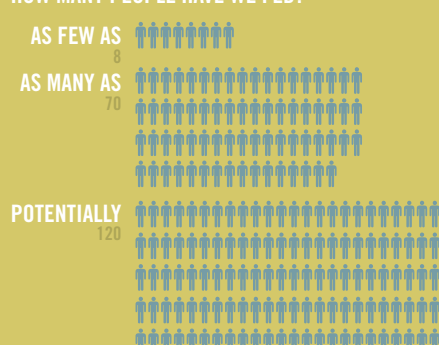
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↑ community garden

FOOD + COMMUNITY

sunday dinner ↓

HOW MANY PEOPLE HAVE WE FED?



HOW MANY TIMES HAVE WE WITNESSED SOMEONE LICK THE SPOON & STICK IT BACK

WE BEGAN WEEKLY DINNERS ON SEPTEMBER 12, 2010



HOURS SPENT EATING TOGETHER



WHAT?

Every 2nd Sunday night of the month, our community will share in a family-style dinner provided by volunteers from our church. For those desiring to stay only for dinner, we will begin serving at 5:30. 6 pm remains for those staying for the entirety. On the remaining nights, rather than amassing a full dinner, we'll serve drinks (including coffee, tea & water) along with desserts provided by volunteers from the church. Focusing on serving something lighter these other nights will lessen the burden of cooking for such large numbers. The dessert time will still retain the value of engaging "family time" with extended conversations with the various people in our community.

WHY?

Sharing a meal offers a valuable "family time". A relationally healthy family sits down not only to share in the pragmatism of a meal, but to share life and more fully connect. Of course, pragmatically speaking, it simply offers a meal for those in a rush to feed their families or those who would otherwise go without.

DO WHAT?

Setup volunteers arrive at 4:30. Tasks: making coffee and tea, warming food, putting linens on the table and setting out dishes. Clean-up volunteers tasks: washing dishes, putting linens in the wash, wiping down the serving table and sweeping the floors.

HOW MANY VOLUNTEERS DO WE NEED?*



4
*EACH WEEK

WHAT?

We will open our building for our homeless friends to come relax and have some basic needs met including the following: laundry, showers, haircuts, check email, get help with job applications, receive fresh clothes (as needed), hang out/watch tv/games, get basic snacks/drinks. Ideally (based on volunteer response), we will be open from 2 pm-8 pm on Thursdays.

come. We want to create an inviting space where people can feel comfortable coming to get cleaned up, hang out, and get basic help...without having to do anything in return. Further, we believe that since we have the resources, we have the opportunity to be Jesus by giving freely. Jesus talked about serving the poor more than anything and this is our opportunity to live out that command.

DO WHAT?

We need at least 1 male and 1 female at all times, but shifts can be flexible. Duties: showing people where to shower and do laundry, helping fill out any applications and/or paperwork, help answer computer questions, hangout and be friendly.

HOW MANY VOLUNTEERS DO WE NEED?*



4
*EACH WEEK

MOST ADDRESSED TOPIC IN THE BIBLE: POVERTY

300+ VERSES

REFERENCES TO POVERTY BY JESUS

30+

REFERENCES TO PERSONAL SALVATION BY JESUS

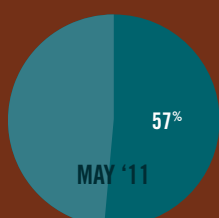
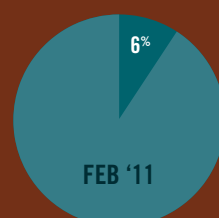
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NUMBER OF LAUNDROMATS IN LITTLE ROCK THAT ALLOW HOMELESS TO DO LAUNDRY

0

NUMBER OF PLACES IN LITTLE ROCK THAT ALLOW HOMELESS TO GET A HAIRCUT

% WEEKLY HOMELESS ATTENDANCE

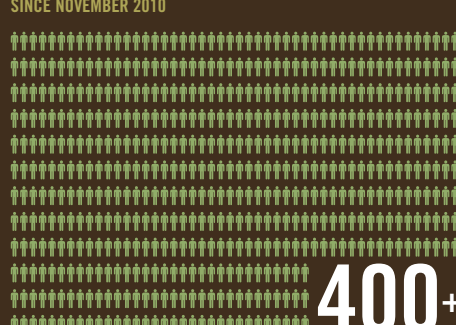


↑ open doors

HOMELESS + COMMUNITY

broadway bridge dinner ↓

HOW MANY PEOPLE HAVE WE SERVED? SINCE NOVEMBER 2010



SUMMER MONTHS? EACH MONTH



HOMELESS POPULATION IN LITTLE ROCK AREA

2,500
OF ARKANSAS TOWNS WITH LESS THAN 2,500 POPULATION
433

HOW MANY MONTHS WE'VE SERVED DINNER



WHAT?

Each 4th Friday night of the month (at 6 pm), we serve a meal under the Broadway Bridge to the homeless community. Volunteers from our church make the food, bring the food and dish it out! We've been serving dinner under the bridge since November 2010 including a Thanksgiving meal and a Christmas Eve meal and party. The most difficult part of this project is predicting how many folks will show up - we've served as few as 40 and as many as 120.

WHY?

Simply put, we do this to feed people that are hungry. We also use

this time to build relationships with the homeless community. We feel that it's important to not just serve food but to treat those we are serving with love and respect and, if they are interested, to invite them to our church home to share meals and conversation there as well.

DO WHAT?

Volunteers are needed to do the following: cook the food, bring coffee or drinks, pick up (from the Eikon building) tables and setup beneath the bridge, transport serving ware, serve the food, and clean up.

HOW MANY VOLUNTEERS DO WE NEED?



BETWEEN 10 & 15