# You Can Help

Love Thy Neighbor relies exclusively on our volunteers and the support of the community to provide food, clothing, materials for handmade items, and monetary donations. We host fundraising activities throughout the year to support our programs. By bringing the community together and helping others we are able to offer encouragement, hope, faith and love. LTN has no paid employees. More than 95% of funds raised go directly toward supporting our mission.

Tax deductible donations can be mailed to the address listed on the cover or made through our website. Our donation page at <u>www.ltnlovethyneighbor.org/donate/</u> also details other ways you can help:

- Our primary fundraiser is North Texas Giving Day each September
- Rewards programs, including Amazon Smiles, Kroger and Tom Thumb
- Love Thy Neighbor and Love Thy Baby Amazon wish lists
- In-kind donations of non-perishable food, diapers, new baby clothing and gently used clothing for all ages
- Contribute your time and talent by joining us as a volunteer

## **Our Mission**

Love Thy Neighbor is a North Texas non-profit organization, 100% volunteer based, committed to supporting individuals and families that need nutrition and clothing, including newborns who are born into health or economic crises.

## **Our Partners**

Love Thy Neighbor volunteers gather food and clothing and deliver them through our partners:

New Beginnings Church

Heart of the City Lewisville

PediPlace

Parkland Health

John Peter Smith Hospital

Communities in Schools

Valley Creek Next Step Center

St. Philip the Apostle Catholic Church of Flower Mound

**Child Protective Services** 

Shelters such as Sharing Life, Nexus, Hope4Refugees, White Rock Center of Hope and Kyle's Place

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## Food

### Area Growth

The population of North Texas is growing by 2.23% each year, with a corresponding growth in individuals and families in need.

## Food

Love Thy Neighbor began in 2010 with a Kitchen Program in partnership with the Salvation Army Lewisville. Volunteers managed the preparation, cooking, and serving of hot and nutritious meals five days a week. LTN was able to feed 100 clients a day, with to-go sacks also provided to another 30. After the dining room closed due to COVID, a drive-through program provided free meals for the homeless or and others unable to prepare a meal.

In January 2022, LTN changed to a partnership with Heart of the City. The HOTC Mill St. location serves, on average, 200+ families per week and the HOTC-West location at New Beginnings Church currently serves about 35 families each day that they are open. These numbers will grow as more locations and serve days are added. Love Thy Neighbor supports these pantries by purchasing food items not available through the North Texas Food Bank.

# Clothing

Clothing

In April 2013, LTN added the Clothing Assistance Program (CAP). Families, working poor and homeless were given gently used clothing, shoes, socks and under-garments. Personal Shoppers assisted qualified clients by appointment to select clothes that fit and provide a dignified experience. Each family member received four outfits every three months

In 2022, LTN partnered with New Beginnings Church to open a new clothing closet. Our volunteers filled racks, shelves and bins with clothing, shoes, underwear and other items. This location is currently open the first and third Saturdays of each month, with plans for additional days.

The program relies upon the community for gently used clothing and consignment stores to donate their clothing. Underwear must be new and in packages while gently used bras and socks will be accepted. Love Thy Neighbor volunteers sort donated clothing, and purchase shoes, socks, undergarments and other items needed to ensure quality items are available in each size.

Clothing is also provided to the HOTC Mill St. location and to individuals identified by other partners. Coats are given out starting in October, donating up to 1000 coats in a single day.

# Love Thy Baby

#### Love Thy Baby

Love Thy Baby became part of Love Thy Neighbor in January of 2015. LTB focuses on meeting the needs of infants who are born into health or economic crisis. Volunteers make and collect warm blankets and clothing for newborn babies born into health or economic crisis.

LTB volunteers sew, quilt, knit and crochet quilts, blankets, clothes, hats, booties, and other baby items. LTB has been able to provide more than 50,000 handmade and donated items each year. Parkland Health and Hospital System receives the majority of the donations, but support is also provided to John Peter Smith Hospital, PediPlace and other local agencies that are helping to meet the needs of infants.

#### Love Thy Pet

Love Thy Baby volunteers create a lot of soft scraps when cutting quilt cotton and batting, tearing the selvage off flannel for receiving blankets and cutting fleece for blankets, hats and booties. This "stuffing" goes into dog and cat beds made from heavier fabric that has been donated to us.

Love Thy Pet delivers between 800-1,000 of these beds to local shelters and rescue groups each year.