

Organization Name Care and Share Foodbank for Southern Colorado – updated 4/20/2024



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Who is served? Christ has called us to feed the poor. Care and Share serves tens of thousands of our neighbors in southern Colorado who don't know where their next meal will come from.

Funds used for: St. Michael's 2023 Outreach Committee donations provided 17,500 meals to feed food insecure individuals in southern Colorado. Care and Share is highly effective and efficient. In 2023, they spent 96% of their funds on programs, 3% on fundraising, and 1% on general and administrative expenses. Strong community volunteer involvement is a key factor helping them to achieve this efficiency, and it enables them to spend more of their budget on acquiring and delivering food to those in need.

Mission of Organization: "To provide food, partnering opportunities, and education to fight hunger and food insecurity." Care and Share's vision is "A hunger-free Southern Colorado." Their purpose "is to bridge the gap between hunger and abundance." Care and Share provides food free, or at below wholesale cost, to partner agencies including soup kitchens, food pantries, community centers, churches and schools. They also provide food and services for free directly to people facing hunger through a Mobile Food Pantry, Mobile Market, and their Sunny Side Markets.

How St. Michael's Can Volunteer: Volunteer individually or join the St. Michael's volunteer team to work at the Colorado Springs distribution center, etc. Please visit their website <https://careandshare.org/> for more details.

How St. Michael's has Engaged in the past: In addition to individuals volunteering their time and talent, the Outreach Committee has supported Care and Share with grant funds over many years. Care and Share has also received goods from the 40 Days of Giving. The St. Michael's volunteer team worked for 3½ hours at the food distribution site in Dec. 2023, and again in Feb. 2024. We plan to repeat these work sessions of St. Michael's volunteers about every calendar quarter. Please look for announcements in the weekly bulletins.

If you are interested in joining the St. Michael's Care and Share volunteer team, or for more information, please contact Justin Morrill at justin_morrill@msn.com.