

Organization Name Salvation Army - Family Hope Center – updated April 22, 2024



THE SALVATION ARMY R.J. MONTGOMERY FAMILY HOPE CENTER

Liaison(s) Diane Verlinde

Who is served Low income/no income families with children

Funds used for to provide meals and minor supplies for Salvation Army's "Family Hope Center" (FHC) families and homeless veterans.

Mission of Organization The Salvation Army, an international movement, is an evangelical part of the Christian Church. Its message is based on the bible. Its ministry is motivated by the love of God. Its mission is to preach the gospel of Jesus Christ and to meet human needs in Christ's name without discrimination. The newly renovated FHC in Colorado Springs provides temporary and emergency housing for up to thirty-one families and homeless veterans. The new suites provide a total of 186 bunk beds configured to a family's needs. The rooms give families privacy and enables them to stay together. The long-range plan is to double the number of units; it is the only shelter for homeless families in Colorado Springs. They receive free overnight stays, meals, and case management to help them become self-sustaining. Sixty percent of families move next into apartments or transitional housing because they are able to save enough money while staying in the FHC shelter.

How St. Michael's Can Volunteer Cooking and serving dinner to over one hundred residents of FHC every other month.

How St. Michael's has Engaged in the past This meal ministry arose after the "Lord's Dinner" closed. This ministry is supported through grant funding from the Outreach Committee. Nine people are directly involved in serving meals, led by parishioner Diane Verlinde. Parishioner Rick Couch serves as an Advisory Board Member for the Salvation Army.