



Mid-Hudson Love INC

Love In the Name of Christ

Building Relationships • Restoring Hope • Transforming Lives

SUMMER 2021

Our Mission

To engage local churches
to transform lives
and our community
In the Name of Christ

Redemptive Compassion Core Principles

Everyone has value.

We are called to invest relationally
in each other.

Everyone has capacity and potential

Mutual participation is important.

We must use wisdom and discernment.

What we do should transform.



Redemptive Compassion® is a biblical philosophy on how we can offer holistic help to those we serve. It has evolved over fifteen years of working daily with people who find themselves struggling with needs in their life and unable to overcome them on their own.

We offer an informative 5 session Redemptive Compassion® study. If your church or small group would like to convene a study group, please send an email to director@mhinc.org.

If you would like to attend a study group, please look for details of one that we will be planning for Fall 2021.

Please go to www.mid-hudsonloveinc.org to find out the different ways that you can donate by clicking on the DONATE button. Every purchased item and dollar donated matters.



Also, please don't forget to use AMAZON SMILE (Smile.Amazon.com) and designate Mid-Hudson Love In the Name of Christ as the recipient of the donation. Thank You for making a difference!



Director's Message

John Marrine, Executive Director

I cannot believe that 2021 is half over. As COVID restrictions ease up and we start to get back to some normalcy across the various Love INC ministries, I want to extend a huge THANK YOU to all of our supporters for giving of your time, talent and treasures to partner with Mid-Hudson Love In the Name of Christ in ministering to our neighbors. Many of our neighbors looked to Love INC for guidance, options, and prayer during this timeframe and felt comforted that someone was in their corner ready to help. Through

the partnership of Love INC and local churches, TOGETHER, we were able to provide this assurance for them.

I am excited of all we were able to accomplish together in the first half of 2021. In the Relational Ministry area, classes are in full swing and our neighbors are excited to be back learning new skills and enjoying each other's company. We were able to add a new course called *Faith and Finance* to our core class offering with its debut in April. We have implemented a structured class for children to participate in while their parents are enjoying their classes. This children's class is the first phase of a *Children's Ministry Program* that we hope to implement, in partnership with local churches, over time. Our *Coaching Program* is seeing neighbors advancing towards their defined goals. The neighbors and coaches have expressed that they are both benefiting from this experience. We have developed a *Stepping Stone Grant* for neighbors being coached to assist them in reaching their goals. Yes, lives in our community are truly being transformed.

There are plenty of Relational Ministry volunteer needs as well as other Love INC opportunities available to fulfill our ministry goals. We'd love to have you join our Love INC family. To find out more, why not attend one of our Volunteer Orientation sessions (refer to *Save the Date* section) or contact me (director@mhinc.org).

We have a lot of work ahead of us this year, but with that comes the opportunity to be God's hands and feet in ministering to those in need in our community. Thanks again to all who have been called to this ministry and have glorified God through their efforts. ~ John

And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. Luke 24:40

Bringing Christ's Love To The Children!

Be a part of a team of volunteers from Love INC partner churches as we launch a new Children's Ministry program this fall and bring the love of Christ to children in the Love INC community! Children's Ministry teachers are needed to teach Bible stories to the little ones in our Love INC families on Tuesday evenings while their parents are down the hall in class. Experience in caring for special needs children is also needed. To learn more, register for an **Informational Zoom meeting on Tuesday evening July 27, 2021 at 6:30 pm**. Contact RelationalMinistryCoordinator@mhinc.org for details.



Save the Date!

Christmas in July

CHRISTMAS MARKET
To Benefit Mid-Hudson Love In the Name of Christ

Saturday, July 10, 2021

9am - 2pm
Rain or Shine

Poughkeepsie United Methodist Church
2381 New Hackensack Road / Route 376

Home Decor • Crafts • Candles & Lights
Artisan Crafts • Wall Art • Toys • Jewelry • Ornaments
Artificial Christmas Trees • Baked Goods & More!

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Love In the Name
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Fill The Truck

Donation Drive

To benefit the Mid-Hudson Love INC
Relational Ministry

Sunday, September 12

Pagones Insurance
Rt. 9, 2668 South Road,
Poughkeepsie, NY 12601



Stop by the Pagones Insurance parking lot
between 2pm and 4pm on September 12
and help us 'Fill The Truck' by donating
these much needed ministry class incentive
items for Mid-Hudson Love INC!

Grocery Items

- Can (10 oz) Chicken Meat
- Jar/Box LOW SODIUM dry Chicken Bouillon
- Can (10 oz) ROTEL Diced Tomatoes
- Box (12-18 oz) Breakfast Cereal
- Jar (24 oz) Pasta Sauce
- Can (5 oz) Tuna
- Can (19 oz) Low Sodium Soup
- Bottled Waters (10 or 12 oz size)

Household Items

- Plastic Bucket (2 gallon)
- Liquid Laundry Detergent (64 oz)
- Small Box Dryer Sheets
- Paper Towels
- Toilet Paper
- Liquid Dish Detergent (14-16 oz)
- Sponges (4pack -no scrubbers)
- Disinfectant Cleaner (32 oz)
- WHite Kitchen Garbage Bags (13 gallon, 20-30 pack)
- Pair of Rubber Cleaning Gloves (Latex Free, Size Large)
- Tissues (medium size box or boutique cube)

Personal Care

- Shampoo
- Ladies Deoderant
- Body Lotion & Body Wash
- Pump Hand Soap
- Toothpaste
- Mouthwash
- Q-tips
- Lip Balm

Cards and Bags

- \$10 and \$20 Grocery Gift Cards with activation slips (Stop N Shop & Shop Rite)
- Re-usable Shopping Bags

Bed Pillows

- Standard-sized Bed Pillows, new and in original packaging

Contact Mid-Hudson Love INC
at 845-471-0102 with questions.



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Relational Ministry

Love Stories –

Coming Together, Transforming Lives Class Participant Quotes

♥ I love the classes and am so glad they are back. The classes were my “me time”, my recreation, my own “getaway”, my “fun space” and I looked forward all week to getting out and being with the ladies and sharing laughs. I absolutely love the new friends I have made.

♥ The class taught me to look into trying my hardest; to try to be a better me.

♥ It's a great class with great teachers. They are wonderful people of God.

♥ The people in the classes are like family to me. A lot of friendships were made. I like the interactions, I like the discussions, and I learned a lot. The classes keep me grounded. They are one of my only outlets for being around people and getting out. Otherwise, I worry I'd be cut off from everything and everyone, especially nowadays.

♥ The class is so, so good for me, keeps me peaceful, and keeps me around positive people...so I will keep going to the next 5 weeks of class. I like it. No, I Love it! (The neighbor talked to her cousin about the class and now her cousin wants to join.)

♥ I'm learning from class that sometimes you just have to try to do things differently, even if it means I go outside my comfort zone.

Prayer Calendar

Prayer is such an integral part of the Love INC ministry. Did you know you can join us in daily prayer through our Prayer Calendar? Every day of the month has a special prayer request that we, as a community, can be in prayer together.

Our calendars are available on our website at the *Impact/Prayer Ministry* tabs and selecting the *Prayer Update* button at the bottom of the page.



Thanks to Our Volunteers!

Our volunteers, are key in realizing the Mid-Hudson Love INC mission to engage local churches to transform lives and our community In the Name of Christ. No matter what the challenges, they have provided unwavering support.

Volunteer Appreciation Picnic

We want to show our appreciation with a Volunteer Picnic on August 7 4pm-7pm at Greenvale Park (2260 New Hackensack Rd, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603). Let's come together for a time of fellowship, food and good times. Please RSVP to Jewel Ratzlaff (jewel.ratzlaff@gmail.com) by July 31. We hope to see you there!

Volunteer Orientation

Learn More at an introduction to Local Ministry through Mid-Hudson Love INC VOLUNTEER ORIENTATION SESSIONS (all cover same material)
Tuesday, July 13, 2:30 pm (Zoom) or
Saturday, July 31, 10 am (Zoom) or
Thursday, August 19, 6:30 pm (in person)
RSVP to Jewel Ratzlaff, Volunteer Coordinator info@mhinc.org.

