

Hopeful Horizons

Cross-Lines Community Outreach Monthly Update



February 2024

Hello Susila,

Welcome to the first **Hopeful Horizons** monthly email update! Going forward, each month, we will send out this email to keep you updated with what is happening around Cross-Lines. We hope to provide you with a more regular look into what we're working towards each day and up-to-date service numbers for our programs so you can see the REAL impact of your support!

Do you have suggestions for what you'd like to see in this monthly email? Share your ideas! Contact Kelly Gough Moran: kelly@cross-lines.org. I'd love to hear from you!

As always, thank you for your support.

Kindly,
Kelly and the Cross-Lines Team

January Service Numbers



Market Visits: 1,497
Individuals served: 4,292



Meals served: 3,110



Bills Paid: \$27,198
Outreach Contacts: 85
People Housed: 8



Volunteer Hours: 905
(approximate)

January Volunteer Spotlight

Seth Novero
Laminate Works
Kansas City, KS



Q. How long have you been volunteering at Cross-Lines?

A. Our first project was 12/8/18 for the Xmas store and our many projects with you since then also includes working the community garden, commodities, community market, and grounds work.

Q. What do you love most about volunteering at Cross-Lines?

A. What I love most is our close proximity to Cross-Lines from our workplace. One of my passions and vision for our Employee Volunteer program was to learn about and be a part of organizations in our area that have a direct impact in our community and I feel it doesn't get any closer and more impactful than helping with the work Cross-Lines does in our own neighborhood.

Q. Where can we usually find you volunteering?

A. In addition to Cross-Lines, you can find me volunteering in many other organizations in our area such as Giving the Basics, Rosedale Development Association, Something To Eat, Adelente Thrift and at my church in NKC through the House of Hope.

Q. What else do you like to do in your spare time?

A. I love connecting with people and spending time with my kids and I really enjoy it most while being active and experiencing new things! So in my spare time, I enjoy exploring the city with my kids and diving into a variety of communities on my own time that includes basketball leagues, my boxing club, the YMCA, dance classes, drum circles, and activities through my local church.

Thank you, Seth! We appreciate YOU!

If you are interested in volunteering, please reach out to Director of Community Engagement, Rachel Russell, Rachel@cross-lines.org or visit <https://www.cross-lines.org/how-to-help/volunteer.html>



Cross-Lines vs Metro Lutheran Ministry Feb 1st-29th

We are SO excited for the Chiefs WINNING the Big Game that we decided a friendly challenge of our own is in order!

Join us in competing in the 2024 SOUP-ER BOWL!

Cross-Lines has challenged Metro Lutheran Ministry to see who can collect the most soup and canned goods for our communities during the month of February. ♥

Bring us your donation any time during February, and we will tally the results at the end of the month!

Want to help us out **BIG TIME?** Reach out to Kelly Gough Moran (kelly@cross-lines.org) to set up a drive at your work, church, or in your neighborhood. *We have bins available to borrow!*

No donation is too small to help support our neighbors. We can't wait to see the cans rolling in!

(PS- Get ready for next month; We will be collecting CEREAL for March Madness!)

Celebrate Black History Month with Cross-Lines Community Outreach!

Throughout February, we honor the rich heritage, achievements, and contributions of Black individuals and communities. At Cross-Lines, we embrace diversity and celebrate the unique stories that make up

our community tapestry. From every background, ethnicity, and walk of life, we stand together in unity and solidarity.

Join us this month as we reflect, learn, and uplift the voices and experiences that shape our shared history. Together, we celebrate diversity, promote inclusion, and foster a brighter, more inclusive future for all.

Check out more news, events, and resources here:

<https://www.kshb.com/news/black-history-month>



2024 Events



Legacy Breakfast *Wednesday, May 22nd*

We are excited to return to The Vox Theater for 2024's second annual Cross-Lines Legacy Breakfast! Mark your calendars for Wednesday, May 22nd, at 8am!

We will gather to share a delicious meal and celebrate the outstanding legacy of Cross-Lines, our supporters, volunteers, and community partners!

Sponsorships available NOW!
Tickets on sale soon!

**Learn More About The Legacy
Breakfast**

Gala for Hope 2024 *Friday, September 27th, 2024*

Clear your calendar for the last Friday in September because we will be seeing YOU at The View at Briarcliff once again this year for our annual Gala For Hope!

We can't wait to host an evening of fun, gratitude, and support! There will be an amazing catered dinner, open bar, silent and live auctions, and inspiring stories of Cross-Lines' impact on our community.

We hope to see you there for a beautiful evening of supporting Cross-Lines and

making a BIG difference. Make sure you bring your dancing shoes!

Sponsorships available NOW! Contact kelly@cross-lines.org for more information!



Learn more about Gala for Hope



Cross-Lines Values and Guiding Principles

Inclusion: Cross-Lines Community Outreach values and promotes an inclusive community where everyone feels welcomed and respected.

Learn more here: <https://www.cross-lines.org/who-we-are/our-values-and-principles.html>

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