The Salvation Army of Door County Service Extension

Number of employees:

All who serve in Door County are volunteers, with the exception of the employed Service Extension Field Representative. She holds quarterly board meetings in Door County and 10 other counties.

Number of volunteers:

Roughly 100 volunteers ring the bell in Door County each fall, six support people arrange for these ringers - placing and maintaining the equipment and collecting and depositing the ring proceeds, three volunteers process inquiries and write vouchers for assistance, and 7 regular board members attend quarterly meetings.

What is your Mission Statement?

Door County's Service Extension does not have a separate mission statement. The Service Extension's mission is to fulfill the second half of the Salvation Army's mission – "To meet (very basic emergency) human needs in Jesus' name without discrimination. The Salvation Army's full mission is to preach the gospel of Jesus Christ and to meet human needs in His name without discrimination.

What is the main source of your funding and what percent of your funding does that source provide?

The source of funding is from the fall bell-ringing campaign and other donations that are ear-marked for Door County by the donors. 86% of funds raised in Door County stay in Door County. The other 14% goes into a larger pot for emergency disaster relief and other programs sponsored by the Salvation Army.

What is the geographic scope of your services throughout Door County? Services are provided to those who apply and are vetted, throughout the whole of Door County.

Explanation of how you serve Door County including primary programs your organization offers to the community.

The DC Extension addresses emergency needs of disadvantaged Door County residents. The assistance includes rent, mortgage payments, utilities, food, gas, healthcare, transportation and emergency lodging. There is a hotline for potential clients to call for assistance. All clients are properly vetted. In addition, as funds permit, there may be special projects, which include providing winter outerwear (including snow pants, hats and mittens) to disadvantaged children), new gym shoes for needy children returning to school in the fall, and a Christmas program for low-income seniors over 65.

How would you define the impact your organization is making in Door County?

The Salvation Army Service Extension coordinates assistance efforts with a network, including law enforcement and several social service organizations to meet immediate and special needs of the community. With this network, those having critical urgent needs right here in Door County can be reached and assisted.

What is your annual budget?

Available funds vary from year to year, based on donations and bell-ringing proceeds. For this fiscal year, the budget is >\$80K.

If you were to receive a donation from 100+WWC, how would that donation be used?

The grant will be used to provide emergency services as described above, with primary focus on keeping people in their homes, especially during the winter months, and keeping lights and other utilities on. The secondary focus will be on supplying more children in need with winter outerwear and gym shoes in the summer and fall of 2024.