

PARTNERSHIP TYPES

Sponsor

Support the Cafe financially OR with donations of food and beverage (ask us for our current list of needs). Minimum pledge of support is \$200 a month or equivalent in donated goods or services. Sponsors also promote the cafe and its events.

Partner

Partners send us volunteers. Your volunteers can host open cafe hours, cook up an abundance with us on our cook days, represent the cafe at events like Pride, or assist with fundraisers. Minimum commitment is 20 volunteer hours per month. Ministry partners also promote the cafe and its events.

Supporter

Can't commit to either of the above? Not to worry! There are lots of other ways to support the cafe with smaller donations, smaller volunteer commitments, holding fundraisers for us, or even just visiting the cafe.

MIX & MATCH

Let's say you can't commit to 20 volunteer hours or \$200 a month, but you could commit \$80 and 12 volunteer hours? No problem! 1 volunteer hour = \$10 in sponsorship. Feel free to mix and match to meet your commitment.

IS THIS A HOMELESS DROP-IN CENTER?

No, while we hope the cafe reaches those who are food and housing insecure and provides for basic needs of hunger, thirst, escape from the heat or rain, and more, we have a much bigger vision for the cafe and hope it reaches a much wider group of people. Hunger for community cuts across divisions of race, age, gender, gender identity, socio-economic status, disability, sexual orientation and more. Our hope is that a recent widow, a middle-aged transplant, a queer teenager, or a recovering addict might find just as much of what they hunger for here.

In truth we aren't really seeking to be a charity at all. We want to be the type of community where the line between guest and host is permeable: where guests can easily become hosts and hosts become guests and all can find that for which they hunger.

Did you know?

The impact of loneliness on mortality is similar to that of smoking 15 cigarettes per day.



WHERE IS THE CAFE?

We are opening Beloved Community Cafe in a storefront at 1940 Central Avenue in the Grand Central District of St. Petersburg, Florida. We are excited to be in the heart of the city and have a Central Trolley stop right out front!

For more information
contact us:
pastor.goodsam@gmail.com
or
visit us at:
www.discovergoodsam.org/cafe

COME TO THE TABLE.
THERE'S A PLACE FOR YOU!



PARTNERSHIP
PROGRAM

WHAT IS BELOVED COMMUNITY CAFE?

We are creating an epicenter of Beloved Community in Pinellas County!

Beloved Community Cafe is a ministry of radical hospitality and community-building responding to issues of loneliness, isolation, food insecurity, addiction, marginalization, and more.

In short, it is a hosted cafe space where free leftovers, pay what you can food/beverages, love and conversation are shared and no one eats alone unless they want to.

Did you know?

57% of Americans eat all of their meals alone

NEEDS WE ADDRESS

Beloved Community Cafe seeks to address peoples' needs for...

Food

Refuge

Divine Connection

Belonging

Community

Justice

Connection

Recovery

Love

WHO STARTED THE CAFE?

Beloved Community Cafe is the dream of Good Samaritan Church and Recovery Epicenter Foundation. Both of us individually had a vision: a warm, welcoming spot where people could come together over food and build real community. Then we found each other—and the rest is history.

Now, we're teaming up to run the cafe. Recovery Epicenter Foundation will foster a recovery community and connect people to needed services. Good Samaritan will cultivate belonging, connecting people to community and spiritual care as well as opportunities for personal growth, service, and advocacy work. The cafe will also double as Good Samaritan's church home and host their table-based worship services on Sundays.

The partnership between us is blooming, but we see the cafe vision as bigger than just us. That's where you come in!

BECOMING A PARTNER

So, you've heard about Beloved Community Cafe and now you want to explore our partnership program? We are thrilled! Several churches and organizations have already committed to partner with us. So, you will be part of a growing family if you choose this partnership.

WHO DO WE WANT AS PARTNERS?

Our only requirement for our partners is that they be as committed as we are to creating a safe, loving, open, inclusive, affirming space of community for all people. We want the experience of all who step into the cafe to be one of love and affirmation without pressure or judgement. That is why we are intentionally seeking out progressive faith communities and organizations who share our values.

WHY PARTNER WITH US?

When you become a sponsor, partner, or supporter, you can claim Beloved Community Cafe and its impact as part of your organization's impact. It is always nice to say you are making a difference in the community!

If you are a local business or community organization, your contributions to our cafe can help build your brand as a socially responsible organization giving back to the community.

If you are a faith community, I imagine you have frequently talked about the need to get outside your church walls and be in the community. Beloved Community Cafe gives you just such a venue to do so! You will hear stories, make connections, and have experiences there that will fuel the rest of your ministry. Who knows? Someone you meet there may even ask if they can come visit your church!

COMMITMENT FORM

Organization Name: _____

Contact Email: _____

Contact Phone: _____

We want to become a...

- Sponsor**
(minimum \$200 per month)
- Partner**
(minimum 20 volunteer hours per month)
- Supporter**
(no minimum)
- Mix & Match Sponsor/Partner**

We commit

\$_____ per month
(or equivalent in donated goods)

_____ volunteer hours per month

PARTNERSHIP BENEFITS

Sponsors & Partners Receive:

- Quarterly Impact Reports
- Recognition in QI Reports
- Your Name on the Wall of the Cafe
- Your Name & Worship Hours or desired info. on Cafe Website
- Your brochure displayed in Cafe
- Your community-oriented events promoted on cafe website and bulletin board (up to 4 per year)

Supporters Receive:

- Quarterly Impact Reports
- Recognition in QI Reports