Why does the San Luis Valley need La Puente?



Homelessness

SLV Rate 10 x National Rate

Hunger



Don't have enough to eat.

Rural Geographic Expanse



Population Spread over of 47,000 8,000 miles

> An area larger than the state of Massachusetts



We Serve Because We Believe In



Dignity

We believe every human being is worthy of love, respect, & care without exception.



Community

We believe our neighbor is anyone in need. We are stronger together & should support one another.



Compassion

We believe that we all grow & change over time. We all need support & empathy when things go wrong.



We believe that security & opportunity should be available to all regardless of their circumstances.

The La Puente Family of Programs

Providing a Safety Net & Empowering People

Adelante Family Resource Center



A resource center providing strength, stability, and support so families can thrive. Adelante offers housing, case management, skills development, and resources to families in need of support throughout the entire SLV.

Food Bank Network



Striving to address the immediacy of hunger and access to nutritious food in our communities. A network of 15 food pantries provide nutritious emergency food to help ensure no one has to go to bed hungry in the SLV.

Outreach & Homeless Prevention Services



Working to support families and prevent homelessness by providing assistance with rent, mortgage, utility, energy, medical, and crisis expenses. Families get the assistance and support they need when they need it the most.

PALS Children's Program



A licensed day care for kids combating instability in their home lives. Children expand their horizons, develop emotional resilience and build positive adult relationships proving that positive activities lead to success.

Emergency Shelter



Providing a place to stay, food to eat, support, and a new hope for those experiencing crisis. All who enter the doors are treated as a guest, with hospitality as they navigate the road to stability and out of homelessness.

VEGI: Valley Educational Gardens Initiative Fighting hunger by sowing the seeds of education, nutrition, and community through connection with gardening. Students and community members also work together to provide fresh produce for community hunger relief efforts.

Rural Outreach Initiative



Rural Outreach connects isolated households living in underdeveloped & remote areas of the SLV to resources and a safety net. We work to ensure dignity for those seeking independence in harsh conditions.

Enterprises

Rainbow's End Thrift Stores, Hunt Ave. Boutique & Milagros Coffeehouse



Bolstering economic activity and a sense of community around the SLV while providing meaningful jobs for individuals. Five businesses share the values and mission of La Puente while generating income to support our programming.

Re-Threads Resource Center



A free community resource to ensure those living on limited incomes can access clothes, home-goods, toiletries, and other basic necessities. We connect individuals to what they need to make their house a home. Community Education & Volunteer Coordination



We seek to inspire others to compassion and action by educating about poverty, homelessness, & hunger. Service is the core of La Puente and we depend on hundreds of volunteers to support our work in many capacities.

We depend on the generosity of those who believe in our mission.

Please consider:

- Volunteering on an ongoing or one-time basis.
- Giving financially or donating material goods.
- Participating in an annual holiday/event, taking on a special project, or sharing your ideas.



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