Congregations around the world host CWS Blanket offerings to live out a mission to serve God’s people near and far, and that’s exactly how two congregations in Washington state became connected.

First Presbyterian Church of Everett has been hosting “Dinner at the Bell” for 18 years. This weekly event is for low-income families, veterans, homeless, people with addictions – any community members in need - all are welcome. Along with a hot meal, guests receive blankets and hygiene kits.

“A lot of places push homeless people away, and it is nice for churches to open their arms to help people,” said Amanda, a guest at “Dinner at the Bell.”

In the same city, only five miles away, Cascade View Presbyterian Church fundraises for the blanket ministry of CWS so that organizations and churches like First Presbyterian can serve those in need.

“We have a church that believes strongly in how God calls us to love and reach out,” says Pastor Luke Hyder of Cascade View Presbyterian. “We as a church want to make tangible differences for those in need.”

One church gives money so the other can give blankets, and together they give hope and a tangible reminder of God’s love.

Hope is powerful, especially in times like these. Will you answer the call to serve God’s people and give hope today?

Donate today to provide CWS Blankets to warm the hearts and hands of people in need. Scan this QR code or visit cwsblankets.org/bulletin to make a secure donation and learn more about your gift in action.

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“We love to reach out and help those locally but we also love to reach out to CWS who in turn reaches out to those around the world. And when you have that helpless feeling during these times, I can look at what CWS is doing and can say, ‘Hey, I can support that!’”

- REV. LUKE HYDER, CASCADE VIEW PRESBYTERIAN EVERETT, WASHINGTON

2020 was challenging, but congregations stepped up and provided **101,472** CWS Blankets and Kits to families impacted by the pandemic, hurricanes, tornadoes, flooding and other crises including homelessness and poverty.

Here’s how your gift helped in 2020:

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You can show God’s love and provide hope to your neighbors by making an online donation today at [cwsblankets.org/donate](http://cwsblankets.org/donate). Each $10 gift provides a blanket and enables someone to see and feel God’s love in their lives.

“And don’t forget to do good and share with those in need.”

— HEBREWS 13:16

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