



2026

Community of Hope Luncheon

TABLE HOST GUIDE

Hope. Dignity. Community.



COMMUNITY OF HOPE LUNCHEON



Thursday, October 29th

12-1:00 p.m.

Thank you for hosting a table at the
2026 Community of Hope Luncheon!!

This annual event brings the community together to care for Seattle's most vulnerable by celebrating the critical life-saving work Immanuel Community Services provides. You and your guests will meet some of the people ICS serves, hear their stories and enjoy a delicious lunch with neighbors and friends.

Your Role Matters

Table hosts are the heart of the Community of Hope Luncheon. You invite guests and fill the room with people who care about community and want to learn how to help.

Your presence sets the tone for a gathering rooted in compassion, community and hope. You don't need to be an expert on ICS — you simply need to be warm, attentive and ready to share why this work matters to you.

This packet contains all the tools you need to host a table, including instructions on how to register your table and information about ICS. See last page for a sample email or letter you can use to invite your guests!

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WHEN:

Thursday, October 29th

WHERE:

Parkview Event Space

200 - 8th Ave. N.

Seattle, WA 98109

Limited parking available in garage.

**SCHEDULE
of DAY:**

11am - Doors Open, Coffee Hour

12pm - Program & Lunch

1pm - Program Ends



TABLE HOST CHECKLIST

BEFORE THE LUNCHEON

- Make a list of friends, family, co-workers, neighbors and colleagues that you would like to invite to know more about ICS.
- Invite guests to fill your eight-seat table.
 - Let your guests know that this is a fundraiser. There is no cost to attend but there will be an opportunity to give during the event.
 - If someone you invite is unable to attend, please invite them to make a gift.
- Register your table at: <https://bit.ly/ICSHOPE2026> or using the QR code.
 - Select "Table Registration"
 - Names and emails of your guests are required.
- ***Please register all guests by October 23rd.***

WEEK OF LUNCHEON - October 22 - 27

- Check-in with your guests to remind them of the event and relay any outstanding event details.
- If you have any cancelations, please invite others to fill their seats.
- Please notify the ICS office with any changes at hope@icsseattle.org.

DAY OF LUNCHEON

- **Please arrive at 11:00am** to check-in, collect the Table Host Packet and be at your table to greet & visit with your guests as they arrive.
 - **Coffee Hour:** There will be a coffee cart provided by Creature Coffee Company serving coffee drinks 11am-12pm;
- **During the program:** When prompted from the stage, please hand out the pledge cards to your table guests.
- **At the end of the program,** please collect any completed pledges, place in your Table Host envelope and turn-in to an ICS Board/Staff member as you leave.

AFTER THE LUNCHEON

- Please follow-up with your guests to thank them for attending the luncheon and supporting ICS.
- If they have any questions or would like to know more about ICS, volunteer or make a different gift. Please let Shawna know and she will follow-up.



ABOUT ICS



over 20,000
people served
per year with
care, coffee &
kindness

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ICS strives to build relationships and be a place where people can become connected and involved, working together, side-by-side, to maintain dignity, rekindle hope and create a community of belonging.



300,000lbs of
food distributed/yr

SLU Food Bank at ICS

The SLU Food Bank provides healthy food each week, without restriction, to anyone needing help putting food on their table. Home Delivery ensures that neighbors who cannot visit in person still have access to food.



8,000 showers
per year

Dave's Day Center at ICS

Dave's Day Center offers showers, laundry, two meals and respite from the outdoors for a few hours each day to our neighbors experiencing homelessness. Guests find a warm, dry and safe place where they are treated with dignity, get connected to services and begin imagine a life outside of homelessness.



4,500 nights of
shelter per year

ICS Recovery Shelter

The ICS Recovery Shelter provides a safe, supportive, sober living environment for 15 men participating in Intensive Outpatient Treatment working to overcome addiction to drugs/alcohol.



33,000 meals served
each year

ICS Community Lunch & Meal Program

On the last Sunday of each month, the ICS Community Lunch serves anyone needing a healthy meal and friendly conversation. Lunch is served at the end of the month, when many of our neighbors find money is a little tight and they need helping putting food on the table.

Our mission is to alleviate the effects of poverty, hunger, homelessness and addiction by providing community-based social services to those in need.



SAMPLE EMAIL INVITATION



Dear Friend,

I am excited to host a table at the 2026 ICS Community of Hope Luncheon and would like to invite you to join me at my table.

ICS provides basic human survival services to people in our community struggling to survive. They serve over 20,000 people per year, through four programs:

- SLU Food Bank at ICS
- Dave's Day Center at ICS
- ICS Recovery Shelter
- ICS Community Lunch & Meal Program.

(Share your personal connection with ICS and reasons for supporting.)

The luncheon will take place on **Thursday, October 29th at 12-1pm** at the beautiful **Parkview Event Space** in SLU (200 - 8th Ave. N, Seattle, WA 98109).

Registration & Coffee Hour begin at 11am with the Creature Coffee cart.

While there is no cost to attend, there will be an opportunity to give. This is ICS's biggest fundraiser and it has been a very difficult year. All money raised will ensure that ICS programs and services will continue to care for your neighbors experiencing hunger and homelessness.

I hope you will join me!!

FAQ!

ICS can accept:

- Donations via Check, Cash, Credit Card
 - There is no credit card processing fee if using the QR code at the table, pledge cards or <https://bit.ly/ICSHOPE2026>
- Legacy/Estate Gifts
- Donor Advised Funds (DAF)
- Qualified Charitable Distributions (Required Minimum Distributions)
- **NEW: ICS can now accept donations of stocks!**

Email hope@icsseattle.org for more info!

