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Produce still welcome!

Do you have such a green thumb that your garden is over-flowing with vegetables? Are your neighbors avoiding you because they don't need any more zucchini? Are even the squirrels tired of tomatoes? Well, never fear! We are ready to take all your extra veggies off your hands. We welcome your donations and so will the families we help. But, before coming, please phone first to make sure we're here to accept our donation.

Welcome 2 new Board Members: We'd like to welcome **Don Wilson** and **Caudiest (CD) Daniels** to the Board of Operation Blessing.

Don is a commercial construction consultant who has recently retired from working with the Illinois Tollway. Besides joining our Board, he has also become an elder at the Orland Park Christian Reformed Church. So he is already keeping himself pretty busy. Don has traveled the country on his Honda Goldwing motorcycle, and continues to do so, which probably makes him a pretty cool Grandpa to his granddaughter.

Caudiest has been a volunteer working in our pantry for about a year. Before that, he worked as an Aircraft Security Inspector, working with the TSA in Las Vegas. While there, he also worked with the homeless, helping with food, providing services, and biblical materials for them. With 5 grand kids and 9 (!) great-grand kids, he is kept pretty busy.

Save the date: Coming in November, our annual Pancake Brunch and Bake Sale fund raiser! We hope to see you at Moraine Valley Church on Saturday, November 15th for "all you can eat pancakes (including gluten free), and sausage. Help support Operation Blessing and enjoy a great breakfast with family and friends.

Farewell and Best Wishes We are sad to say good-bye to two of our volunteers: **Nancy Spaulding** and **Skip Vogel**. Life is always changing, and our paths lead in new directions. Nancy has been working with us since 2017. She has helped in registering people into our computer system and has gotten to know many of the families who come in regularly. She has also kept up our mailing list and stuffed our newsletters for mailing each month. Skip has worked with us for many years as an "interviewer". She helps the clients fill out forms and that gives her an opportunity to talk with them, offer to pray with them, and share the Bible. We are sad to lose them both, but wish them continued blessings as they go on to new things.

If you have spare time, and want to serve the Lord with us, please email us at support@opblessing.org.



Be sure to state that you are interested in volunteering, or call us at 708-597-6326, leave a message, and we will get back to you as soon as possible. Thank you.

August Statistics

Heads of Households	725
Individuals	2161
Prayed with	654
Professions of Faith	6

Mike Will, Secretary; Marsha Jakobi, Treasurer; Don Cyze, Director; Brian Cottrell, Operations Manager

Operation Blessing of Southwest Chicagoland is a 501(c)3 not-for-profit charitable organization

RUMMAGE SALE



GREAT DEALS!

To benefit Operation Blessing

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Saturday, Sept 27th

9am to 3pm