

NEWS + UPDATES
Winter 2026

Board Member Robert Stewart Invites Others to Get Involved

Stepping Up for Our Community

Robert Stewart was first introduced to Love INC at a banquet gathering as a guest of Roger Scott in 2010. After learning more about the mission, he decided to **step up and get involved**. Robert says, "I saw the need in the community. There were people out there that had nothing at all, not even a chair in their apartment." Robert volunteered to deliver furniture in DeKalb and Sycamore. He had a pickup truck that he used to gather furniture from people he knew, and then he would deliver it to clients of Love INC. "Providing someone with furniture or a cup of water **does more than fill a short-term need**," said Robert. "It gives us the opportunity to show them we care."

Robert's connection to the community began in the 1970's when he planted a local church in DeKalb. From the beginning, he made efforts to reach out to people in the community to help with both physical and spiritual needs. He continued to serve the community in different capacities throughout the years. From serving as a chaplain with the DeKalb County Sheriff's Office to working in the medical field as an EMS paramedic, Robert has spent decades walking alongside people in difficult and traumatic situations. He draws on this experience to help Love INC clients.

Robert says that clients initially come to Love INC in search of help with a short-term physical need. He says this is much like the story of Jesus and the woman at the well. The woman came to the well because she needed water, but Jesus offered more than just water. He ministered to her spiritual needs. In the same way, **Love INC cares about our client's greater needs**. Sometimes that means showing clients how they are responsible for the decisions they make. Robert says, "It takes a **very soft touch**. They don't need to hear a sermon about what they're doing wrong. But they need to be pointed in the right direction. Sometimes that means connecting them with a church where they can get help with their spiritual needs."

Being part of the mission at Love INC has allowed Robert to see people grow, both clients and volunteers. Robert explains, "Even people who simply donate furniture and goods to Love INC have been blessed by it. I would sometimes return to the donors to tell them that I took their furniture to a family who had absolutely nothing in their home. The donors would often respond with sincere gratitude when they realized the great impact that their gift had on others."

Robert has had the opportunity to serve at Love INC in different ways

over the years. While he is no longer able to do strenuous work like picking up and delivering furniture, he helps direct the mission by serving on Love INC's board.

The role of the board is critical for the ongoing success of Love INC, and Robert feels that there is a need for additional qualified men and women to serve on the board. "We need people with business and technology experience, to help us move forward." The board leads the organization forward, driving support from the community and partner churches. **"We need new leaders to use their gifts to attract others and to steer progress** for the future," explains Robert. "Love INC may be the channel for you to use your God-given talents. Helping others and giving people a cup of cold water in Jesus' name brings glory to God, and that is why we do it."



Robert Stewart helps guide Love INC's mission by serving on its Board

Items in Need

Furniture

- Beds
- Dining Tables
- Dressers
- Loveseats

Office Supplies

- Copy Paper
- Pens, Post-Its
- Working Color Printer
- Staples & Folders
- Cleaning supplies

Give to Love INC

Donations can be mailed to:

Love INC DeKalb County
PO BOX 172, Sycamore, IL 60178



Give online by scanning the QR code, or by visiting loveofdekalbcounty.org

2026 Love INC Board Members

Nathan Scott, Executive Director

Amy Alsup, Bethany Road Bible Church

Robert Stewart, Bethany Road Bible Church

Lauri Hillman, New Hope Missionary Baptist

Scott Sisler, Hillcrest Covenant Church

Tom Scott, Bethany Road Bible Church

Gap Ministries - Dining Tables & Loveseats

Dining room tables are one of our client's most requested items. In 2025, we coordinated the delivery of 63 dining tables along with their chairs. Dining tables often become the central point of a home, enabling families to sit together, do homework, play games, and eat. Without a table in the home, it is more difficult for the family to grow together. Sometimes they will make do with whatever they can, just so they have some place to eat together. In one case last year, we delivered table and chairs to a family using a cardboard box as their dining table. The whole family was thankful to receive the upgrade, and it is only possible through donations and volunteers to coordinate and do the work.



Loveseats are another item that can be hard for a family to obtain, but are important for the family to relax together and not have to sit on the floor. In order for us to accept furniture like loveseats, it must be in good condition, free of rips, stains, and odors. Last year, we distributed 57 couches.



Donations to these ministries are greatly appreciated and help us work toward our goal of transforming lives in the name of Christ. To donate you can email us loveincdk@gmail.com or call us at 815-517-1928.

Roger Scott Memorial Golf Outing for Love INC.



Save the Date! On Thursday, **July 23, 2026**, friends and family of the late Sheriff Roger Scott will host a Golf Outing at River Heights Golf Course in DeKalb. All proceeds from the tournament will benefit Love INC of DeKalb County. We will need several volunteers to help host the tournament, recruit golfers, and contact potential sponsors. Plans for the day include a morning coffee, a silent auction, lunch, a 50-50 raffle & more! Non-golfers are welcome to join with us for a special day! For information on volunteering, sponsoring, or registering please call or text Dan Scott at 574-221-0974, or reach out by email to dan@rogerscottgolf.com



Event details and online registration available at RogerScottGolf.com



A Love INC Story Caring For Our Neighbors

We recently received a card in the mail. It came from a family that we had helped. The note read:

"The things you brought have really helped my kids as they are more relaxed and have better behavior. Thank you for the many things that were given that have made a big difference."

Volunteers delivered beds, dining table, dressers, lamps, kitchen items, living room furniture, and pillows to help this family restart. Just as important was the positive interaction between our volunteers and the family & the love we shared when dropping off items.

Volunteers Needed

Can you help us?

- **Intake Volunteers** - Answer client calls and gather details about their needs. Training provided. Flexible schedules based on your availability. We could use the help of 2-3 people.
- **Delivery** - Volunteers needed to deliver items to clients. Deliveries are often done on Saturday mornings.



Thank you!

- **Bethany Road Bible Church** for hosting a hat and glove drive
- **First United Methodist Church Women's Circle** for letting us share about Love INC & for coordinating a winter glove collection
- **Bethel Assembly of God** for caring for babies and families and providing diapers and baby goods
- **Pat McKinley** for her faithful service in our office as an Intake Specialist since 2010

Contact Us

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