

# Inter-Church ARMS

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Arvada  
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Service

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**TO: Priscilla Corsi @ Rocky Mountain Conference UCC**  
**FROM: Ivy Malden, Executive Director**  
**Inter-Church ARMS - 303-456-4892**  
**RE: Requested Report to Rocky Mountain Conference United Church of Christ**

**Inter-Church Arvada Resource for Ministry and Service (ARMS) is a 33-year-old nonprofit, ecumenical coalition of 14 local churches involved in service to the underprivileged in NE Jefferson and NW Adams Counties, Colorado. Our organization was founded by members of First United Church of Arvada. Today, more than 200 volunteers - most of whom are retirees - staff our free community-service programs.**

**During 2007, the ARMS Emergency Service Program expended approximately \$155,000.00 in direct financial aid, counseling and in-kind donations. These funds were used to pay grocery, rent, utility, and medical bills (including dental and vision) for more than 2,000 people in need. Approximately one-third of those served through this program were children under the age of 18. The ARMS Literacy Education Program recruited, trained and matched volunteers with elementary students who were struggling to improve their reading skills. This program serves an annual average of approximately 300 students each year. The ARMS Medical Needs Program provided financial aid and other long-term assistance for those suffering with chronic illnesses. During 2007, this program realized a dramatic increase in the number of persons seeking aid to pay for medications to treat asthma. The Rocky Mountain Conference UCC donation was of special benefit in providing service to this increasing segment of the population.**

**Our agency provided food, shelter, medicine, educational opportunities and resource and referral information for approximately than 3,340 individuals during 2007. The Rocky Mountain Conference UCC donation was key to the success of this outreach to our neighbors in need. Thank you for your support.**