

SOUTH SOUND DREAM CENTER

NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER 2011

OUR COMMUNITY. OUR FAMILIES. OUR PASSION.

October, a time of growth and expansion at SSDC

It has been so awesome for me to watch SSDC grow and October was no exception. Mars Hill, one of our newer groups has taken on a portion of Camelot Square, as their Adopt A Block, that we have never been able to reach. Already they are coming back excited about the friendships that are starting to build and how they are starting to pray for these people during the week.

Along with the new groups we have groups that have been coming for more than a year such as Neighborhood Chapel. Every time I talk to Scottie, the leader of the group, I hear how there is such an influx of new people coming to their church. Families are getting saved and naturally gravitating to the church that is reaching out to them. We also are excited that Cornerstone Church has opened their fellowship hall for us on Saturday mornings, to come make lunches and bags of groceries for our Federal Way outreaches. I have had a chance to get to know Pastor John Legas and have found him to be a wonderful man of God with a real passion for what we do.

This month we had our first Federal Way Drop-In Center at our new location, New Hope. They have a bigger hall with more room to spread out and a wonderful kitchen for our staff to serve the meals from. I want to thank Rick, his wife Eileen and the church leaders for opening up their facility to us every Wednesday! I am so proud of the teens who graduated this month from our Dream 2 Reality gang intervention program. Since March, we have had 17 graduate and several have come to know Christ as their personal savior.

We are so thankful to all who give on a regular basis. For those who would like to help support all the great things that God is doing at SSDC we now have online giving. Simply go to our website where you can give a one time gift, or you can choose to give monthly and have the payment be made automatically. I hope many of you will consider this. Any amount will be greatly appreciated. At the LA Dream Center, I remember being impacted by seeing page after page of people who gave \$10 a month. Thank you for your support.

Thanks again to everyone who makes SSDC possible.

Rick Cameron
Executive Director



UPCOMING EVENTS PG. 2



SSDC BOARD MEMBERS PG. 3



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED PG. 5

UPCOMING EVENTS & NEWS

Checkout SSDC's **NEW** website
at www.ssdreamcenter.org



South Sound Dream Center's annual
Thanksgiving Dinner outreach

Tuesday, November 22nd
Grace Community Church
5:00p.m.

Federal Way Adopt-a-Block has moved to:

Cornerstone Baptist Church on Saturdays at 9am.
25030 Military Rd. S. Kent, WA 98032



Orientation for
NEW volunteers:

Saturday, November 12th
9:00am

At: Cornerstone Baptist Church
25030 Military Rd. S. Kent, WA 98032

SSDC is in NEED of supplies:

- Blankets
- Rain/cold weather wear
- Peanut Butter & Jelly
- 5 New Computers for our Drop-in-Center
- 1 New laptop for our Executive Director
- 1 Portable PA System for our Metro Kidz
- Hygiene Kits
- Razors
- Diapers
- Kid friendly snacks
- Batteries
- Canned Foods
- Christmas Toys



Spotlight SSDC Board Members

I wanted to become a SSDC board member because I wanted to work with a great group of people and a great organization serving our glorious Lord.

I see SSDC being able to hopefully, touch more lives and hearts in the future.....

- Cynthia Stewart



I wanted to become a SSDC board member because I believe that the church is the answer for the needs of the hurting and wounded. The SSDC brings together the body of Christ to help meet the needs of those in need and I wanted to be a part of extended Christ to my community.

I see the SSDC being able to bring the body of Christ together in unity in a way that we seldom see. The powerful thing about the organization is that it is a way for us to gather together despite our theological differences and reach into the community. So often unbelievers get caught in our doctrine wars and are so confused about what we are arguing about that they choose to stay away from "church." I am excited about seeing the SSDC be an agent to fulfill the words of Christ in John 13:35; "By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another." It is the unity that will draw people to the church. Not only unity for the sake of unity but the kind of coming together that operates together to reach out to the hopeless, hungry, oppressed, etc.

- Tiffany Washington



OCTOBER OUTREACH REPORTS:

SSDC SERVED A TOTAL OF 1,094 PEOPLE THIS MONTH WITH 208 VOLUNTEERS

Drop-in-Center:

- Served 490 people over 12 different days (approximately 40 different people served each day)
- 107 Volunteers (8 per day)
- 17 People received prayer

10/22/11

“It was a fun day at the Dream Center today. There was a great group of people telling jokes and laughing and it was a happy environment to be in. Everyone sang Happy Birthday to a young lady that turned 14 today and we served ice cream to celebrate. One of the homeless men that signed up to be a volunteer a couple weeks ago went to the Volunteer Orientation in the morning and he came back and said he didn't really want to go, but that it was really interesting and he was so glad he went. Good job Kara! We had three Street Deacon Volunteers today. One of them showed us their schedule of responsibilities and he was proudly telling us how they are called “Street Deacons”. They were a wonderful support and helped to make things run smoothly. It's a beautiful thing to watch the people we are there to serve feel at home at the Dream Center and want to help out. One homeless man helped a man in a wheelchair use the restroom. He also organized the clothing donations. One homeless woman was so thankful to do her laundry she pitched in and wiped down the computer area. Here is an example of how God provides, not only were we blessed with donations of eggs, orange juice,

fresh fruit, milk and cereal to go with our pancakes and breakfast casserole, but someone asked me for dental floss and we didn't have any, just a bit later a woman shows up with some donations and what did she include...dental floss. God is so awesome!”

Homeless Outreaches

- Served 180 people over 2 different days (approximately 90 different people served each day).
- 47 people received prayer.
- 11 volunteers (5 per day).

10/05/11

“We made 80 meat sandwiches and 80 peanut butter and jelly ones. There were only a few of us which made the work take a longer time but I noticed it was a lot more fun and beneficial for my team, we connected on a more intimate serving level. Great Saturday!”

Adopt-a-Block

- Served 424 people over 7 different days (approximately 60 different people served each day)
- 54 Volunteers (10 per day)
- 121 People received prayer.

10/18/11

“It was a great day at Camelot Square. It was Mars

Hill's second time out so they were very excited to get back to the people they went to the last time and continue building relationships. At the end, several came up to me all excited that people were starting to open up already. They are off to a good start and very excited to see what God is doing. Then, I had another group called Dream Girls from CFC. This is a teen group and at first were afraid of going door to door but then were amazed at how God used them. They got to pray with one woman who broke down into tears and fell into one of the leaders arms as she poured out her heart. This is really Christianity as it was meant to be, taking what we have been given and taking it out to those who need it.”

10/08/11

“This was the first time Christian Faith Center came to Cornerstone to pack up groceries. They helped finish sandwiches for the other group. We had a ton of really great food to give away! We have been praying for more quality food to give away. We needed more basic staples, cereals, can goods, etc. We have been so blessed by the great donations we are getting. We talked to so many people today it was fantastic. We were able to pray for a mom who is sick and for some people who need more work. One person was so surprised that he wanted us to take some donations from his pantry. Totally awesome!”

Want to get Involved in SSDC?

We now have several opportunities that are in need of
Volunteers & Leaders.

- People to Adopt-a-Family for Christmas
- Consistent Volunteers for our Drop-in-Center's.
- Core Leader: Federal Way Adopt-a-Block.
- Core Leader: Auburn Adopt-a-Block.
- Consistent Volunteers for Saturday Auburn Drop-in-Center.
- Organize Donation pick ups.
- Organize Fundraisers.
- Photographer.
- Clean the SSDC offices (weekly).
- Assist with administrative duties (weekly).
- Tutor for 30 minutes a week at Gildo Rey elementary school.

If you are interested or know anyone that would be interested please contact:

Natalie Robles: Program Assistant
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Have a suggestion, idea or story for the SSDC Monthly Newsletter?

Natalie@ssdreamcenter.org

- \$150 per month provides for five youth through our Metro Kidz Outreach
- \$50 per month will feed two families a week through our Adopt-a-Block Outreach
- \$30 per month will feed three people at our Drop-in-Center

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