

SOUTH SOUND DREAM CENTER

FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER 2012

OUR COMMUNITY. OUR FAMILIES. OUR PASSION.

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SEE A NEED

AND MEET IT ...



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STREET DEACONS:

SSDC HEADQUARTERS



We have had three incredible homeless men help the South Sound Dream Center over the past five years (Kevin, Sean and Steve). Through their efforts we've seen that their role has been an essential part to making the SSDC a success. In the last three months we have asked them to step up their role and they have not only risen to the challenge but they have exceeded our expectations. We now call them our Street Deacons. They run our Thursday Drop-in-Center, assist us with our Tuesday and Saturday Drop-in-Centers and assist with multiple needs around our facility. Their actions have challenged many other homeless individuals to help the SSDC serve others.

When asked what the SSDC means to them their response is "It has given us hope, a sense of purpose, a place to give back to the community and has made us begin to look at ourselves in a new light; that we do have value, and that we are needed." When they first came to the SSDC it was for a meal; now they are advocates to the homeless community helping those who are new to homelessness, and bridging the gap between SSDC and those in need. "When we came to the SSDC 5 years ago we were shown true compassion, love and humanity. We want to give that back, be people who contribute to society and help others the way we have been helped." Their contribution to SSDC and the Auburn homeless community has been immense, they have helped restore hope to our community.

UPCOMING EVENTS & NEWS

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

Thank You to Our **Consistent** Amazing Volunteer Groups:

- DSHS
- Christian Faith Center
- Grace Community Church
- High Pointe
- Mars Hill
- Neighborhood Chapel
- New Hope
- Northwest Church
- The Exit Youth Group, Lifegate Church
- United NW

WE 
VOLUNTEERS

HELLO
my name is

Orientation for
NEW volunteers:

Saturday, February 11th
9:30 - 10:30 am

At: Grace Community Church
1320 Auburn Way S, Auburn, WA 98002 (room B62)

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
- Canned Foods
- Hygiene Kits
- Razors
- Diapers
- Kid friendly snacks
- Batteries
- Hygiene Packs
- Backpacks
- Duffle bags



South Sound Dream Center: Donor Recognition

Individual Donors:

- First United Methodist
- Gene & Lorraine Ziemke
- Gerald & Carol Logan
- James & Melissa Pallanes
- Joseph & Lynn Hoff
- Joyce Andresen
- Judy Sizemore
- Kevin Thomas
- Larry & Susan Kaler
- Lori Baxter
- Tiffany Washington
- Wade Sackett
- Walt & Linda Drechsler

Assisting Sponsors:

- \$600 - Overcomer Covenant Church
- \$500 - JM Jansen
- \$500 - Nichols Trucking
- \$500 - Walmart
- \$400 - Faith and Victory

Supporting Sponsors:

- \$1,400 - Kimberly Ruiz
- \$1,200 - Kevin Thomas
- \$1,200 - Eva Boding
- \$1,000 - Federal Way Windermere

DONOR SPONSORSHIP LEVELS

PREMIER SPONSORS: \$5,000

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LEAD SPONSORS: \$2,500

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SUPPORTING SPONSORS: \$1,000

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ASSISTING SPONSORS: \$500

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JANUARY OUTREACH REPORTS:

SERVED 812 PEOPLE

Drop-in-Center:

- Served 311 people over 9 different days (approximately 34 different people served each day)
- 71 Volunteers (7 per day)
- 33 People took a shower
- 8 People utilized the washing machine & dryer
- 55 People utilized the computers
- 10 People received prayer

1/15/12

“At the Dream Center today, I asked if anyone would like to share something they are grateful for. One homeless man said he was grateful his problems “were never too big”; he said has “always been able to find a solution”. Another man said he was grateful for “chances”. And another said he was grateful for a program that set him up with counseling and an apartment, he was grateful for his current Mental Health Counselor because she stuck with him and really listens. (He’s working thru issues that stem from his military service.) Sharing what we were grateful for really set a nice mood for the day. The Auburn Food Bank dropped by with some wonderful, needed food donations. We had several lunches left over (not as big a turn out this Saturday compared to the last couple of 2nd Saturdays), so we took some over to Goodwill and the workers were very happy. We took the rest over to some homeless that were in front of the Kent library...they were very grateful. It was a good day!”

- James & Melissa

Adopt-a-Block:

- Served 501 people over 83 different days (approximately 71 different people served each day)
- 530 grocery bags were delivered
- 65 Volunteers (10 per day)
- 90 People received prayer.

1/14/12

“It was a very rainy cold day but I was amazed at how much the teens opened up and reached out to pray for the people they talked to. The teens from Lifegate Church really know how to open up and pour out the love of God. I had several positive comments from the people that we delivered groceries to. It was a very good day despite the weather!”

- Rick Cameron

1/11/12

“We were able to talk with some about Jesus. They are open to us starting a Bible study in their neighborhood.”

- Pastor Micah Know

Want to get Involved in SSDC?

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

- Prayer Warriors
- Someone to cut hair on Tuesdays, Thursdays or Saturdays.
- 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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Do you have FACEBOOK?

“Like” our new SOUTH SOUND DREAM CENTER Facebook page!

Stay connected and be the first to know about upcoming events, pictures & more!

Have a suggestion, idea or story for the SSDC Monthly Newsletter?

Email:

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- \$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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