# Newsletter

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\$3,000==>First,/last rent and security deposit for a family to move into long-term affordable housing. \$500==>One week in our emergency shelter for a mom and 2 children. \$100==>School activity fees for a teen staying in our shelter.

\$50==>One hour of therapy for a woman healing from trauma.



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### 8th Annual Benefit Golf Tournament Not Just Fundraising—FUN Too! You Helped Raise \$18,000 This Year!

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Co-Chairs Myron Vogt and Barbara Berthiaume, many other Boeing Bluebills Volunteers, Major Sponsors, Tee Sign Advertisers, Raffle and Goodie Bag Contributors, and Players all create a fun day, a successful fundraiser, and a lively evening each year at Port Ludlow Golf Course and The Bay Club.









Lots of happy raffle winners!



Another delicious meal by volunteers Gary Caven and Pat Page

### Courage, Hard Work AND Your Support Lead to Safe, Healthy and Independent Lives

We want to share with you a brief story about a young woman who stayed in our shelter for several months this last year. She had left a home where there was family violence. Her family was not able to provide the guidance and encouragement that young adults need in order to build self-esteem and constructive habits and envision a better life.

She began working with her advocate on learning about living on her own and being responsible for her own finances and well-being. When she expressed a desire to find employment and earn her GED, her advocate went with her to explore potential work places and meet with a GED advisor. She was hired locally and enrolled in GED classes. Support from Dove House covered the costs of work clothes and GED tests fees. (continued pg. 2)

## **Programs & Services at Dove House**



# **Recovery Café Update**

Thanks to the \$10,000 donation from Beth Lorber and Peter Bonyun, we met the Recovery Café Grant Network grant match. Goodman Sanitation has donated a comfort station for the duration of the remodel project. Wells Fargo gave us a \$5,000 grant and several of their local employees joined us at a volunteer day in August. Carl's Building Supply donated \$1,300 in materials for the remodel. Work on the remodel continues with the help of volunteers.

We couldn't be getting Recovery Café up and ready for the hoped-for opening in January without the help from our community!

There is a weekly Wellbriety Meeting at the Café each Friday from 7:00-8:00 p.m.

If you are interested in volunteering, there is an up-to-date calendar at <u>recoverycafejc.org</u>. Please call Brian Richardson 360-385-5292 or email brianr@dovehousejc.org with any questions and offers of support.

### **Dove House Invites Holiday Sponsors**

Each Holiday Season, Dove House aims to provide our clients with a wonderful holiday

experience, despite whatever trauma they have endured. Our annual Holiday Sponsorship Program is one of the valued ways that we partner with our community. When our neighbors expresses their caring through sponsoring a family, our clients are inspired to regain a sense of hope and trust: essential ingredients for a healthy, stable and meaningful life. Together we can help create positive holiday memories for some of our most vulnerable neighbors. We greatly appreciate all of the sponsors from the past several years who have brought warmth, joy and new experiences to so many people. Whether you



sponsor an individual, a child, or a family, it is an important contribution. If you are interested in supporting this effort in any way, please give us a call at Dove House 360-385-5292.

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During her journey, her advocate spent time informally with her - out for coffee, over dinner, and exploring ways to remain inspired to keep working toward her goals. She and her advocate toured the community college campus where she plans to enroll in classes and went together to the bank where she opened her first bank account.



We know how important it can be for youth to experience more immediate rewards as they struggle to overcome barriers and Dove House was able to provide this client with some incentives. When we talk with our many generous local supporters about what a difference your contributions are making in the lives of our clients and their children, this is an example of what we are talking about. Informal time with her advocate and receiving gift cards to celebrate each GED test helped this client to feel that she is valued and that life can be joyful and rewarding.

After successfully holding her job for more than 6 months and passing all

of her GED tests, this young woman found long-term affordable housing and financed the first and last month's rent and security deposit with her own savings.

We admire this young woman's courage, perseverance, and achievements.

Thank you to the Dove House family of donors for the support you provide.

### Special Thanks for Recent and Ongoing Donations and Support Republican Women of Jefferson County Evergreen Coho Skp Park Port Ludlow Garden Club Pane d'Amore Artisan Bakery Local Financial Contributors City of Port Townsend Worldmark By Windham Jefferson Healthcare Population Health Team and Inpatient Services & Case Management Bainbridge Rotary Club Hilltop Tavern and everyone who came out for BINGO Port Townsend High School Interact Club Eaglemount Wine and Cider and the businesses that contributed auction items



#### **Domestic Violence Action Month Event**

Join us at the Cotton Building

on Halloween evening, October 31st from 4-7 p.m.

activities promoting family engagement and healthy relationships

There will be Halloween treats including hot apple cider



Linda Sullivan was inspired to volunteer at Dove House after a friend died last year. She has become an important support person with our database, writes thank you cards, and organizes in-kind donations. Through her volunteer work, Linda wants to support women who are seeking safety and rebuilding healthy lives. We're so glad you are on the team, Linda!



Marlene Colvin. About a year ago, Marlene asked "do you need any help at Dove House?" and since then she has become someone we depend on to do a variety of back-office support tasks each week. Her efficiency and quick understanding of our donations system has helped our office run smoothly. Marlene is a long-time member and volunteer at Trinity United Methodist Church, one of Dove House's important community partners. Thanks for your amazing help, Marlene!

Dove House is always seeking new volunteers Call or email us for more information.



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#### Announcing the Susan Shelton Memorial Little Free Pantry & Garden



Recognizing that many of our neighbors need food and other necessities outside of the usual food bank and other social service hours, Dove House created the "Little Free Pantry." The Pantry invites our neighbors to "give what you can and take what you need." Jefferson Healthcare employees have been keeping the Pantry stocked.

The Pantry is made possible with the support of the family of Susan Shelton, Mike Porter, Gaiaceous Gardens, Hope Roofing, Olympic Equipment Rental, Fred Spann, and Secret Gardens, and Jefferson Healthcare Foundation

The Pantry is dedicated to the memory of Susan Shelton, a Dove House supporter who loved gardens. If your group is interested in "adopting" the pantry for a month, please call us at Dove House.

#### Dove House's Ongoing Wish List

- Gift cards for grocery stores and gas stations
- Used smartphones/iphones
- DVD movies and TV series (new/used)
- Women's deodorant-new, unused only
- New women's and children's undergarments and socks
- Oral hygiene supplies all ages: toothbrushes (1 per package), toothpaste, floss
- Combs and hairbrushes
- New razors for women
- Unopened packaged/non-perishable foods, including child-friendly snacks

If you can donate any of these items, please drop by Monday-Friday 9:00-Noon & 1:00-4:00 or contact Alan at our front desk 360-385-5292.