

SNOWCAP NEWS OCTOBER 2019

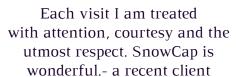
SnowCap Back to School Program

232 Students Served 2019

157 Students Served 2018

We helped more kids this year get ready for school!

SnowCap feeds minds and bodies





They Will Always Remember How We Made Them Feel

As Team SnowCap finalized preparations for our Back to School event in August, many of you called and emailed to ask how you could help. One particular phone call stood out from the rest. A supporter named Carlos said that he had heard we were collecting school supplies and wanted to help. When he called a 2nd time to verify he was purchasing the most needed items, he said something that gets to the heart of everything SnowCap stands for:

"When I was a kid, we needed help and my mom used to take me to SnowCap. I remember being treated so nicely by the volunteers. Now that I'm able to give back to my community, SnowCap came right to my mind."

As the volunteers helped students select outfits, school supplies and backpacks, I had a fresh perspective. Watching the faces of happy parents with their kids and smiling volunteers, it was clear that SnowCap is a place that offers more than good food and clothes. SnowCap is a place where encouragement and warm welcomes nourishes everyone who visits. I know that there are many among us who feel the same as Carlos.

Will you help continue the tradition of a caring community this year?

I invite you to be part of SnowCap's compassionate community. I have included a list of ways to connect and support SnowCap's efforts to make our corner of the world a kinder place. From fundraisers to Christmas toys and turkeys, to warm clothing and volunteer opportunities, I hope you will include SnowCap in your holiday celebrations.

Kirsten Wageman Kirsten Wageman Executive Director

The majority of folks that SnowCap serves are children, the elderly and those with disabilities.



Planting the Seed

We often say that SnowCap is made up of a million acts of kindness. Whether it's a volunteer that gives their time to help in the pantry, or an organization that decides to collect needed items in a donation barrel, all these separate acts add up to help the most vulnerable in our community.

This Spring, a group of Cub Scouts from Pack 6 in Troutdale, decided that their act of kindness would be to grow food for SnowCap's clients on the property of Faith United Methodist Church, where they regularly meet.

With the help from Cub Scout Master, Sherry Perkins, they planted tomatoes, peppers, peas, beans, zucchini and eggplants. Throughout the summer, they watered, weeded and picked, and so far, have donated over 70 pounds of food, and aren't done yet.

Our clients tell us all the time, how much they appreciate the opportunity to select fresh fruits and vegetables to help feed their families. And thanks to the Cub Scouts from Pack 6, they have more choices than ever!



A Gift That Knocked Our Socks Off!

When the folks from Bombas Socks learned that pairs of warm, comfy socks are the most requested clothing item in shelters and clothing closets like SnowCap's, they knew they had to do something. They decided to make an impact in communities across America by donating one pair of socks for every pair they sold.

Gresham Chamber member Steve Butler, with the American Legion, along with help from Dr. Chris Holenstein from Gresham Animal Hospital, and Core Coffee owner Corey Price, reached out to Bombas on behalf of SnowCap, and tapped into this wonderful philosophy of giving.

After some organization and a quick call to rally SnowCap's staff and volunteers, we drove out to Core Coffee in Gresham and gratefully accepted 2,500 pairs of Bombas socks that we can now give out to those in need!



Urgent Volunteer Needs

Fall is in the air, and what better way to kick off the season, than by helping your community and neighbors through volunteering! Here is a list of the volunteer spots at SnowCap that could use a little more help:

- Receptionist Tuesdays and Thursdays (9:30am to 2:15pm)
- Wednesday, Thursday or Monday Pantry Shopper (9:45am to 2:30pm)
- 1st or 2nd Monday Evening Pantry Shopper (5:45pm to 8:15pm)
- 2nd Thursday Mobile Food Pantry Helper (Noon to 3:30pm)

For these, or other current volunteer opportunities, please contact nate@snowcap.org

Mail Donations to:

PO Box 160 Fairview, OR 97024 Contact us:

www.snowcap.org 503.674.8785 info@snowcap.org

Donation Drop-off:

1778 SE Pine St Portland, OR 97233 Monday to Friday 9 AM—3 PM

Connect with SnowCap this Season

Most Needed Items

- ☐ Toys & gifts especially for older children and teens
- ☐ Ground coffee
- ☐ Canned fruit
- Canned vegetables
- ☐ Sugar 1lb packages
- ☐ Stuffing mix
- ☐ Instant potatoes
- ☐ Jello or boxed dessert mix
- New Underwear all sizes
- ☐ Feminine Hygiene items
- ☐ Paper Bags
- ☐ Can openers

Fill-A-Bag

Support this annual campaign led by Riverview Community Bank, Gresham Ford, and The Gresham Outlook by donating and sharing the GoFundMe page https://tinyurl.com/Fillabag and participating in fund events throughout the season. Visit www.snowcap.org/fill-a-bag.html



Share this page with your office, church, service club and friends!

Ways to Help your Neighbors

Collect Food or Clothing

Keep your neighbors fed and warm. For more information or to reserve your barrel, call 503.405.4293 or visit our website at www.snowcap.org

Toy & Gift Drive

Make Christmas a little brighter this year for over 1,300 children. Please drop off your new, unwrapped gifts no later than December 13th. We especially need gifts for kids ages 12-18.

Adopt-A-Family

Contact Aleta@snowcap.org before November 1st to be matched with a family in need.

Cash Donations

Some items are rarely donated and must be purchased. Help ensure SnowCap is a steady source of help with your financial gift. www.snowcap.org

Volunteer

Give the gift of time and care. Email Nate@snowcap.org for information (evening and Saturday shifts are filling quickly!)

Save the Date

SnowCap's Annual Auction - A Million Acts of Kindness March 14th, 2020

SnowCap

PO Box 160, Fairview, OR 97024

Phone: 503.674.8785 Web: www.SnowCap.org Email: info@snowcap.org

For donations deliver to 17788 SE Pine St Monday thru Friday from 9 am to 3 pm

Make Your Gift Go Even Further!

- Check with your employer to see if they match donations. We are happy to send necessary verification or information!
- Prefer to make a gift of stock? Or directly from your IRA? Contact louise@snowcap.org or call 503-405-4294 to make arrangements.
- Consider including SnowCap in your estate planning.
- Sponsor our annual auction! Your company, church or service group would make a great partner for our March 14, 2020 event. Contact nayely@snowcap.org or call 503-405-4293 for details.
- Donate your car to benefit SnowCap! Call our partners at Speed's Towing at 503-234-5555.
- Make an ongoing monthly, semi-monthly or quarterly gift. Visit www.snowcap.org or call 503-405-4293 to set it up.



Went here today, for food and clothing. Kind, compassionate staff. Give and have a decent selection of food. To all the volunteers, I just wanted to say thank you, and that I appreciate everything you did for me today. - Leanne





Please look for our 2019 Holiday Gift Guide online in November! Give a gift that makes a difference.

Gifts in Honor of:

Jim Liefeld: Ron & Jo Hudson

Gifts to Celebrate birthdays:

Barbara Roentz: William Casti
Beth Reddekopp: Angela Dickey
Don Frueh: Gerald & Donna Barker
Connie Cockrell: Elizabeth Webber

JoAnn Wright: Lael Hays Kaiga Dickman: Eric Dickman



Gifts in Memory of:

Bunny Machovec: Gloria Juenemann

Don Johnson: Bill Scott

Dorothy & Leonard Blair: Elizabeth Blair Dorothy Felker: Frederick & Connie Erickson.

Judith Heintz

Dr James Dixon: Monette Proffitt

Irene Kristofferson: Ervin & Dianne Burton **Jo & Don Palmateer:** Thomas Arbuckle, Sharon

Petri

Larry Tillstrom: Lael Hays

Linna Belle Haglund: Perry Jackman

Marie Squires: Teresa Squires-Osborn & Alan

Osborne, Frederick & Connie Erickson Mary Ann Elliott: Alex & Shirley Toth Mary Ellen Nance: John & Carol Zamba

Mary Long: Jim & Diane Liefeld Patricia Kahler: Mary Rieckewald

Philip Pham: Peter Pham

Raymond Wicklander: Pat Wolfe

Robert Law: Elizabeth Waltz, Jerome & Judith Lesch, Jim & Diane Liefeld, John Edward Miller

Rodney Green: Perry Jackman Sean Maloney: LeeAnn Gauthier Thelma Nance: Christy Strong

William Reeve: Carol Reeve, John & Gwen

Mitchell