Shelter Thrift

Have you visited us lately? Shelter Thrift has expanded to include almost 1,500 additional square feet full of modern and vintage furniture and home décor. You will be pleasantly surprised at what you find. In fact, we think you will LOVE it!

It is better to Donate than accumulate!

FEBRUARY

Shop with a purpose!
One of my favorite things to do at the Shelter is to take people on a tour of our facilities. It’s one thing to describe for someone what we do, but I would much rather show them. Usually what people tell me is that they are surprised. Before they took the tour they did not know how many people we shelter each night (350 on average). They did not know that one in three of those people are children - that we have newborns whose first home in this world is Stockton Shelter for the Homeless (12 newborns in 2016).

When you work at a homeless shelter you might assume that the problem of homelessness in our community is understood by everyone. Working here every day we get to know the men, women and children that are directly affected. They come into our lives and become a part of the little community we have here. Part of the family.

But when I’m talking to those who don’t work with the homeless every day, I often find that they had no idea how many people we serve. That is why I love to show visitors around our campus and explain how our programs and services work. It gives them perspective, not only the scope of homelessness in our region, but how important it is for everyone in our community to support organizations like Stockton Shelter for the Homeless. Because even though we have a big problem with homelessness in Stockton and San Joaquin County, the truth is that no one has to sleep on the streets if they don’t want to.

Stockton Shelter for the Homeless is there for everyone who needs us. We provide options for our community, alternatives to living in a car or in a tent next to the freeway. We are proud to be the place where the homeless can find respite and safety from the streets. Where families can get back on their feet and back into our community.

None of this is possible without your help. **Thank you** for supporting our mission! I invite everyone to take the tour. If you’ve taken the tour in the past, consider doing it again to see what’s changed since the last time. And if you’ve never toured the Shelter before, you owe it to yourself to see first-hand the great things we do with support from our community!

For more information about the programs, projects and services of Stockton Shelter for the Homeless, please visit our website at stocktonshelter.org, e-mail us at info@stocktonshelter.org or call us at (209) 465-3612.
Empowered by Community

Calling All Artists

We are inviting artists & aspiring artists to enter our “Shelter Beautification” contest to help brighten the lives of our residents. We are seeking individuals and/or groups to paint inspiring murals on our campus - inside and out! This is an excellent opportunity to showcase your work. Contestants should submit a 16" x 20" colored draft of their proposed mural project, which will be scored on the merits of creativity, inspiration and message. All ages are encouraged to participate.

Entry Deadline: 3/15/17
Winner Announcement: 4/3/17

For contest questions and registration, send email to admin@stocktonshelter.org.
Please write Empowered by Community contest.

Calling All Writers

We are also holding an essay contest. Communities Can Unite to Help the Homeless is the title of our contest. It is intended to give youth the opportunity to express their ideas on how communities can strategically unite to assist the homeless population. All submissions should consist of 500 - 700 words. Winning essays will be published in our newsletter.

Teachers are encouraged to enter register students. Age groups include:

Sixth - Eighth Grade
Ninth - Tenth Grade
Eleventh - Twelfth

Entry Deadline: 3/15/17
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“You must be the change you wish to see in the world.”

- Mahatma Gandhi
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Thrift Store Wish List
Gently Used Items & Furniture

SHELTER FACTS & FIGURES
2016

Stockton Shelter for the Homeless
Provided Shelter for:
- 1,165 Men
- 519 Women
- 298 Children
- 238 Families

HIV/AIDS Program
- 39 Men
- 31 Women
- 11 Children
- 19 Families

Veteran Program
- 122 Individuals