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Stockton Shelter for the Homeless

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Girl Scout Troop 97 toured the Shelter with CEO Adam Cheshire to learn more about what we do for homeless families in San Joaquin County. Each one brought donations in a box they decorated with messages for our kids. So cute!! Thank you to the troop and parents, we appreciate your support so much!



Sally Wooden, Director of Marketing and Development for Goodwill Industries of San Joaquin Valley, came to the Shelter to present our CEO with \$1,000 in store vouchers for our residents! These vouchers will be used by our clients to purchase items they need in their transition to self-sufficiency, from clothes to household goods to furniture.

Thank you to everyone at Goodwill for supporting homeless families in our community!

Donors in our Community

Last month Ms. Burdick's fifth grade class at Stockton Collegiate International Schools took the Shelter tour. They surprised us with a donation, presented in a box they decorated with messages of support for our residents! It's so great to see young people getting involved in our community by helping those less fortunate. Stockton has a bright future with kids like them around!

Thank you to everyone at Stockton Collegiate for your support of our mission!!



Thank you St. Andrews Church for making blankets with us!! We had a blast!

Thanks for Donating!

State of the City

TEN WAYS YOU CAN SUPPORT THE SHELTER

1. **MAKE A CONTRIBUTION** through our “new and improved” website. stocktonshelter.org
2. **SHOP AT THE SHELTER THRIFT STORE**
3. **DONATE** new or slightly used items
4. **REMEMBER A LOVED ONE** with a charitable gift
5. **MAKE A BEQUEST** in your will—there are tax breaks!
6. **ASK YOUR CHURCH** or civic organization to place the shelter needs list in their newsletter
7. **JOIN THE SAFETY NET TEAM** by donating \$500 or more annually
8. **VOLUNTEER**—There are many individual and group projects which would suit your talents
9. **ADOPT-A-ROOM:** do a make-over of a family room (new flooring, paint, fixtures & bedding)
10. **TOUR THE SHELTER** and give us your feedback!



On May 19th I had the opportunity to attend the State of the City address held at the Port of Stockton. Doug Wilhoit and his staff at the Greater Stockton Chamber of Commerce put on a great event that perfectly showcased the positive things our city has to offer. It was wonderful to see the participation from so many great non-profit organizations and public agencies. With the beautiful Port of Stockton as the backdrop, one can't help but feel proud to be a part of this community, its diversity and its potential. All you need to do is look around downtown, the Waterfront, the Miracle Mile, Lincoln Center and all the other gems of our city to see that Stockton is on the upswing. Keeping the momentum moving forward is up to all of us who care about making their community a better place, *working together*.

Of course, homelessness was a topic of discussion at the State of the City, as it lately has been in many frank and open conversations with the community and our elected officials. In my position as CEO of the Shelter I have a front row seat to the struggles of the homeless, and the coordinated effort to address the problem that is just now getting off the ground. I am so encouraged by the cooperation I have the privilege to witness when attending meetings and conducting coordinated street outreach for the homeless. From the non-profit organizations providing services for the homeless, individuals working for City and County agencies, the men and women who hold public office, even the State Capitol, what we see is the recognition that we can't help ourselves if we don't help each other. The scale of the homelessness issue in Stockton and San Joaquin County is immense and complicated, and it takes a group of dedicated and passionate individuals to make a difference. I see that passion and dedication every day, not just at Stockton Shelter for the Homeless but in my interactions with all of our colleagues.

We are working towards a solution to homelessness that addresses the many facets of the issue, including a major lack of appropriate housing and medical care for extremely low income groups and an inadequate support system for the mentally ill. There will always be people on the streets temporarily, but we need to *and we can* get to a place as a community where the time it takes to get someone off the streets and into a home of their own is days, not years. We can do this by building the will to create change and providing the resources needed to make change occur, one individual and one organization at a time. We can do this with your support. Without your support, the problem will continue to grow. Thank you for helping us make the community a better place through our mission to serve the homeless!

~ Adam Cheshire,
Chief Executive Officer

C.A.C. will be donating these purses filled with hygiene items to women at both the Women's Center and Stockton Shelter for the Homeless. ----->

When someone donates a purse they receive a voucher for a **FREE**: wax, haircut, manicure, pedicure, facial, deep condition **or** for \$5.00: hair color, highlights, or perm.

CAC is located at 3314 Delaware Ave., Stockton, CA 95204

For more information, call (209) 953-3401

C.A.C. Gets PURSE on a!

IT'S A PURSE DRIVE!!

May 23-July 1

Drop off a **NEW** or **GENTLY USED** handbag to **Career Academy of Cosmetology** and receive a voucher for a **FREE** service!

Benefiting
Women's Center
Board & Family Services
Stockton Shelter for the Homeless

San Joaquin County Office of Education
COSMETOLOGY

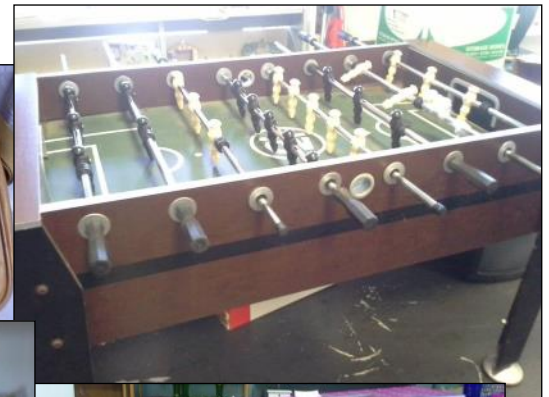
Cal Water Appreciation



California Water Service held an event at the Civic Auditorium in appreciation of their customers who have conserved water during the drought. They did a canned food drive for the Shelter and presented our CEO (and his daughter Jayne!) with a donation of \$1,000 in support of our mission to serve the homeless of Stockton and San Joaquin County. We were also presented with a Certificate of Recognition from the California State Legislature in honor of the event!

Thank you to California Water Service, Councilmembers Christina Fugazi and Michael Blower, and District Representative Zenet Negron from Assemblymember Susan Talamantes Eggman's office for your support of our mission!

Come check out Shelter Thrift, a great way for everyone to support the Shelter! Bring in the coupon below and get 20%OFF your entire purchase!



in-store savings coupon

**SHELTER THRIFT
& DONATION CENTERS**

"Where the entire community can help the homeless"

 7540 Pacific Avenue
(at Hammer Ranch Center)

20% off

one entire purchase
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Coupon expires June 30, 2016



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Shelter Wish List

FOR THE SHELTER

- Bus Passes
- Feminine Hygiene Products
- New Pillows
- Socks and Underwear - Men, Women and Children
- Toilet Paper
- Diapers (all sizes)

FOR THE THRIFT STORE

Gently used items of any kind including Furniture.

MAJOR PROJECTS

- New flooring in Family Shelter
- Metal Bunk Bed
- New Box Truck w/Liftgate
- New roof for Family Shelter
- Air Conditioning Units

SHELTER FACTS AND FIGURES FOR LAST MONTH

- 48 families with a total of 98 children were provided food, clothing & shelter
- The singles shelter averaged 146 men and 28 women per night
- The HIV/AIDS program assisted 3 families and 3 single adults with transitional housing
- Four homeless veterans enrolled in our enhanced Veteran Services Program