

WELCOME HOME HOUSING NEWSLETTER

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Thank You!

WHH is blessed to have the support of such generous donors. Simply put, if it wasn't for faithful supporters like you, we wouldn't exist. All of us at WHH would like to acknowledge each of our 2015 supporters. Those with a star by their names have also supported WHH in 2014. We greatly appreciate your loyalty. Together, we really do make a difference for the men and women living in a WHH home. Thank You!

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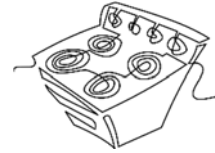
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We also received generous donations totaling \$500 from 5 anonymous supporters during the 2015 Big Day of Giving event on May 5, 2015. Many of our new donors connected with us on that day. WHH was one of 529 local nonprofits that participated in the Big Day of Giving event that raised over \$5 million dollars for charitable organizations within the Sacramento area. We are planning to participate in the 2016 Big Day of Giving scheduled on Tuesday May 3, 2016. We will have more on this as the date approaches.

**Unless someone like you
cares a whole awful lot,
nothing is going to get better.
It's not.
-Dr. Seuss**

Kitchen Fire

According to the National Fire Protection Association 40 percent of all house fires are caused by cooking related incidents. Unfortunately, on the evening of January 22, the ladies at Picture Way experienced this directly. Luckily, no one was seriously hurt and the damage was confined mostly to the kitchen area, with some minor smoke damage in living room and hallway. The ladies were understandably shaken by their scary experience but are now coping well with the disruption caused by the clean-up and restoration process. Insurance is covering most of the major costs. However, the ladies could use your assistance with some of the smaller items that need replacing. Call or email Deborah at 916) 899-0951 or deborah.coughlin@gmail.com if you can help.



Here is a list of some items lost in the fire: kitchen knife set, waffle iron, 2 qt. cooking pot with lid, toaster, kitchen scale, 2 plastic juice pitchers, coffee maker, and a 2 gallon glass iced tea jar with spigot. The ladies are especially saddened by the loss of their collection of cooking spices.



Just as within any other household, items break or become worn with use. As a result, we have created a list of items that our residents could use in their homes. Please consider donating your gently used items in order to help stretch our budget. Items currently on our list: microwave safe food storage containers, full and twin sheet sets, comforters, towels, cooking utensils, table cloths, floor mats, flame retardant oven mitts, Britta filters, storage bins for Christmas trees, clock radios, vacuum cleaners, computer printers and indoor storage cabinets with doors.



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Board Members Needed

Welcome Home Housing is looking for a few talented and conscientious volunteer board members to help lead and strengthen our program. The board meets on the second Tuesday of every other month. Our next meeting is scheduled for the evening of March 8, 2016. If you can contribute your time, thoughtfulness, and leadership, and are interested in exploring this opportunity, call Deborah Coughlin at 916-899-0951 to find out whether this volunteer opportunity is right for you. Knowledge of mental health issues is not necessary but helpful. We're especially looking for folks with either financial or legal experience and for folks knowledgeable with fundraising and/or grant writing. Most of all, we need enthusiastic individuals who are committed to be engaged in the success of our program.

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