

Greater Seattle Cares

Uniting Communities to serve the homeless

Greater Seattle Cares ("GSC") envisions a world without homelessness in which communities come together to promote a better quality of life for those in need.

Annual Report

2013

The Year in Review

Many people were believing 2013 would be the turning point year for reducing the homeless population in Seattle/King County. Government agencies, churches and many other groups work in collaboration to tackle different aspects of the issue. Greater Seattle Cares and **you** are a very important part of that team.

While we didn't see a reduction in the number of homeless*, **thanks to all of you** — the concerned community partnering with Greater Seattle Cares — we all contributed much to alleviate the hunger, cold and despair that accompanies homelessness.

Through our work together in support of Tent City 3 and others, using the website provided by Greater Seattle Cares, community supporters served a hot meal to more than 2,500 people. We filled their larder and delivered much needed clothing, blankets, shoes, sleeping bags, tents, pallets, and hygiene items through the tireless weekly rounds of our Glean Team.

Generous donations from you made it possible for the Medical Teams International (MTI) dental van to service over 50 people with cleaning, fillings, extractions and routine care, while another 21 patients are in process of getting dentures!

TC3 made four moves this past year from Shoreline to Capital Hill to Renton! GSC volunteers and donations help to make this a smoother, and more orderly move of a camp of c. 100 people.

Our board welcomed two new members this year: Josef Hinkofer and Elizabeth (Liz) Hinkofer. Both were already familiar faces to all involved in preparing hot meals and delivering donations to TC3. We appreciate the skills and diversity of viewpoint they bring to the Board.

When reviewing this, it is amazing what a relatively small group of all volunteer people can do! Together we are objectively making a difference. The feedback from TC3 and others say "Great Job!" On behalf of the entire board of Greater Seattle Cares, please accept our heartfelt thanks for your generosity and compassion; without which, none of this would have been possible.

The Board of Directors
Greater Seattle Cares

* Per the One Night count conducted by Seattle/King County Coalition on Homelessness http://www.homelessinfo.org/what_we_do/one_night_count/2013_results.php

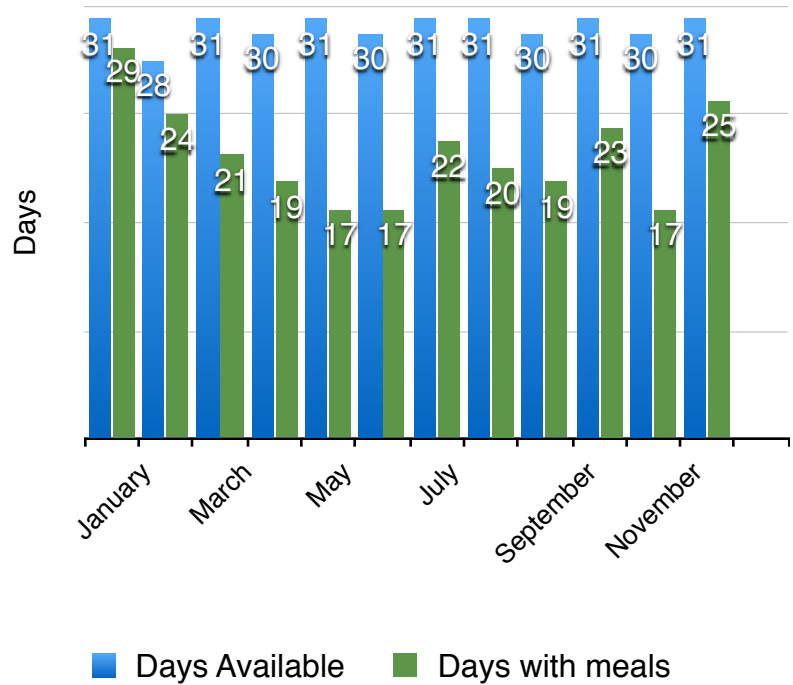
We Care, We Serve Through ...

Hot Meals for Tent City 3

GSC maintains an online, user friendly calendar for volunteers to sign up for hot meals. When needed, we help volunteer groups with food cost and finding kitchens where they can cook. We are pleased to report an amazing 69% of all the days in 2013 were covered by a hot meal!



2013 Hot Meals for Tent City 3



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Mobile Dental Clinic



Greater Seattle Cares sponsored five dental clinics at the camp in the past year. Medical Teams International (MTI) brought their mobile dental van to Tent City 3 where a total of 58 patients received cleaning, fillings, extractions and other care.



Denture program

In addition to the dental clinics, GSC is funding dentures for 21 patients. Seven people completed received their dentures this year with 11 in the process and 3 on the wait list. All this at a total cost of \$9,919 for the year . What a huge difference this is making in the lives of the patients! Read about the success stories here.

<http://greaterseattlecares.org/>

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Gleaning and Sharing

Our “Glean Team” continues to be a powerful conduit for redistribution of all kinds of goods — brand new and in perfect condition — that are bound for the landfill. By building long term working relationships with businesses in the community, our team regularly picks up from these businesses. The various tent cities in the Seattle/King County area are recipients of the items they can use with the remainder of the gleaned donations routing to other non profits.

The donations for 2013 are up 48% over 2012:

- Over 53,812 items gleaned
- 6,999 toiletries
- over 373 pieces of new clothing
- 824 “big ticket” items such as bicycles, tents, tables, etc.
- 10,713 other items (anything not included above)

Recipients include Tent City 3, Tent City 4, Camp Unity, Home2Home, North Shore Senior Center, Hopelink, Olive Crest, Ryther House, and King County Foodbanks, and Food Lifeline.

In addition to distribution of these items. GSC takes the bicycles that are gleaned, sends them to a repair shop for a safety check and any needed items. then purchases a lock to go with the bike before we give them to TC3, Olive Crest and Ryther House

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Move Day Support

In 2013 Tent City 3 was hosted by four different groups. The moves from one location to the next are quite an undertaking: breaking down the approximately 35 resident tents plus the community tents, pulling apart the pallets and plywood that get those tents off the cold ground, plus packing up all the personal belongings and community larder and supplies. Then, of course, everything has to be put together again at the new site. All this requires garbage bags, duct tape, plastic ties, twine, nails, and a host of other supplies. GSC provides Move Day supplies for each move. This amounted to a total of \$1547 for the year. We also help recruit volunteers and vehicles to help with the move, and we make sure we have all three meals provided on those days to fuel a group of hard working people.

A big thanks to the hosts for Tent City 3 in 2013:

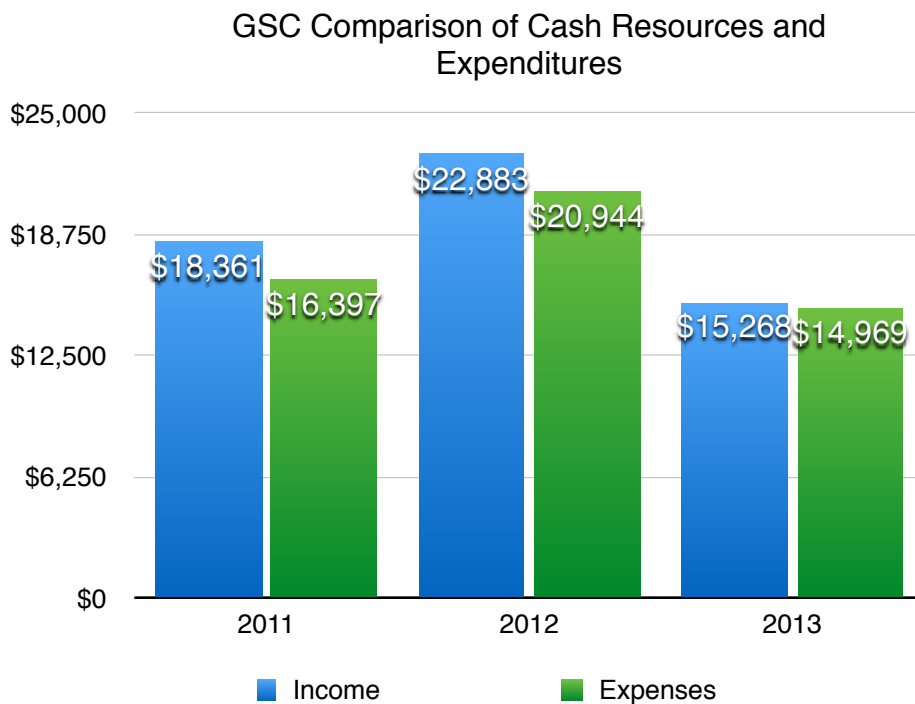
- 2/16 Haller Lake United Methodist Church
- 5/11 Shoreline Free Methodist Church
- 8/10 St. Mark's Cathedral
- 10/5 Bryn Mawr Methodist Church in Renton



We care we serve through Stewardship...

Funding for Tent City 3

Giving in 2013 decreased 33% from 2012 donations. About 21% of the cash donations were earmarked for specific use such as the denture program or filling the larder at Tent City 3. The single largest expenditure for 2013 was the denture program. With the remaining cash donations we fund Move Day support, replacement of tents and tarps, non-perishable food for the TC3 larder, as well as the administrative costs of GSC. GSC returns 92% of the donations to the homeless community through these programs while covering administrative costs and maintaining a small reserve each year for emergent needs.



In Appreciation

Greater Seattle Cares has an incredible group of supporters that partner in reaching out to the homeless in our community. Thanks to your support, many receive food, shelter, and warm clothing as well as hope for the future.

Cash donations

Andrea Morgan
Anonymous, cash
Ayal Naor
Constance Lovgen
Craig Pape
Dennis Fleshman
Dorothy Roat
Edmonds Presbyterian Church
Episcopal Diocese of Olympia
Hillwood Community Network
Jacob and Ellen Marie Naor
Kyunggi Girls High School Reunion
Leah Bolotin
Matt Barrett, proceeds from sale of his book
Microsoft Gift Matching Program
Nancy Miller
Paula Clapp
Pamela Jackson
Pamela Kilment
Rain City Rotary
Robert Scott
Ruth Montgomery
Safeway Foundation
Saltwater Unitarian Church
Sing Lam and Oi Han
Lan Yu
Trinity Presbyterian Church
Valerie Warren
Vicki Michaels

In Kind Donations

Saxx Underwear
Anonymous - Bus passes

Hot Meals

Amanda Schultz - LSB Families
Anne Novak - St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

Bei Bernal - Seattle Preparatory School
Beline - Fanta, Hall, Debalkew, Tirfe, Wolde family
Betty Dost - Calvin Presbyterian Church
Study group
Blaine - non IT's
Calvin Small Group - B. Bain
Cari Armbruster - Bethany North Community Church
Cathy Atkins - Trinity Lutheran Church in Lynnwood
Cari Campbell - Community Christian Fellowship home group
Carol Jaeger - Haller Lake UMC
Carol Kalkwarf - Women at Haller Lake UMC
Carrie Campbell - Girl Scout Troop 52786
Cheryl Shaw - Of One Body
Christina Lindell - Vineyard Community Church & Trinity Presbyterian
Cindy Snyder - Calvin Presbyterian Church
Connie Lovgren - Senior Center Shoreline & friends
Edsel and Gertie Goldson - Bryn Mawr United Methodist Church
Elizabeth Dickinson
Elizabeth Wurtmann - St. Mark's Cathedral St. Bridget's Banquet
Emerald City
Emily Ann Bachand
Emmanuel O Mensah - Church of Pentecost (Seattle)
Erika Haub - Shoreline Covenant Church

Florence Greff - Haller Lake UMC
Gail Young - St. Luke Catholic Church
Gourmet Grub - Steve and Margaret
Harley O'Neil, Jr. - Shoreline Breakfast Rotary Club
Helen Day - Neighbors and friends
Jamie Aanenson - Faith Fellowship
Jamie Lewis - Faith Fellowship Church
Jennifer Bandy-Phillips - Seattle Academy
Jennifer M. Partch - Haller Lake UMC Youth
Jenny Coss - Mountain View Community Church in Snohomish
Julie Iverson - Wash Middleschool 8th grade
Kathleen Lange - Christ the King Church
Kim Lancaster - Rain City Rotary
Kristin McSherry - Girl Scout Troop 41256
Lee Knoch - St. Mark's Choirs
Linda Williford - Shoreline Good Girls
Lisa Bourgon
Lisa Surowiec - Richmond Highlands Neighborhood Association
Mark Barter
Marcia McLaughlin - Richmond Beach Congregational UCC
Marcy McAuliffe - Baha'is of Shoreline
Marilyn and Thea - 3rd Legislative District Democrats
Mary Lynn Antush - Neighborhood group

Michaela Orzechowski - Seattle Pacific University
Latreia
Mike Havers - Calvin Church Motly Crew
Mike Labrum - The Bridge Coffee House manager
Mildred May - St. Patrick's Church JF group
Norma Lee - Shoreline Free Methodist
Pannee Nateephaisan - Thai Cottage
Peter Kim - Babysteps Ministry
Rachel Pribble - Reserves Infantry
River of Life Christian Center
Robin Sunde
San Le - City of Shoreline Teen Program
Roland Bradley - New Beginnings Christian Fellowship
Sherry C - Harbor Church
St. Clouds Restaurant & Catering - John Platt
Steve - Gourmet Club
Sue Lee - Tabernacle Baptist Church
Susan Chang - Friends from NW201st PL, Richmond Beach
Tanvi Aggarwal
Thea Miklasiewicz - Edmonds Lutheran Church
Tom Gergen
Usha Amancharla
Vanessa Lono
Walley Dietrich - Bryn Mawr UMC
Wendy & friends

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