



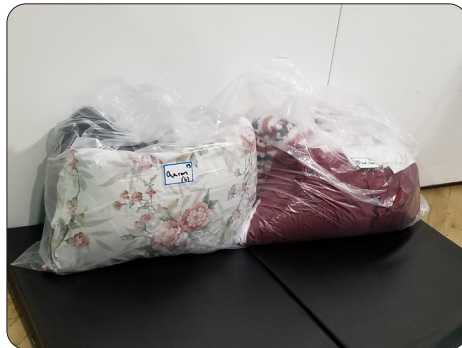
# Sharing Lives

Winter 2022

## Share Receives Holman Impact Grant to Help Fund Winter Hospitality Overflow

For those experiencing homelessness, winter is anything but magical. Individuals and families without permanent shelter or housing are incredibly vulnerable with few options to escape the cold, rainy or snowy weather and limited ways to protect themselves outside. Conditions inside a tent or a car can be unsafe, creating a heightened risk for injury and illness such as hypothermia, the flu or frostbite.

For 20 years, the Winter Hospitality Overflow (WHO) program has bridged the gap between limited shelter space and the increasing number of people who seek shelter during the winter months. It was born of a partnership between Share, Council for the Homeless and the faith-based community of St. Andrew Lutheran Church.



A reflection of this true community partnership, the program has operated for many years on the financial generosity of local donors. But donations have been in decline; without additional funding, Share may not have been able to continue providing staff to support the program. So we are incredibly grateful that Share has been awarded a Holman Impact Grant with \$100,000 to support the WHO in 2022, 2023 and 2024.

*“We are honored to award grants simply to help organizations that make communities better. And our employees feel pride knowing that Holman supports the good work of organizations like Share,”* said Steve Holman, Advisory to the Board in Community Affairs.

*“At the WHO, we serve a variety of highly vulnerable clients. This program is truly a lifeline for people and families with children, so we are incredibly thankful to Holman for their support of this vital community partnership,”* said Amy Reynolds, Deputy Director.

This season, 24% of all WHO clients are children and 15% of those are under age five; 45% of all adult clients identify as having a disability.

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## Grateful for Community Support!



The holiday spirit was in full swing in our Hot Meals kitchen at Share House during Thanksgiving week!

Our Hot Meals program continues to serve **7,300+ meals each month;** **a number double** the amount of average meals in February 2020.

- Daddy D’s Southern Style BBQ donated 59 pans of succulent ham, turkey and green beans.
- Beaches Restaurant & Bar donated 125 boxed meals, each including a slice of turkey and ham, green beans, corn, stuffing, mashed potatoes, dinner roll and pie.
- NOM NOM Restaurant & Grill donated their popular House Fried Rice.

The delicious-ness was shared throughout Share, at our Hot Meals program, family shelters, Women’s Housing and Transition, Lincoln Place and the Winter Hospitality Overflow program.

**Flip to the back page** to see pictures of the amazing food, clients who enjoyed the meals, as well as staff and volunteers who served with smiles!

## ■ Grant, WHO cont.

WHO operates November 1 through March 31 and serves individuals, couples and families; 30 beds are available each night. Clients receive meals, access to showers and a bed with temporary walls to provide privacy.

While the main goal is to provide safe and secure shelter during the winter months, Share Housing Navigators, case managers and other support staff work with clients to address their barriers to housing and employment. The length of stay depends on each client's specific needs; clients can stay for one night or for the duration of the season. During the 2021-2022 season of the WHO, 201 people were served (adults and children), accounting for 127 households.

Volunteers continue to be essential for the operation of WHO, welcoming clients as they arrive, serving dinner, packing to-go lunches, cleaning and sanitizing food and sleeping areas and more. [To learn more about WHO—including how to donate online or by mail—visit \*\*sharevancouver.org\*\*.](#)



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## ■ Give a Gift in Honor of a Loved One

Looking for a unique and inspirational gift idea?

Make a gift in honor of someone close to your heart: your grandmother, father, sister-in-law or best friend! Donate online at [sharevancouver.org](https://sharevancouver.org) and be sure to select 'In Honor' under 'Tribute Type.'

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## 2022 Volunteers of the Year & Community Partner Award Winners

The Emily Marshall Volunteer of the Year award honors long-time Share board director and volunteer, Emily Marshall, who passed away in 2007. With this award, Share annually recognizes an individual who has displayed outstanding efforts to foster our mission.

This year's nominees included:

- Rosa Bartle
- Getta Burns
- Jim Ericson
- Katie Johnson
- Jean Kent
- Karen Leffel
- Sherry Longfield & Loretta Kalmbach
- Jerry McWithey
- Pete Stauffer & Dianna Yee-Stauffer
- Sue Young

The award winners were announced at Soup's On! and are detailed at right.

### Karen Leffel:

#### Emily Marshall Volunteer of the Year

Volunteers for the Backpack Program, Hotel Bag Lead

Lifetime Hours: 680 Hours

*"I'm humbled because I know there are many people who help in this program. It takes a whole lot of people to make the Backpack Program work. Overall I feel that one of the big positives of Share's Backpack program is that it's helping to keep kids in school and that is so important. Education is an answer to so many things and the more that we can keep kids in school the better off our whole country will be. I just couldn't think of any other way to volunteer where you are making an impact in someone else's life and for that many. It's just been personally rewarding."*



### Rosa Bartle:

#### Youth Volunteer of the Year

Volunteers for Outreach Kit Packing

*"Try volunteering. I'd recommend anything you're in the mood for, but especially Outreach, because it's easy and it's fun."*

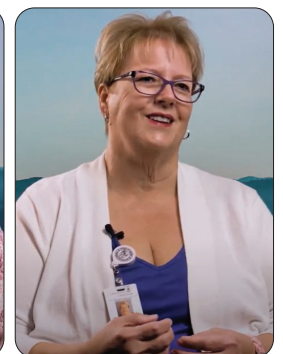


### University of Portland School of Nursing & Health Innovation: 2022 Community Partner

An excerpt from Joan Caley's and Linda Smith's acceptance video:

*"Having had this exposure, our students know what health really means to people. Do they have access to food, education, what about their economic stability? Health is not just the absence of disease; it's the total emotional and physical wellbeing. It's a great experience for our students."*

*"The University of Portland does something unique in that this is their first clinical experience. We believe that knowing where people come from and how that affects their health is important before you get to acute care nursing in the hospital."*



Acceptance videos for Karen, Rosa, Joan and Linda can be viewed online at [sharevancouver.org/2022-volunteer-of-the-year-award-videos](https://sharevancouver.org/2022-volunteer-of-the-year-award-videos)

# ■ Magic & Memories Made at Soup's On!

It was a magical evening at our “Harry Potter & the Cauldron of Soup” Soup’s On! event on Sunday evening at ilani. The ballroom was packed with 800+ guests and 100+ volunteers, with many garbed in their best Hogwarts robes, house colors or channeling their favorite character.

In addition to raising vital funds to support Share’s programs and services, four chefs took home awards for best soup:

- People’s Choice & Golden Ladle Awards: Tim Conklin at Line & Lure at ilani for Smoked Steelhead Chowder
- Chef’s Choice Award: It was a Tie! Bonnie Brasure at Bleu Door Bakery for “Hungarian Horntail Mushroom Soup” and Tim McCusker at Feast 316 for “Hog(warts) Funghi Stew with Nagini Sausage Crouton (Wild Boar & Wild Mushroom Stew with Rattlesnake Sausage Crouton)”
- Presenting Sponsor Award: Tanner Genck at AC Hotel for “Hogsmeade Stew”

We are grateful to the following chefs who also competed this year:

- Mike Culver, Beaches Restaurant & Bar
- Marian Adams, Frontier Public House
- Bob Rasaphangthong, Nom Nom Restaurant & Grill
- Peter Galin, Say Ciao!
- Jason Pinney, 3 Sheets at the Harbor

During the program, we also honored our 2022 Volunteer of the Year Karen Leffel, Youth Volunteer of the Year Rosa Bartle and Community Partner Award to University of Portland School of Nursing and Health Innovation.

Special thanks to:

- Our very talented Master of Ceremonies Eric Sawyer with Windemere Northwest Living
- Our fabulous potters whose beautiful bowls were taken home by each guest: Pat Brame, Marjorie Kavanagh, Nick Molatore, Kelsey Rice, Honna Sheffield and Aubrey Sloane
- And last, but certainly not least, to our dedicated event volunteers!

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MC Eric Sawyer channeling Professor Dumbledore & leading guests in casting a spell.



Our 2022 Culinary Wizards!!



Clockwise from left:  
 MC Eric Sawyer channeling Hagrid & Gilderoy Lockhart.  
 Guests Andrew Gratzler, Bradley McKnight, Dane Dykeman, Evan Strandberg & Linda Reid.  
 All of our amazing volunteers!



Clockwise from left:  
 Share's Kim Hash & Diane McWithey in the Portrait Wall  
 Eric & Nancy Olmsted with grandson Xavier at the Sorting Hat Station.  
 Tony Johnson of Davidson & Associates Insurance channeling Professor Snape.



THANK YOU to Our 2022 Sponsors:

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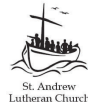


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## ■ Mark Your 2023 Calendar!

We are hard at work planning fundraising events and appreciation gatherings—we hope you will join us!

Thursday, March 9:

We Share: Answers Uncorked with Amy Reynolds\*



Saturday, April 22:

“Disco Fever” Gala at Hilton Hotel Vancouver

Thursday, May 11:

We Share: Annual Meeting at Windy Hills Winery\*

Week of Jun 5-9:

Share Appeal for Meals Campaign

Wednesday, July 26:

We Share: Answers on Tap with Amy Reynolds\*



Sunday, October 15:

Soup’s On! at ilani

Tuesday, November 28:

We Share: Answers Brewing with Amy Reynolds\*

Tuesday, November 28:

#GivingTuesday, A Day of Generosity!



2022 Annual Meeting at Windy Hills.



June 2022 Answers on Tap with Amy at Fortside.

\* We Share events are held in appreciation of our We Share Members; learn more at [sharevancouver.org](http://sharevancouver.org)

You might notice that Give More 24! is missing from this list. The Community Foundation Southwest Washington has announced that in 2023 Give More 24! will join forces with GiveBIG, a state-wide fundraising campaign held annually in May. With the proximity to our Annual Gala, Share will not be able to take part in 2023.



# DISCO FEVER

groove at the **Share gala!**

SAVE THE DATE:  
saturday, april 22, 2023  
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## ■ Groove With Us!

Join us as we bring back some Disco-era fun!

Bring your *Dancing Queen* out to *Do The Hustle!*

We are going to *Boogie Oogie Oogie* because *That’s The Way, uh huh, uh huh, I Like It!*

It’s time for a *Celebration* because *We Are Family* and happy we’ve been *Stayin’ Alive!*

Our Dynamic Duo performances will bring the best of the Disco scene to the stage. Event details will be posted on [sharevancouver.org](http://sharevancouver.org) so check back often!

## ■ Accomplished & Under 40: Chris Brox & Jasmine Ames

The annual Accomplished & Under 40 event hosted by Vancouver Business Journal and presented by Davidson & Associates Insurance Agency is always a truly awe-inspiring event, as the community comes together to honor amazing young leaders making a difference right here in Clark County.

We are honored to announce and celebrate that two amazing members of the Share family were included in the Class of 2022 recipients:

- Chris Brox,  
Share Finance Director
- Jasmine Ames,  
Share Board Director and  
Relationship Manager-  
Vice President at US Bank

*Congratulations!*

*“Earlier this year, Chris stepped up for Share in a tremendous way, when the organization faced staffing changes and shortages; he assumed the role of Accounting Manager in addition to his role as Director of Finance. He worked from sunup to sundown for weeks to make sure Share accomplished all the accounting department’s necessary deadlines, all the while being cheerful and fun to be around.”*

—In nomination by Amy Reynolds,  
Share Deputy Director

*“Since joining the Share board in 2021, Jasmine has been integral in helping development staff apply for and receive funding from US Bank in the form of grants and sponsorships. She is currently working with our Family Pathways Program Director to implement financial budgeting and management classes for our families and staff. Jasmine continues to seek out volunteer roles which will afford her the opportunity to help shape the future of our community.”*

—In nomination by Diane McWithey,  
Share Executive Director



## ■ Kaiser Permanente Awarded 2022 Community Support Award

We are also delighted to share that Kaiser Permanente was selected as a 2022 Nonprofit Excellence Award recipient by Nonprofit Network Southwest Washington. Kaiser Permanente was nominated by Share and received the Community Support Award.

In the past five years, Kaiser Permanente has used their influence to support Share’s meal and nutrition initiatives, affordable and safe housing programs, medical and

dental care for clients, volunteering in our warehouse and sponsoring our two main fundraising events. With this expanded support from Kaiser Permanente, Share has been able to provide more clients with housing and meal and nutrition services.

Kaiser Permanente is also a long-standing supporter of the Free Clinic, supporting its mission to provide free, high-quality health-care to uninsured residents of Clark County.





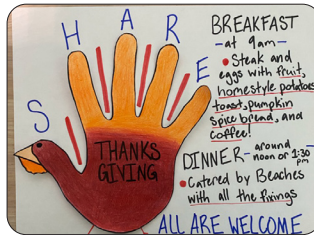
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