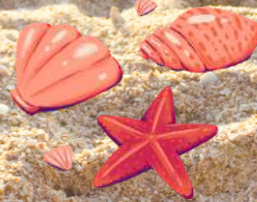


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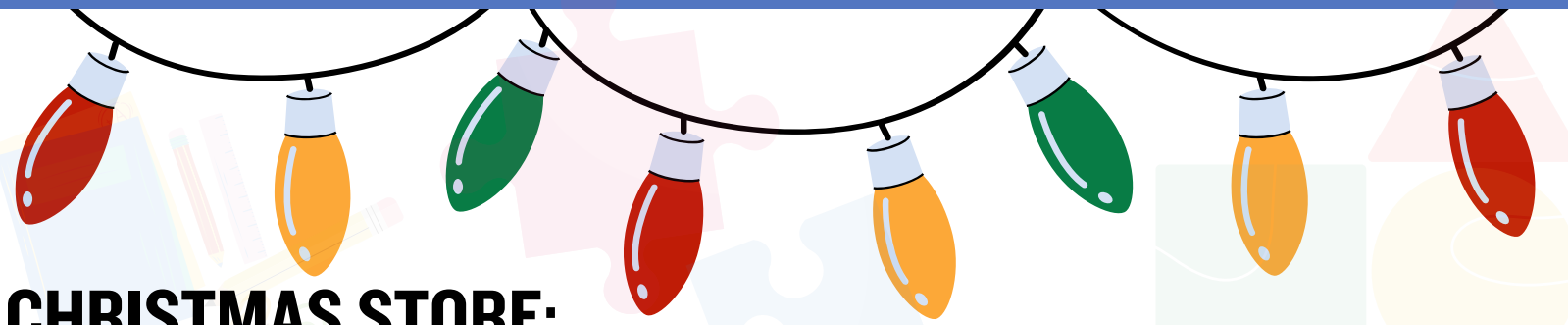


Children benefit from all the programs at St. Vincent de Paul, Roseville. Big kids eat food their parents bring home from the Food Locker and babies get diapers, wipes, baby food, formula, and bottles. Some kids eat lunch at the Dining Room along with their parents or grandparents. Children also benefit from rental and utility assistance. But there is one program that is just for kids: The Smiles Program. Two components of the Smiles Program are the Back-to-School Backpack Program and the Christmas Store.



BACK-TO-SCHOOL BACKPACK PROGRAM:

Every child wants and deserves to go back to school with a new backpack filled with all the supplies they're going to need. The Back-to-School Backpack Program provides just that. Last year, 210 stuffed backpacks were handed out to local children in need. The process begins with a list of all the school aged children whose caregivers regularly visit the Food Locker. After that, kids whose families receive other services at SVdP are added to the list. Finally, names of other children in the community who are known to be in need of assistance are added. There are four area churches that collect backpacks and school supplies starting in late summer. Those churches are St. Rose, St. Clare, SS Peter & Paul, and St. Joseph Mareello. In addition, SVdP collects school supplies all year long, as well as water bottles and boxes of tissue, and puts them aside for the big fall giveaway. Private donors also like to get involved. As you may know, Roseville Schools provide parents with lists of grade-specific supplies that their children need to bring to school. As in the past, moms and daughters from the National Charity League gather will gather at SVdP to stuff the backpacks and label them with the appropriate grade level. Cute Paw Patrol backpacks are filled with K-1st grade supplies while plain black backpacks are prepped for high schoolers. This year, our local Fleet Feet store donated dozens and dozens of brand-new athletic shoes to give out to local kids. A youth group from a nearby Latter-Day Saints Church will be coming in to help sort them by size and distribute them to children receiving backpacks.



CHRISTMAS STORE:

The second component of The Smiles Program is the Christmas Store. Each December, SVdP's conference room is transformed into a gift extravaganza. The first thing shoppers see are shelves full of toys, puzzles, books, games and sports equipment. There are boxes of warm mittens, hats, socks and scarves. On a long table are all the things that kids love to find in their stockings on Christmas morning: sweet treats and fun little toys, and hygiene items for the teens. For busy moms and dads, there were gift bags in all sizes and tissue paper as well. A big black plastic trash bag is provided for each child so no little eyes can peek at the gifts coming in the door! All the wonderful wares are donated by generous businesses and individuals. And the store is staffed by wonderful volunteers. As pre-registered parents (or grandparents) arrive at the Giuseppe St. store, they are escorted through by a St. Vincent volunteer tasked to make sure each child gets the appropriate number and type of gifts. The caregivers of teens 14 and over can choose a Visa gift card instead of a toy. One of St. Vincent's most generous donors is the United States Marine Corps Reserves' Toys for Tots organization in Auburn. This Fall marks the 75th anniversary of Toy for Tots. They've been providing joy to children in need since 1947. St. Vincent de Paul doesn't wait until the last minute to gather toys. Just like the Backpack Program, volunteers are always on the lookout for new Christmas toys, winter mittens and hats, and stocking stuffers that show up throughout the year. In addition, every summer, SVdP organizes a toy drive just to get ahead of the season.



President's Message

Don Fraser



Food insecurity continues to be a major challenge for many of our neighbors in Placer County. UC Davis reports that over 8 percent of Placer County residents are food insecure, which means over 30,000 adults and children struggle to ensure that they have enough food. The situation improved somewhat during COVID, as the federal government increased SNAP benefits (formerly food stamps), but in March 2023 those extra benefits ended.

We are certainly seeing the impact of food insecurity firsthand at St. Vincent de Paul. In 2022, we saw a 24 percent increase in those coming to our food locker. So far in 2023 (through May), we have seen an additional 26 percent increase over 2022. A very busy morning in the food locker is when we see more than 80 households. During one recent morning, 110 households came in for assistance. As you can imagine, our ability to keep up with the flow of those that need help has stretched our food supplies. If you could help by donating food to us, we would greatly appreciate it.

I also wanted to thank all of you that donated to Big Day of Giving. We were blessed with donations totaling over \$55,000, including a very generous donation of \$10,000 from the Placer Community Foundation. But our work never quite ends, and as I write this, we have started working on our Anniversary Dinner in September celebrating forty years of service to those in need. The newsletter has more information about the dinner, which I hope you can attend.

I hope you and your family have a wonderful, blessed summer. May God bless all of you for making our work possible!!

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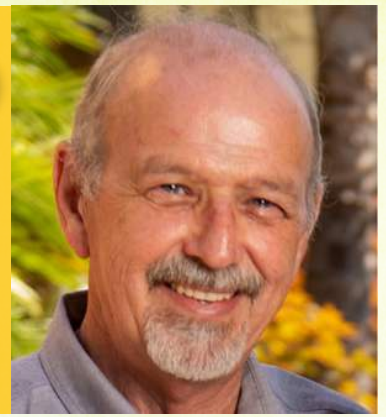
St. Vincent de Paul is always looking for new opportunities to partner with the business community. If you own or work for a business that would like to become more involved, please contact Don Fraser at:
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WORDS OF WISDOM AND

Encouragement

Deacon Mike



**"Live in the sunshine. Swim in the sea. Drink in the wild air."
Ralph Waldo Emerson**

Ahhh, the lazy, crazy days of summer. Although as a parent, I learned they weren't as lazy as those days many, many years ago when I was just a kid fresh out of school for the summer. Yet, summertime is the "Sabbath" of the seasons allowing us to relax and rest a little more than the other seasons. Barbeques, pool parties, picnics, day trips, time to reconnect with family and friends; and of course, the family vacation.

As you travel about, take a moment to ponder the goodness of God's creation, marvel at the beauty of the created world; stop and smell the roses, feel the warm breeze on your face. Take the time to consider the goodness of the Creator and be thankful, and be joyful. All of creation demonstrates God's lavishness, His generosity, His plans, and His love for us. Find the time to create memories. For as we know all too well, time moves on; but those memories can last a lifetime. But first and foremost, remember to take Jesus with you wherever you go. He loves being with families and He's a great co-pilot, always ready to listen and offer advice. He's an excellent navigator, after all, He is the Way, the Truth and the Life. He enjoys traveling. As I recall, He took a few trips with the Holy Family and spent three years journeying around the Holy Land with His friends. All things considered; I'd say the perfect travel companion and a good friend to have with you.

Memories are just ahead of you, stories ready to be written, all of creation is waiting to draw near to you. May God bless you and yours and may peace be your journey.

A note of gratitude if I may. On behalf of the Board members, staff, volunteers and of course the VIPs of St. Vincent, our clients; a huge thank you for your generous giving. Your support and your prayers for our success allowed us to exceed our goal on the Big Day of Giving in May. We could not do what we do without you doing all that you do. Thank you so very much.

Many Thanks to those that Donated to Big Day of Giving!!

We want to thank all of you that contributed to us during the Big Day of Giving on May 4. Close to 200 people contributed a total of **\$55,000** to help us in our effort to replace one of our aging trucks. "The generosity of our supporters is truly awe inspiring," President Don Fraser said.

We would also like to thank the Placer Community Foundation for a grant of **\$10,000** they contributed as part of Big Day of Giving. "Placer Community Foundation (PCF) is proud to support the work of St. Vincent de Paul Roseville through this grant from our Community Needs Fund" according to Eileen Speaker.

"PCF applauds St. Vincent de Paul's dedication to serving those most in need in the Roseville area and we know that this investment will be well used for many years to come in carrying out that mission."



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July 2023

School Supplies



August 2023

Canned Fruits & Vegetables



September 2023

Personal Hygiene



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503 Giuseppe Ct. Suite 8

Roseville, CA 95678

Tuesdays and Thursdays between 8AM and 2PM at our warehouse located behind the building.

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SVDP Volunteer Luncheon
Thursday, February 8, 2024
11am-1pm

THE RESURRECTION OF THE VEHICLE DONATION PROGRAM

We have again started to accept donations of vehicles through a new program named CARS, administered through the Sacramento St. Vincent de Paul Diocesan Council.

CARS is a non-profit organization that raises funds for other non-profits by selling donated vehicles through multiple auction yards nationwide.

This program allows our supporters to donate cars, trucks, motor homes, boats, and airplanes. St. Vincent de Paul, Roseville, will receive a portion of the proceeds. The donation process is simple. You can call the CARS phone number or visit their website to fill in the requested information.

Be sure to mention that you want the proceeds of your vehicle donation to go to St. Vincent de Paul, Roseville.

CARS will arrange to pick up the donated vehicle and provide you with a tax receipt. It is that simple, and you are helping St. Vincent continue to provide our vital programs.

For more information:

Call

(800) 322-8284

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Crumley Associates Help Out In Food Locker

“If we wish to serve God and love our neighbor well, we must manifest our joy in the service we render to Him and them.

- St. Katharine Drexel

Recently, we had the opportunity to host Crumley and Associates to help in our Food Locker. It was a very busy day in which they helped bag and load over 100 households with groceries in one morning. Our connection comes from our Board Members, Gerardo Vergara, who is an Associate Financial Advisor with the local financial planning firm. Every year Crumley and Associates take part in giving back to the community with their Annual Day of Service.

For the Annual Day of Service, Crumley and Associates closes the office and allows all of its staff and any interested clients to take time away from the everyday and to participate in giving back to the community. Through service such as this they are able to take time and reflect on our many gifts and blessings and take an active part in sharing this spirit of gratitude with our community. Through both faith and works, the employees of Crumley take part in one of our Christian missions of service to one another.



"This is a great event we do every year where we can actually take some time to come out and help. The Day of Service is one of our long-standing office and client events that is always well attended and received. It's a real joy to be in the community with the organizations we have helped in the past and it is inspiring to see how big and well-organized of an operation it is here at the Saint Vincent de Paul Warehouse" said Douglas Crumley, Advisor and Owner of Crumley & Associates. Thanks to Doug, Gerardo, and everyone that worked in the food locker that day.

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WELCOME TO THE SVDP TEAM!



Anastasia Efstathiou recently joined our Advisory Board. Ms. Efstathiou has many years of experience in working in both the public and private sectors. She is currently a Vice President with the Public Finance Team for Umpqua Bank. Anastasia has been a long-time member of Saint Anna’s Greek Orthodox Church in Roseville. She has already been invaluable in working on our committee for Big Day of Giving and looks forward to many more collaborative opportunities with St. Anna’s.



John Arizucuren has also joined our Advisory Board. John is the president of Fabri Steel West, which specializes in metal building construction. Earlier this year John began to volunteer in our food locker. He and his wife Lisa are members of St. Joseph Marelo Catholic Parish in Granite Bay. John will be working as part of the committee planning our Anniversary Dinner coming in September.



Faith-Based Partnerships



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St. Joseph Marelo Catholic Church



SS Peter & Paul Catholic Church



St. Clare Catholic Church

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