



## Are you interested in volunteering or supporting Gg's House?

- 1. Pick items from below to donate
- 2. Become a monthly donor
- 3. Hold an item drive (ex. Towel Drive)

### Items always needed

Backpacks for adults & kids Bath Towels Batteries Diapers Kitchen Towels Pots & Pans Shampoo & Conditioner Silverware Toothbrushes & Toothpaste Bandages Bar Soap (travel size & regular) Clear Storage Totes Dish Soap Laundry Soap Sanitary Feminine Products Shower Curtains & Rings Sleeping Bags Wash Clothes

Contact Gg's House for more details.

We accept donations only on <u>Tuesdays and Wednesdays</u> during regular hours unless pre-arranged. Please do not drop off donations when we are closed.

Gg's House depends solely on donations (and grants) in order to continue our mission helping those in need. Currently, we're able to accept your financial donation using one of the following methods:

\*Cash

\*Checks

\*Venmo- Search for either Angel Sheets or ggshouse

\*Paypal-Send it to ggshouse@yahoo.com or use 503-359-3871

\*Facebook-Donation Button on our Gg's House Facebook page

\*Set up a reoccurring payment to Gg's House at your bank

Thank you to our monthly donors for being a "Piece of our Puzzle"



Would you like to start receiving our newsletter electronically? If you would, please send your email address to ggshouse@yahoo.com



# **Volunteer Spotlight**

## \*Shelby Thompson"

Shelby came to Gg's House about 18 months ago to obtain help. He began working at the food bank and when we transitioned the food bank to Gg's House, he started volunteering regularly. He helps us with many things; carrying heavy items, helping load and unload, but mostly he helps by talking to others as they come to our door. He shows compassion and understanding and prayer to all he comes in contact with.

We enjoy Shelby since he comes ready to help. He always check in with everyone to make sure each of us are doing well. He brings a new energy to Gg's House. Shelby we appreciate all you do for us at Gg's House!!

Angel asked Shelby if he would share some of his story and how Gg's House has helped him, below is his story:

"My name is Shelby Thompson. I have been out of prison for 18 months. Gg's House has been a huge cornerstone to my recovery. "Be still and know that I am God" is one of my favorite scriptures. Gg's is a refuge for me and I am able to have stillness. Gg's is an awesome place to be myself. I don't have to worry about being judged. Gg's is a place of laughter and mentorship . This year has been a tough year for all of us. One thing I have learned from Gg's House is that regardless of how tough things are, there is always someone who needs encouragement, food, clothes, friends, prayer, etc. Gg's is a pillar of light in our community. I'm grateful to have known Gg's. Every time I think of myself I'm always reminded of Gg's that takes no thought for itself. Jesus always talked about esteeming others as greater than yourself. Gg's is a perfect example of that scripture. Without Gg's House, growth and change would not be present in my life. My relationship with Christ is more intimate just by being around Gg's House and the people that work there. Gg's House effects my mind, body, and spirit with love, joy, and laughter. I aint gonna lie, I have never laughed this much in my life .The most important recipe for life is laughter and their aint no way u go to Gg's House and not leave with a smile on your face. Thank you for all your support Gg's House.

**Question of the Month** 

#### Where do you receive your funding? Church/state agencies??

#### Answer:

We are 100% supported by our generous donors who live in and around our community. We do not receive funding from local churches or any state agencies. Occasionally we're awarded a grant we use to continue serving those on need.

Gg's House will answer one or two questions a month. If you would like to submit questions please send them to ggshouse@yahoo.com and put in subject line "Newsletter Question". We hope this will help people get to know us better.





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# **Love Story**

Our Love Story this month is about paying it forward.

Since we don't want our expired food to go to waste, we've found several individuals in our community who've been happy to take out of date food for their farm animals.

One of these individuals was at Gg's House loading his animal food, when he over heard Angel talking with a homeless person who was living in their car. They were out of gas and hoped we'd be able to help with financial assistance. Unfortunately, financial assistance is not something we're able to do at this time.

The individual who was picking up expired food for his animals gave the homeless person \$20.00 dollars for gas.

Please remember to live your life with a giving heart, since you never know the other person's story. Even sharing a smile with a stranger might be just what they need to know they're worth that smile.

