

## The Story of how GG's House got it's name

Many of you are probably wondering how "Ggs House" got its name....

Here is our story:

It all started because Angel & Steve felt God was leading them to "Getting & Giving" to people in need. They wondered how they'd get items to give. Angel started by buying stuff at Goodwill and finding things that people might use. They even gave away their personal items. Soon other sources asked if they wanted donations, and their small garage was overflowing. People were receiving armloads of items they desperately needed, and they started to pray for a bigger space. In 2016 they took the next step to rent a space knowing they would have to trust in God to provide funds for rent. God always provided. At that time, they realized the "Getting and Giving" was growing bigger and they needed to take the next step and become a nonprofit.

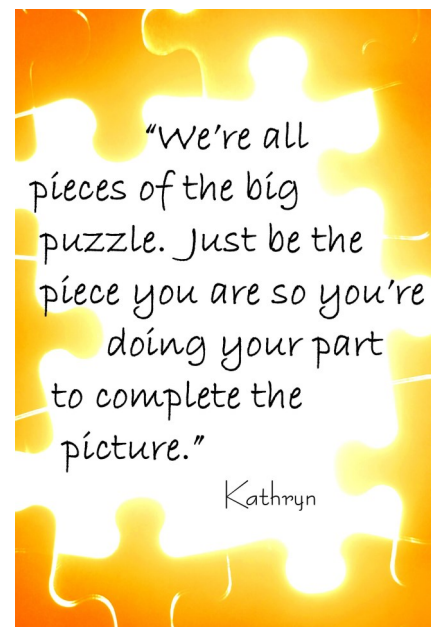
One of the first steps with becoming a nonprofit (501c3) is to apply for an EIN number and create a logo and name. Angel had a visually impaired friend she shared her vision with. Although Angel's friend couldn't see clearly, she did however see in the spiritual realm with extreme clarity. Angel's friend saw a capital "G" with a little "g" inside of the larger "G". A piece of paper was provided while she put her vision to paper and that's how the name "Gg's House" was born. Angel's friend did not know that Gg was what her grandkids already called her!

Six weeks later all the official paperwork for Ggs House to become a 501c3 was completed. Angel and Steve had all their "ducks in a row" to become the nonprofit that began with God telling them they needed to start "Getting and Giving". Angel is always amazed that God uses her because she feels that she is not that special. Everyone who knows Angel Sheets knows she is what we all need to strive for, obedient, willing, loves people... God takes care of the rest. It never surprises Angel when God makes the process miraculous..

The rest is history....



*The Giving House*



**"You Be You"-Angel**



## **We have been very busy**

During January and February we were working hard to get our new space in Forest Grove setup. Moving items and making plans to grow our existing programs.

Then Covid-19!

We saw the number of people needing help increase. Places that usually help those in need shut down and people were not able to work. We quickly switched our plan to focus our energy on how to help during this crisis. Everyone did what they could from home or in the field. We had volunteers willing to continue filling orders, deliver food and mask making supplies. Our volunteers were working from home doing sorting and bagging items, mailing mask making supplies, and buying items we needed. Through this time our regular volunteers were not allowed in the building to help sort and organize donations. As we were getting bigger than normal loads (6 to 7 loads a week) Gg's House became a "Hot Mess." Even with the hot mess, we were able and still are committed to fulfill the needs of all those who contact us.

Angel Sheets (our director) saw a need in our community for another food pantry to ease the load on other food banks in the area. We quickly had Crossroads Church offering us a space to use, and volunteers stepping in so we could open our food pantry. The last day of the food pantry was June 26th, 2020.

We will continue to have a little food pantry at Gg's House for emergencies and for those not able to make it to other food banks in the area.

We are now helping people with their needs by appointment only with social distancing guidelines in place.

We are not sure what will happen in the coming months but know Gg's House will be here to help wherever we can.

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

**1. Pick items off of the list below to donate**

**2. Become a monthly donor**

**3. Hold an item drive (ex. Towel Drive)**

Contact Gg's House for more details.

### **Some of the Items Always in Need**

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



“Everyone has untold stories of pain and sadness that make them love and live a little differently than you do. Stop judging, instead try to understand.”  
Anonymous



“Thank you Gg’s House. My name is Chris and Gg’s House helped me with hygiene products, clothes, a backpack and shoes. Gg’s House was there for me on my birthday.”



“Thanks Gg’s House for helping me reunite with my daughter,. Gg’s House has helped me become the super hero in my daughter’s life again.”



“Thanks Gg’s House. I was able to give my Dad his first birthday present in ten years. Gg’s house gives me hope and strength to be there for my family. Ka kaw, thank you guys, much love and respect.”

## Meet our Board

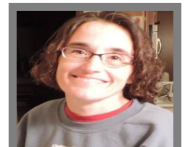


### **Angel -Gg's Director/President**

Gg's is truly a GOD thing He continues to show me daily how amazing He is. I could tell you story after story. One of my favorite saying is "You be You" we all have different talents, strengthens and weakness. We are pieces of a puzzle, making every piece important. My husband Steve and I live with 2 dogs and a goat. He supports me in anything I decide needs to be done and he spoils me. We have 3 grown sons who I am very proud of.

### **Tina-Gg's Treasurer**

My duties include keeping our books in order, paying bills and other paperwork so Gg's House can continue to do what we do best helping people. You can find me most days at Gg's House helping receive items, doing inventory, sorting, putting items away and doing whatever else needs to be done. I also help fulfill orders. I enjoy my position at Gg's, since every day we never know what will be donated and/or who we will meet. In my spare time I enjoy traveling, reading, doing jigsaw puzzles, and enjoy visiting with friends and family. I've been married 20 years and we have an 16 year old son.



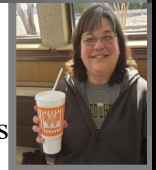
### **Diana Gg's Vice President**

My husband Don and I moved to an old farm house on 1.19 acres in Forest Grove from Beaverton 3 years ago. It was a HUGE remodeling opportunity both inside and out and we initially spent all our extra time involved in our project. Once we could see the light at the end of the tunnel, we started looking for a new church home and opportunities here in Forest Grove. I work at John L Scott and one of my coworkers sent me to Angel and I've been lucky enough to be helping Gg's House for the last year and 1/2. We have two pups; Lilly and Polly, six chickens; Rosie, Stella, Penny, Mable, Lucy and Ethel and a hive of bees keeping us plenty busy on our little "farm". We enjoy camping in any spare time we can find and also enjoy getting to know our community.



**Melanie –  
Gg’s Media  
Coordinator**

I mostly do behind the scenes favorite part stuff for Gg’s. My favorite part is communicating with donors, sending thank you cards and information about how their generosity has helped Gg’s do what we do. Because I spend way too much time on social media I try to come up with informative and encouraging posts for Gg’s Facebook page. Recently I have been helping with the food bank, overseeing the packing of dry food boxes and helping wherever needed. Having background in accounting and office management I tend to gravitate toward numbers, so I also track our inventory of food items and communicate with the Oregon Food Bank. I have a passion for the San Francisco Giants, Vacation Bible School and children’s ministry. I have been married for 37 years and have two sons age 19 and 21 and a 16-year-old daughter.



**Sheila-Gg’s  
Communications  
Coordinator**

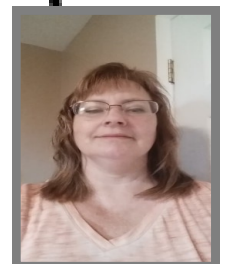
I communicate with a wide variety of organizations that assist local people. We work together to bring supplies and resources to people that are in need. These include teachers/students/schools, nursing homes, veterans services, disability services, senior citizens and more. Outside of GG's: I have been a nurse for 27 years and I work in the ICU at Tuality Hospital. I enjoy hiking, horse back riding, and traveling. I love all animals and currently have 2 horses, 2 dogs, and 2 cats.



**Terri –Gg’s Secretary**

I am the secretary at Gg's. I am currently transporting food from a local store to the food bank at Crossroads Church. For the past 5 years I have also helped run the Clothes Closet in Gaston.

A little something about me is that in my spare time I love to read and am always looking for the next good book.





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The Number of People GGs House Helped  
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