



ASSISTANT DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE



Jill and Sherwin Crooks

We have served at the Humanitarian Center for 13 years. It is a privilege to serve here. We get to witness the good things that are happening in our community. In a world with many problems and much cruelty, we love serving with caring people who want to make the community a better place to live. We are blessed to see humanity!

During our service we have been surprised by the need for humanitarian aid in our area. We are pleased to live where we have so many wonderful agencies with volunteers who are willing to provide services that help those in need. We are grateful that the Idaho Falls Area Humanitarian Center can assist by providing a few of those needs.

The reasons for needing assistance are varied. It is not our job to judge the circumstances that determine those needs. One never knows when they may be in similar circumstances. We feel that it is a moral and civic responsibility and privilege to help the less fortunate when we have the ability and means to do so.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

- 4 SEPT LABOR DAY
5 SEPT 6:30 PM IFAHC OPEN EVENING FOR YOUTH
13 SEPT 8 AM IFAHC EXECUTIVE MEETING
13 SEPT IFAHC OPEN HOUSE
14 SEPT ... 6:30 PM IFAHC OPEN EVENING FOR ADULTS ONLY
16 SEPT SPUD DAY
19 SEPT 6:30 PM IFAHC OPEN EVENING FOR YOUTH
21 SEPT IFAHC BOARD MEETING

YOU ARE INVITED!
IDAHO FALLS HUMANITARIAN CENTER
OPEN HOUSE
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13
10AM-3PM AND 6PM-8PM
1415 NORTHGATE MILE, IDAHO FALLS
TOUR THE FACILITY WORK ON A PROJECT HAVE A TREAT
JOIN OUR EMAIL LIST AND BE ENTERED TO WIN A PRIZE!

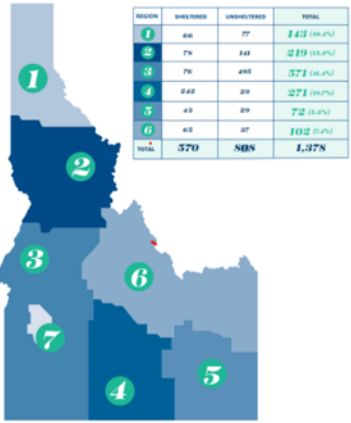
YOU CAN SERVE AND DONATE 3 SIMPLE WAYS ALL YEAR ROUND!
TIME Join us on a project from 10AM-3PM on Tuesdays and Wednesdays.
ITEMS Visit our website for current needs. FUNDS Donate now, we have Venmo!



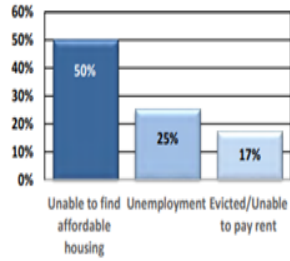
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The state of Idaho has been spared from much of the natural disasters that have occurred elsewhere that add to the humanitarian and homeless needs. However, with the recent growth of our state, the occurrence of homelessness in Idaho is growing. Below is a chart of the homelessness population by county in Idaho in 2022.

SNAPSHOT OF IDAHO HOMELESSNESS



2022 Top 3 Circumstances Preventing Being Housed



The IFAHC also provides services to help the agencies working with mental health, drug and alcohol rehabilitation, domestic violence, child protection, pregnancy assistance, education, and family counselling. We serve over 140 agencies including schools and faith groups. We are grateful to be able to serve this wonderful organization and work with the dedicated and amazing volunteers that we love and admire. We invite all those who want to serve to join us and experience the joy of making a positive difference in our community. <https://www.idahohousing.com/documents/ihfa-2022-pit-summary.pdf>



LAST MONTH'S IMPACT

- Individual center workers..... 338
- First-time volunteers 20
- Onsite service hours 5,535
- Offsite service hour..... 3,530
- Total center items produced 4,299



GUEST SPEAKERS



Eric and Nyota Davenport were guest speakers representing Andre's House and Lady Liberty. The agency was started by Eric's mother after tragically losing a son in a drowning at the Snake River in Idaho Falls. Andre's House is a treatment facility for recovery from drug and alcohol abuse.

They provide a safe and sober halfway home. They have counseling and recovery coaches. Their clients are referred by other agencies in Idaho Falls area. The average stay time at their facility is from 2 months to a year and a half. Their clients are expected to help with their housekeeping and other chores. They express their gratitude to the center for providing them with many of their needs, including quilts, hygiene kits, and cleaning supplies. They also express their gratitude for our friendly delivery people.

EVENING VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

- Youth Groups—1st and 3rd Tuesdays 6:30-8:30
- Adults Only—2nd Thursday of each month
- Reservation Required—Contact Doug 208-681-0083



WAYS TO DONATE



- In person or by mail:
- 1415 Northgate Mile, Idaho Falls, ID 83401
- PayPal; Venmo;

Hours: Tuesday & Wednesday 10 am – 3 pm
 Tuesday Evenings by appointment only

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Employees of Idaho Central Credit Union spent the evening volunteering at the Center. Thank you!



GUEST SPEAKER

Tami Moore, Aid for Friends Shelter Manager came to speak with us. The Aid for Friends motto is “Sheltering our Community with Kindness.” Aid for Friends has a new shelter with an open floor plan, and it is all on one level now! The new shelter has handicap bathrooms and showers to better serve more people in the community. The new shelter can serve up to 104 people at one time. Aid for Friends offers housing programs and homelessness prevention. Their goal is to provide a welcoming environment as the people they serve move toward self-sufficiency. Tami thanked the Humanitarian Center for hygiene kits, toilet paper, and cleaning products that are needed regularly at their shelter.



Tami Moore

We love participating in the Roaring Youth Jam in Idaho Falls!



DONATIONS NEEDED

- LAUNDRY DETERGENT
- DEODORANT
- BABY WIPES
- TOILET PAPER
- TOOTH BRUSHES
- 4 PLY YARN
- COTTON YARN
- HYGIENE KIT SUPPLIES
- SPIRAL NOTEBOOKS
- GLUE STICKS



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