



Idaho Falls Area
Humanitarian Center

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ASSISTANT DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE



Thick, thin, soft, rough, short, fat, solid, variegated. Yarn is like people. So if you need a **hug** and no one is around hug an afghan.



By Bernice Barrentine



VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT



Alicia Peterson works at the Idaho Falls Humanitarian Center with her mother Peggy Crandall on Wednesday's. Alicia is originally from South Jordan

but has lived in Provo, Taylorsville, West Jordan, South Jordan, Odgen, and Seattle.

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GUEST SPEAKER



On May 6 we heard from Gloria Santillan-Bonneville School District, Isabel Sorensen—Jefferson School district, Lilia Rojas—School district 91 from the Migrant

Education Programs in District 93, 91 and Rigby Schools. This organization is available to school-age migrant or homeless children who have a hard time attending school. They come from families who work on farms and “follow the crops,” or fisheries, and struggle to attend school regularly. The goal of the MEP is to make sure those students are no longer invisible. They are provided with breakfast and lunch while at school, and there are summer camps and classes available for them. If they want to participate in extra-curricular activities there is financial aid available from the school districts.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

3 JUN 6:30 PM IFAHC YOUTH NIGHT BY RESERVATION
11 JUN 8 AM IFAHC EXECUTIVE MEETING
12 JUN 6:30 PM IFAHC OPEN EVENING FOR ADULTS ONLY
14 JUN FLAG DAY
15 JUN FATHER'S DAY
17 JUN 6:30 PM IFAHC YOUTH NIGHT BY RESERVATION
19 JUN 5 PM IFAHC BOARD MEETING
1 JUL—12 JUL CENTER CLOSED FOR CLEANING

Hours: Tuesday & Wednesday 10 am – 3 pm

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Guest speaker continued

If buses are not available and parents can't afford to drive them to school, gas cards are available.

To qualify for aid, the families meet with a program worker to have their situation assessed. Some families are living with other families, some live in campers or motels. Some live in places where they have no electricity or water. This agency serves with the hope for a better future for the students.

IFAHC provides the students with quilts, folder games, wooden toys, and hygiene kits.

Volunteer Spotlight continued

She is a proud mom of twin 23 year old boys, and 18 year old boy who graduates this year and a 13 year old girl.

She also served a mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in the audio visual department at church head quarters where she had wonderful experiences.

She currently works at Thors Chocolate, which can be found at local farmers markets. In her spare time she likes to vacation with her husband who has decided just recently that he likes cruises. Her favorite thing to do is camping and boating. Her favorite vacation so far is Cancun.

She has a love for horses. When she was a child she had a horse named Natasha which was an Arabian. She recalls riding one her dads Morgans down main street in the middle of the night after their trailer broke down, which was awesome.

She loves to serve at the center as it is the highlight of her week, especially if Sami Rucks is there too. She feels that all of the volunteers are an inspiration, of all the things they could be doing they chose to come and serve.

WAYS TO DONATE

ifareahumanitariancenter.org/donate

In person or by mail
1415 Northgate Mile
Idaho Falls, ID 83401



LAST MONTH'S IMPACT

Individual center workers.....	306
First-time volunteers	4
Onsite service hours	4592
Offsite service hour.....	9058
Total center items produced	2523



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Tuesday Evenings by appointment only

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FOR YOUR INFORMATION

On the Global Youth Service Day the youth assembled and donated 1962 kits.

The Yellowstone Ward of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints donated over 110 hygiene kits to the center.

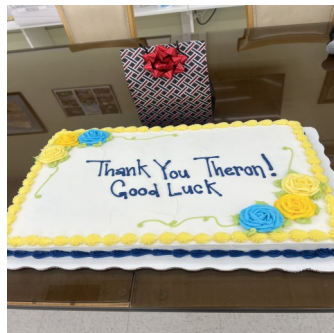
We also had Rigby 20th Ward visited the center, had a tour and video and donated their time.

We would like to thank them for their time and donations.



Westmark Credit Union Idaho Falls employees came in on the 20th and donated their time and service. Along with that they also brought in a large donation of cleaning supplies.

Good Luck to Theron Hurst on his mission to the Dominican Republic. Thank you for your 4 years of service at the center. We will miss you.



DONATIONS NEEDED

ALL PURPOSE CLEANER
SHAVE CREAM
DEODORANT
BLEACH
BABY WIPES
TOILET PAPER
YARN 2,3, 4 PLY
HYGIENE KIT SUPPLIES

EVENING VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Youth Groups—1st and 3rd Tuesdays 6:30-8:30

Adults Only—2nd Thursday of each month

Reservation Required—Contact Randy 208-589-4974

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