



Fall 2019

at The Caring Place

The Caring Place Helps Stabilize Families

Support. Rapport. Trust. Motivation. These are just a few words that support the case manager-client relationship. Case management is a mutual partnership between a client and staff professional who work together to identify barriers to self-sufficiency, and then, develop goals and connect with resources to overcome them. The overall premise is that when an individual reaches self-sufficiency, everyone wins: the individual, their support system and their community.



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Recognizing that affordable housing is a tremendous challenge affecting families in the community, Georgetown Health Foundation, a long-time supporter, reached out to The Caring Place (TCP) about expanding our established case management

programs to support housing stability. The Stable Families Program (SFP) emerged as an opportunity to assist clients in addressing housing affordability and stabilization. SFP began in July as an enhancement to TCP's current crisis assistance, coupling comprehensive case management and direct financial assistance to eligible clients. Through a client-centered, strengths-based approach, SFP facilitates a continuity of care by coordinating client access to an array of services within TCP and the community, allowing clients to actively participate in getting needs met in order to live more independent, fulfilling lives. The program hopes to support an increased quality of living and housing stability within a twelve-month period.

Thanks to Georgetown Health Foundation's backing of the Stable Families Program, The Caring Place has hired two additional staff members to facilitate and support the Stable Families Program and our other case management programs, bringing our Programs and Services staff count to eight. Four of these

Gratitude

Tim benefits from The Caring Place Food Programs and Case Management services. One day he came for another reason - to say thank you. The statement

he made to us explained it all. "When you believe in something like I do, and you benefit like I have, you need to say thank you. So, thank you!" Tim's appreciation speaks a lot about his character. When we asked around about Tim, we discovered he's the type of neighbor that opens doors for people, the kind that brings empty grocery carts back to the Food Pantry and the kind that lets others go ahead of him in line. The Caring Place is honored to serve in a generous community. This organization has the opportunity to impact the lives of thousands of people each year with the help of its community. We are equally honored to serve neighbors like Tim. If you have ever given to The Caring Place or volunteered, his thanks is meant for you, too!



staff members are bilingual. Over the course of the program's first year, The Caring Place aims to serve 35 families through the Stable Families Program. In just three months, TCP has already built trusting relationships with nine families. The Caring Place looks forward to seeing how this program can positively impact families as they navigate affordable living strategies.



Deep in the Heart of Caring 2019

On October 5th, The Caring Place hosted its annual fundraising event at Schwerter Ranch Event Center. After a rustic dinner under a canopy of lights, guests listened to a testimony by Donald Thomas. He shared how he makes ends meet with only \$791.00 each month. With a lot of discipline and the help of The Caring Place, Donald was happy to share some positive news in his life, like paying off debt by utilizing The Caring Place's Alternative Loan Program and maintaining his rent payments during his recovery from a heart aneurysm. Donald is feeling a lot more financially independent these days, but said, "If I need something, I know I can go to The Caring Place." The standing ovation he received meant guests were ready to participate in an exciting time of giving with live and silent auctions. Finally, our supporters danced the night away listening to our musical guest, Rick Trevino. Thank you to all of you who came out to support the work of The Caring Place. You are making a difference in your local community and your impact is not forgotten.



Welcome 2019-2020 Board Members

The Caring Place is happy to welcome one new member to our Board of Directors for 2019-20. Kyra Quenan was elected to the Board during The Caring Place Annual Meeting on June 24, 2019. Board Members are elected to serve a three-year term. The Caring Place also welcomed Holly Stevens as our new Board of Directors President.

We deeply appreciate the faithful leadership and support of our outgoing Board member Todd Holubec. Finally, we want to give special thanks to the 2019 Nominating Committee, chaired by Stephen Benold, with Holly Stevens, Susan Richmond, Geri Scheer and Pat Hooper.



Back Row, left to right: Paul Jordan, Stephen Schlobohm, Rev. Harriett Jones, Hugh Brown, Kyra Quenan, Dayne Carlson, Holly Stevens, Rhonda Wilson Front Row, left to right: Gwen DiCapo, Patricia Khoury, Frank Espinosa, Ken Poteete, Sheron Scurlock, Not Pictured: Stephen Benold, Susan Richmond

News & Events

Hunger Free Holidays is Under Way: Oct. 1 - Dec. 31

Did you know 1 in 5 children in Williamson County are food insecure? Help us restock the Food Pantry during the holidays through our **Hunger-Free Holidays Food Drive**. Our goal is to collect 300,000 pounds by the end of the year. You can help area families by donating non-perishable food or by conducting a food drive in your community, neighborhood, business or organization. You may also donate online to the Food Pantry at www.caringplacetx.org/donate.



With every \$1 donated we can purchase 35 pounds of food. For your convenience, you can donate to our Food Pantry from our website.

Did you know 1 in 4 children in Texas struggle with hunger? Help us make a difference in Williamson County.

Take non-perishables to our Donation Drive Through at 2000 Railroad Avenue. Open: Mon-Sat, 9 am - 4 pm

www.caringplacetx.org/donate Borrow a blue barrel for your Food Drive by calling David Earl at 512-943-0710.



Sweets, Treat & Trees: Nov. 14

Our biggest holiday shopping event of the year is almost here! Join us at 2000 Railroad Avenue from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. on Thursday, November 14th. On this night, our store reveals a holiday wonderland that is sure to put you in a festive mood. You can shop 'til you drop through aisles and aisles of holiday clothes, dishes, jewelry, decor, art, gifts and more! Let's do some "Shopping for Good" this holiday season.

Holiday Open House at Second Helping: Nov. 20

Can't get enough holiday shopping at The Caring Place? Join us at Second Helping at 3700 Williams Drive for a Holiday Open House on November 20th from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Find all the charm you have grown to love at this store, but add a whole bunch of holiday flare!

Amplify Georgetown 2020: March 5

Due to remarkable community participation, generous Board Members providing a match and St. David's Foundation further boosting those gifts, Amplify Georgetown 2019 was our most successful Amplify event to date. You show us every year how important you think The Caring Place is in this community. We hope we can count on you again in 2020. Look for events and learning opportunities surrounding this online giving event in January. The Caring Place hopes to motivate and inspire you on its Facebook page @thecaringplace and on its website at www.caringplacetx.org/amplify. We can Amplify The Caring Place together in 2020!



Amplify
GEORGETOWN



Food Pantry Expansion & Rededication

On September 10th, The Caring Place Food Pantry completed a much needed expansion. To celebrate all the wonderful people and volunteers who contributed their time and talents, the organization held a Food Pantry Rededication and Open House. Over 100 supporters came together to tour and celebrate the new space. The Food Pantry now enjoys a welcoming reception area, more shelf and working space, better traffic flow and increased education and nutrition information.



You are
Invited
to...

the 12th Annual

Sweets, Treats & Trees



♥ When?

Thursday,
November 14th
6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

♥ Where?

The Shops at The Caring Place
2000 Railroad Avenue
Georgetown, Texas

Things to know...

November 13th: The Shops at The Caring Place Closes at Noon

November 14th: Store reopens from 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. for event

Admission: non-perishable food item or monetary donation

tree & holiday home decor - collectibles - wrapping paper & cards - lights - gifts
holiday clothing - art - live music - cookies - door prizes

Let's do more "Shopping for Good" at The Caring Place this year!

Join us for a Holiday Open House at Second Helping at 3700 Williams Drive on November 20th! Hours: 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

*The Mission of The Caring Place is to provide for the basic human needs of all people in our community in a welcoming, respectful and caring way.
Our Vision is to be the leader in stewardship and service in Texas.*



www.caringplacetx.org
512.943.0700

(NO DROP-OFF donations accepted at this location)
Monday - Saturday, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
3700 Williams Drive, Georgetown

Second Helping Thrift Store

Monday - Saturday, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Donation Drop-Off Area

Monday - Saturday, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Open Thursdays until 7:00 p.m.

The Shops at The Caring Place Thrift Store

Monday - Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Open Thursdays until 6:00 p.m.

Programs & Services

Hours & Locations

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The Caring Place



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