

MOM DANIELLE FIND A STABLE HOME

Message from CHRISTIE HOLDEREGGER President & CEO

As we approach the holiday season, I am constantly reminded of the incredible power that lies within our community. It is in our collective spirit of giving that we discover an extraordinary capacity to uplift people's lives and create lasting impact.

Thanks to you, families in need have access to emergency shelter, and Veterans receive the hope and support they deserve. Seniors find safety and care, knowing that there are people like you who say "yes" to those who are alone. Your kindness has already made a significant difference in their lives.

However, I wholeheartedly believe that together, we can bring more people out of the shadows and into the light with love and dignity. I invite you to continue this remarkable journey with us—a journey that has the power to build a healthy community, one person at a time. Your gift, regardless of its size, can transform a life.

To help you navigate your giving options, we have prepared a gift catalog. I encourage you to look through it, share it with others, and gather your friends and family around the table to make a collective decision on how you can make an impact this holiday season. Every gift you choose has the potential to save a life, heal a soul, and build a healthy community for all.

With your help during the winter months, we will provide safe shelter, nutritious meals, and essential items to 4,000 individuals and families. I am asking you today to share your warmth and love with those who are struggling and frightened. Your support will ensure their wellbeing.

During this season of joy and giving, I wish you an abundance of happiness and fulfillment. May the power of giving continue to inspire and guide us, as we work together to create healthy communities for all.

With heartfelt appreciation, Your friend and partner,

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Choose gift or gift(s).



Send your envelope in the mail.



Your gift will make a huge difference, no matter the amount, and will be matched up to **\$100,000** thanks to a group of generous donors who believe in the powerful work taking place in our community. Will you join them and double your impact?



By selecting a gift through this catalog, you are partnering with VOA in the life-changing work that takes place every day in your community. You will provide basic needs, housing, and supportive services to men, women, and families who are experiencing homelessness, have lost jobs, homes and suffered tremendous abuse and neglect.

Where does my money go

YOU CAN SERVE A VETERAN

make a life-changing impact.

As you know, many Veterans carry heavy burdens after their years of service. Whether it's PTSD, depression, or anxiety their world can quickly slip from under their feet. Leslie returned from Iraq severely wounded and had no place to turn to for support. With support from VOA, Leslie is now housed and employed. You can change the lives of other Veterans like Leslie by giving them the supportive services they need.



YOU CAN PROVIDE 1 WEEK OF MEALS TO **A VETERAN IN YOUR** COMMUNITY **ITEM #101**



YOU CAN GIFT A VETERAN 1 NIGHT OF SAFE HOUSING ITEM #102



YOU CAN PROVIDE LIFE-**CHANGING CASE MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR 1 WEEK** ITEM #103



YOU CAN CHANGE A VETERAN'S FUTURE BY PROVIDING EMPLOYMENT TRAINING AND EQUIPMENT FOR THEIR NEW JOB ITEM #104

"Previously when I looked for help I was told I was too old or too disabled. VOA was a light at the end of a very dark tunnel for me."

A simple meal can provide hope and it can open the door for someone like Leslie that will





"Finding housing for me and my kids changed everything. Thank you for giving us somewhere safe and believing in us."

You understand and have experienced the stresses of maintaining a job, finding housing, and figuring out where the next meal will come from. Can you relate to Danielle and the feeling of relief she felt when she found a place to call home?

Many single parents struggle to keep their families warm and safe during hard times. Danielle's family found themselves hopping from motel to motel struggling to find somewhere they could truly feel at home.

You can uplift and encourage local families and provide them with the resources they need to find a home.



YOU CAN GIVE NOURISHING MEALS TO A FAMILY FOR A DAY ITEM #105



YOU CAN PROVIDE TRANSPORTATION TO WORK AND APPOINTMENTS FOR A WEEK ITEM #106 \$500

YOU CAN PROVIDE 1 WEEK OF WARM AND SAFE HOUSING ITEM #107

YOU CAN CHANGE A FAMILY THROUGH EMPLOYMENT TRAINING

It can be difficult for a single parent or an unhoused individual who has been out of the workforce to reenter. The cost of transportation and child care for someone to attend GED classes can be a barrier. You can help alleviate the stress by providing access to training and tools that will lead to employment.





YOU CAN HELP A FAMILY MOVE INTO THEIR OWN HOME

You can help a family experience the excitement of moving into their own home. You can put smiles on children's faces as they set up their own room and bed, and feel taken care of and safe.



YOU CAN PROVIDE ACCESS TO GED CLASSES AND TOOLS THAT WILL LEAD TO EMPLOYMENT

ITEM #108



YOU CAN HELP A FAMILY GET HOUSED WITH LOVE AND BASIC NEEDS TO GET STARTED

ITEM #109

"I was living out on the street in a tent. It was scary and no one had my back. Getting the support I needed helped me keep pushing and gave me the confidence to believe in myself."

For someone currently living outdoors, **food**, **shelter**, **warmth**, **and safety are critical**. You can provide access to life-saving services. Someone like **Darion**, who was living in a tent by the river. He just needed a place to start his journey out of homelessness. You can step in and provide that hand up. You can help restore dignity in the lives of those struggling in your community.

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YOU CAN PROVIDE 1 MONTH OF PET FOOD ITEM #110



WEEK OF HOT MEALS ITEM #111



YOU CAN HELP SOMEONE WITH CLEAN, WARM CLOTHES ITEM #112



YOU CAN HELP PROVIDE A NIGHT OF SHELTER

Conditions of living outdoors can be challenging and dangerous, especially in the winter. By providing shelter, you help foster hope in someone's life. Once someone's basic needs are met, such as shelter, they can focus on other needs. Many individuals who have been unhoused need help acquiring essential items such as an ID or birth certificate. A case manager can connect our clients to resources to meet mental health needs, housing assistance, employment services, and more.



YOU CAN PROVIDE 1 NIGHT OF SHELTER ITEM #113

YOU CAN CHANGE A LIFE THROUGH CASE MANAGEMENT



YOU CAN PROVIDE ESSENTIAL CASE MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR 1 WEEK ITEM #114 "With my retirement money gone, I had to leave my home. I'm thankful that there was a place I could go."

The tragic reality in our community is that more seniors find themselves in shelters, displaced, forgotten and abused. For those who can no longer work or are medically impaired, being forced to live on the streets can be devastating. For a senior like Connie, having a place to call home means everything. You can change the life of more seniors like Connie, who is no longer alone and forgotten, she is safe and home.



YOU CAN PROVIDE TRANSPORTATION TO MEDICAL APPOINTMENTS ITEM #115



YOU CAN PROVIDE MEDICAL ASSISTANCE ITEM #116



YOU CAN PROVIDE 1 WEEK OF SHELTER ITEM #117





YOU CAN MAKE LIFE-CHANGING SERVICES AVAILABLE TO MEN LIKE HERSHEL

Connect a senior with essential case management services. Each case manager works to help guide our seniors into a permanent home that they will feel comfortable in. Caseworkers take into account special needs and requests to give our seniors the best possible options.

> YOU CAN PROVIDE ESSENTIAL CASE MANAGEMENT SERVICES ITEM #118



YOU CAN HOUSE A SENIOR

Permanent and affordable housing is critical for seniors, as it provides them with a safe, stable, and secure environment where they can rebuild their lives after experiencing neglect. Beyond addressing their immediate housing needs, they can be a part of a community once again. Housing offers neglected seniors the opportunity to regain control over their lives and give them the dignity they deserve.

> YOU CAN GIVE PERMANENT HOUSING FOR A SENIOR ITEM #119



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VOA Northern California and Northern Nevada has been serving communities throughout the region since 1896. As one of the largest providers of social services, we operate more than 40 programs that serve men, women, children, Veterans and seniors experiencing the most difficult times in their lives.

VOA is proud to partner with donors, public and private funders, and organizations that believe in our transformative work and help us adapt to the growing needs in our community. More than 4,000 men, women, and children find safety in one of our programs every night with services provided that include case management, employment referrals, shelter, and dignified housing. The mission that fuels our work is to change lives, instill hope, and help our neighbors in need become independent. We invite you to join us in this mission.

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