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thank you

THANK YOU FOR MAKING SO MANY PEOPLE HAPPY, IN SO MANY WAYS. Every year the Tucson community has been incredibly generous about donating hundreds of gifts for the holidays—and this year was no exception! You delivered toys, stuffed animals, clothes, books, games, gift cards, food, and toiletries in a steady stream of generosity. This year, Primavera hosted a Santa's Village event for all the families staying at Primavera's housing programs. Families were able to browse all the wonderful gifts and choose the items they wanted to give each other, making it feel just a bit more like a holiday celebration. Gift wrapping, games, and food made the day a real event. And, we couldn't have done it without you.

Because of you ...

45

families from our Greyhound Family Shelter, and our transitional and permanent affordable rental housing programs had a great holiday.

165

people spent the day at a winter wonderland of games, gifts, and celebration.

100

children met Santa, chose presents for their parents, and left that day with smiles.



VENTANA ASSAY DEVELOPMENT TEAM EFFORT ASSURED THAT EVERY FAMILY AT PRIMAVERA HAD A HOLIDAY MEAL



The Assay Development Team (L to R): Erik Olson, Matthew Duffy, Mark Robida, Jackie Smith, Alton Hiscox, Heather Gustafson, Greg Martin, and Krista Acosta



Over 1,000 pounds of potatoes, hundreds of boxes of stuffing and corn bread, 101 gift cards, 30 team members, and an immeasurable amount of compassion—that’s all it took for Ventana’s Assay Development Team to solve a big holiday challenge for Primavera. Ventana’s team donated 101 food boxes to Primavera for the holidays.

Every year, Primavera provides shopping and gift options for our families (see cover story), and part of making the holiday special is providing a box of food that includes all the food for a special meal. This year, the Ventana Assay Development team purchased, prepared, and delivered all 100 food boxes.

“Thank you. Thank you so much.”

A mother at the Greyhound Family Shelter after receiving the gift card and presents

“Ventana made so many families happy,” said Ashley Krogel, Volunteer Coordinator and party planner for the holidays, “It was fantastic to know exactly when the food boxes were arriving, and know that everybody would get food. Their work allowed us to focus on all of

the other preparations to make the holidays even better.”

Even more importantly, it meant that all our families had the fixings for a special meal.

AMAZING MEAL TEAMS

Primavera’s volunteer meal teams purchase and prepare warm and delicious meals for men and women at the Five Points Transitional Housing and Men’s Emergency Shelter programs. Thank you!

If you are interested in participating in a meal team, contact Ashley Krogel at (520) 308-3110.



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Madeline Pellicer

HOMELESS MEMORIAL DECEMBER 19, 2012



Over 75 people attended this annual ceremony to honor the women and men who die without a safe place to call home.



Patty Valera, Constituent Services, Congressman Ron Barber, Arizona's 8th Congressional District

"My HOPE is when you see a homeless person you will think of my Tata Freddie. He may have looked poor or dirty, but if that is all you saw, then you really missed out. You didn't get to see the funny, kind, generous, silly, thoughtful and special person on the inside. I still love my Tata and I miss him so, so much."

Madeline Pellicer, 5th Grade Student, Davis Bilingual Magnet School



Andy Silverman, Primavera Board Member and Professor at the University of Arizona College of Law, provides orientation to workshop attendees.

RIGHTS RESTORATION WORKSHOP NOVEMBER 8, 2012

The American Civil Liberties Union of Arizona's 2008 report "Breaking Barriers to the Ballot" estimated 176,103 individuals in Arizona were disenfranchised due to felony convictions. That is one out of every 23 Arizonans of voting age barred from the polls despite the fact that almost 44% have fully completed their sentences. We are committed to giving people an opportunity to restore their political voices and make the most of their futures.

Workshop attendees receive assistance restoring their civil rights (the right to vote, run for office, and serve on a jury) and vacating or reclassifying convictions when applicable.

The Rights Restoration Workshops are made possible by a collaboration between Primavera Foundation, the Civil Rights Restoration Clinic of the University of Arizona James E. Rogers College of Law, the Pima County Clerk of the Superior Court, and the Office of the Pima County Public Defender.

RESIDENT LEADERSHIP TRAINING and DEVELOPMENT

The first cohort of the Primavera Leadership Training Program completed the 10 week course which culminated in a community impact project—a neighborhood clean up—on December 8th, 2012. Ten residents successfully completed the course and other residents joined in the planning and implementation of a large neighborhood clean-up. Residents washed the exterior walls and railings of 5 Points, picked up trash and debris around the entire block, swept sidewalks, and planted a lemon tree.

The Primavera Resident Leadership Development Program provides participants with the opportunity to hone leadership skills and the tools, support and opportunity to participate in activities that address important issues in their lives and in the greater community.



COMMUNITY SUPPORT



Marl Ramsey (left) of Desert Hills Lutheran Church hands Michael Finkelstein, Primavera's Chief Development Officer, a check for Primavera women's programs. The Church contributed over \$9,000 to Casa Paloma and Women In Transition (WIT) in 2012. Casa Paloma is a safe, women-only space that provides single, unaccompanied women with respite from the streets and life-sustaining services that include food, water, telephones, daytime shelter, clothing, showers, use of the free on-site laundry facility, free bus passes and companionship. WIT provides a safe, affordable home and intensive Individual Success Plan planning for up to 12 homeless women at a time, who are re-entering the workforce and seeking permanent housing.



Cree Zischke, Vice President Global Philanthropy, (far left) and Patty Feeney, President, Southern Arizona Market (far right) of JPMorgan Chase, give Peggy Hutchison and Michael Finkelstein a \$150,000 check to support Primavera's HomeOwnership and Neighborhood Revitalization Programs.

This grant supports Primavera's HomeOwnership and Financial Education programs. Last year 1,039 people participated in Primavera's Homebuyer Education, Financial Education and Foreclosure Intervention and Prevention workshops, with 99 people buying their first home. The grant also supports neighborhood revitalization efforts through Primavera Works' new social enterprise: providing jobs and job training in water harvesting and xeriscape landscaping.

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