



UNITED SAMARITANS

F O U N D A T I O N

United Samaritans Foundation's mission is to deliver food to people in need in Stanislaus County, and to facilitate the provision of services to assist them in a transition to a better quality of life.

HAPPY NEW YEAR!!

JANUARY 2011

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Christmas Wishes do come true!!

Thank you to all who gave from your hearts and generously donated toys, books, games etc. at Christmas. We were able to distribute gifts to 46 families and 155 children in Turlock and the surrounding areas before Christmas.

Families receiving the gifts were excited and grateful when they picked up their packages. Children were excited as they knew that there would be presents to open on Christmas Morning. Parents were appreciative of the generosity that enable their children to receive gifts for Christmas.

Thank you to Bob and Sue Santos who donated the bears and books, that were distributed from the Turlock Lunch Truck. We saw many happy smiles on the faces of the children who received them on December 23rd.

The homeless in our community were very appreciative of the goodie bags they received containing personal toiletries and miscellaneous smaller items. Thank you!!!

In Hughson, we helped the Hughson Community Christian Service Center, distribute food baskets to 415 families living in the Hughson School District. This project, chaired by Cathee Vaughn and her group of dedicated elves, each year, collect food, toys, blankets, coats, etc. for those in need in the Hughson area.



Christmas Eve Dinner

Thanks to all who helped with our Christmas Dinner. We had many generous donations of food and candy canes. Everyone was able to receive a candy cane. We also had a wonderful turnout of volunteers at all three sites to help prepare and serve meals. We could not have served so many (1,887 meals!) without their help.

Christmas Dinners, which were served from our trucks on December 23rd were as follows:

Turlock Truck Served 483 meals ~ Modesto Truck Served 519 meals

Keyes/Ceres Truck Served 499 meals ~ Hughson Truck Served 386 meals



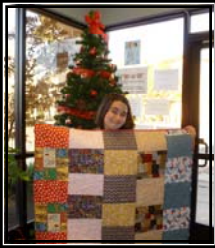


Sophia, Hailey & Alexis

LITTLE ANGELS COME IN SMALL PACKAGES!!

Girl Scout troop 3357 held a canned food drive so that they could earn their bronze award. After they collected the canned food from their neighbors they delivered cans to USF. They sorted all the cans they collected and also sorted the cans that were collected during the Holiday Season through food drives and individual donations.

THANKS TROOP 3357 FOR ALL YOUR HARD WORK!!



Emily

Emily Monson spends her free time using quilt scraps to make wonderful warm quilts for our clothes closet. Our clients are very thankful for community minded individuals like Emily that use their talent to bring warmth to those in need. You are definitely an angel in USF's eyes!! If you know of someone in need our clothes closet is open from 8:30- 4:00 Monday thru Friday. We can always use volunteers to help sort clothing donations!!!

News Years Wish List

We are in need of Men's Jeans 30-36 waist, socks, men & women's gloves, blankets, jackets, sleeping bags, deodorant and laundry detergent. For the kitchen: rice, pepper, Italian seasonings, chili powder, garlic and soy sauce, coffee, paper towels, and any kind of cleaning supplies. Thank you for your continued support and your monthly donations.

**"If you have much, give of your wealth;
If you have little, give of your heart"**

Arab Proverb



We Would like to thank the many groups from businesses, schools, and the community who took time to volunteer during the month of November and December: Payless Shoe Source, United Parcel Service (UPS), Target, Memorial Hospital, Sacred Heart School Student Council, Teens in Action from the City of Turlock Recreation Department classes, and the Infinite Sisterhood Future Sorority Group from Stanislaus State University.

The time they spent to sort food and clothing, to make food, distribute emergency food boxes, make sandwiches, bag snack items, stuff newsletters, decorate for Christmas, and clean was greatly appreciated by the staff at United Samaritans Foundation. We rely on the help of volunteers to carry out our mission. We can't do it alone. Pictured are a few of the groups that spent several hours giving us a helping hand.

Anyone Interested in volunteering can call 668-4853 and ask for Jan or Maris.



A BIG THANK YOU TO ALL OF OUR VOLUNTEERS!!



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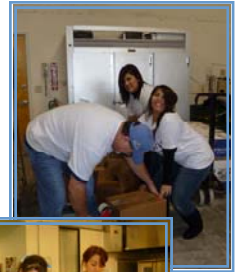
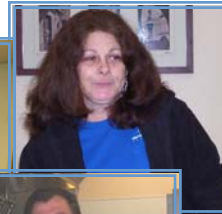
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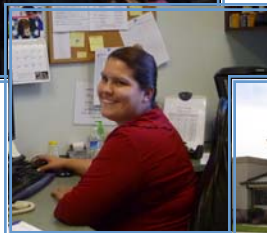
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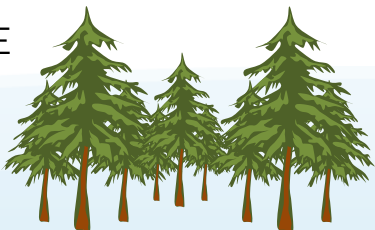
APPLE AND
PUMPKIN PIE
CONTESTS



DONATIONS
RECEIVED



FAIR FOOD DRIVE



Lunches Served



Meals served on our trucks during the month of November were 31,678. In our emergency food box program 270 families were provided with a three-day, three meals per day supply of food.



FEINSTEIN FOUNDATION CHALLENGE

STARTS MARCH 1ST
ENDS APRIL 30TH!!



PLEASE PLAN YOUR FOOD DRIVE'S
DURING THIS TIME.

EVERY FOOD ITEM WE RECEIVE
DURING THIS TIME COUNTS AS

\$1.00 TOWARDS THE
CHALLENGE!!



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Please send Acknowledgement to:

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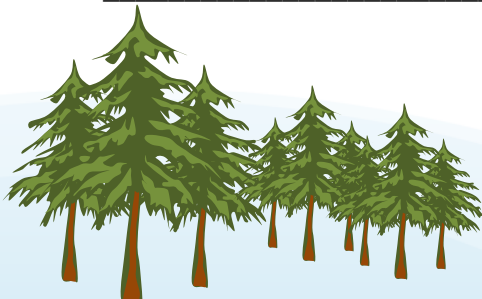
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Your Gift is Tax Deductible

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