


ANNOUNCEMENT

Open House Ministries is Breaking New Ground

Coming Soon!  Open House Ministries West



- **30 Apartments on 3 Floors**
Studios / One / Two / Three Bedrooms
- **New Thrift Store Locations**
Ground level shopping, intake donations, and vocational training for Secondhand Solutions and Wheel Deals Bicycles

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Executive Director Renee Stevens with OHM Board President Dick James



Chaplain Jon Nichols with Pastor Rich Carroll



Andrew Roskam and Sarah Hozack

At a gathering of faith leaders on June 7th, Executive Director Renee Stevens announced plans to build OHM West, an affordable apartment complex to be located next to the Open House Ministries campus. The *OHM West Faith Connection* brought together area pastors and leaders for a time of worship with music by Andrew Roskam and Sarah Hozack and an encouraging message of connection by Chaplain Jon Nichols.

Guests were given tours of the shelter, viewing a family living unit, sorting areas for intake donations, and the shelter pantry where residents receive food and necessities for their families. Secondhand Solutions thrift store and Wheel Deals bicycle shop were also on the tour stop giving guests an insight into the vocational training residents receive through the job-skills program. Faith leaders also gathered for a prayer circle, seeking blessing over the property for OHM West.

During the program, Renee shared the struggle resident graduates are facing when finishing the Open House Ministries program. “The cost of local housing is a real problem for our families and it’s preventing them from taking their next step,” explained Renee. “We’ve been working directly with ministry friends and organizations who see the need in our community for stable solutions to our housing problem. OHM West is part of our long-term strategic plan to restore families and help them build solid futures.”

The four-story, 30-apartment complex will also be home to the two thrift stores at Open House Ministries. Secondhand Solutions and Wheel Deals Bicycle Shop will occupy the ground level of the new building located at 12th street and Jefferson and will share space with intake donations. Open House Ministries is planning a groundbreaking ceremony on Monday, July 25th. If you would like more information on OHM West and how you can help, please go to our project website at www.ohmwest.org or contact Jean LaCrosse at jean.lacrosse@sheltered.org. ●



Jon shared a message on the importance of faith community relationships.



Heartfelt prayers called for blessings on the future site of OHM West.

COMMUNITY PARTNERS

Connecting with Girls Inc.



Girls Inc. of the Pacific Northwest inspires all girls, ages 6-18, to be strong, smart, and bold. Their gender-specific and research-based programming is focused on equipping youth with the tools necessary to lead healthy, academically successful, and economically independent lives.

Madison Yinger, SWWA Program Coordinator, delivered the gift bags made by elementary school Girls Inc. last week. The gifts bags were a *big* hit with our families. Thanks go out to Girls Inc. for their thoughtful gifts and for encouraging our families. We appreciate their program, inspiring girls to be strong, smart, and bold. ●

Open House Ministries is grateful to Girls Inc. of the Pacific Northwest for choosing our organization for their end-of-year service project. Groups at Marshall Elementary, Walnut Grove Elementary, and Washington Elementary decorated reusable canvas bags with drawings and positive affirmations and filled them with household goods to be distributed to our resident families.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Our Community Block Party is Back!

After a two-year break, Open House Ministries is hosting a community block party and resource fair for our neighbors in need. Plans are coming together for the summer outreach on August 11th from 1 pm to 5 pm. Guests will enjoy a free meal, resource information from local organizations, blessing bags and much more.

Please pray for this event as we share God's love with our neighbors at Open House Ministries. For more information contact Katie Fessel at katie.fessel@sheltered.org ●



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GRACIOUS GIVING

Gifting

Creating a will or revocable living trust is an important step in your life journey. It's your opportunity to plan how you will benefit your family, friends and organizations like Open House Ministries after your life on earth has passed.

Including a gift as a bequest in your will or trust is a great way to support the future of Open House Ministries without giving away any of your assets today. If your circumstances change, a bequest is a gift that can be adjusted at any time, providing flexibility for an unexpected financial need.

A few ways you can support families through a charitable bequest to Open House Ministries are:

- Make a gift of a specific dollar amount
- Make a gift of a percentage of your estate
- Leave OHM the remainder of your estate after you have provided for your heirs

Your support for Open House Ministries ensures future families will have the opportunity to hear the gospel of Jesus Christ and find hope for their families. Consult your financial advisor for more ideas on how you can share with those in need.

Please consider including Open House Ministries in your will or estate plan.

Thank you for giving to Open House Ministries. ●

JOB OPENINGS

Facilities Staff

Full-time position available

Bicycle Shop Staff

Full-time position available

Children's Program Coordinator

Full-time position available

Communications Assistant

Full-time position available

Child Care Worker

Part-time positions available

Contact careers@sheltered.org for an application

SHELTER NEEDS

- Bottled Water
- Paper towels
- Men's gloves
- 8.5 x 11 Copier Paper
- Pull ups of all sizes



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