



FRIENDS IN SERVICE HELPING

FISH's Revitalization Project



Jim Peckham ext:101

Donations Needed for FISH's Revitalization Project!

We are excited to announce a new project to help develop our workforce and our community. FISH is collaborating with Northern Nevada Development Authority (NNDA), Western Nevada College (WNC), Capital City C.I.R.C.L.E.S. Program (CIRCLES), Carson City Health and Human Services (CCHHS), NV Rural Housing Association (NRHA) and others to help develop our workforce. This new program is called R.O.A.D.S. (Realizing Opportunities for the American Dream to Succeed). We are going to focus on low-wage earners who have a good work history, and the aptitude/motivation to take on bigger challenges. Instead of providing a little support every year, we will pour focus and resources into these workers for 6-18 months. We'll remove the time and financial roadblocks that have kept them from pursuing the education required for higher level, higher paying jobs. Keeping with our "hand-up" philosophy, these scholars will pay back a portion of their support interest free, and volunteer their time to help recruit and mentor those who join the next R.O.A.D.S. class.

Our goal is to develop the soft skills, life skills, and technical skills of these individuals so they can have a career in manufacturing, technology, health services, building trades, and more. Our plan is to support these workers with services, housing, college training, and upon completion of their education, place them with one of our business partners earning \$18-24/hr. This increased income will take participants from "menial jobs to meaningful careers". Most of the employers who are partnering with us will provide for even more advanced training... continuing to grow the R.O.A.D.S. Scholars. This encouraging program

Your FISH Donations At Work!

will help grow and diversify our local economy, and free up low-income housing since these scholars will be able to afford market rate housing. As low-wage jobs continue to be automated, the need to develop a higher skilled workforce is critical today and in the years to come.

FISH recently purchased the Whistle Stop Inn to help control the costs of R.O.A.D.S., and will temporarily use the existing facilities to house R.O.A.D.S. participants attending college. This will also be the future site for our new family dormitory complex... a new 38 unit apartment complex. FISH is looking for local donations for this project so we can provide housing to those progressing through their development plan and attending college. We will also make sure these individuals and families are able to transition to other housing once they are firmly established in their new careers.

We want to remind potential donors that we accept vehicles, real estate and securities. Many of our donors need to take "forced distributions" from their 401k's or IRA's. If they donate securities directly to FISH, it benefits them more than if they take cash distributions. For example, if someone had \$5000 of a given stock, and they donated the stock directly to FISH, they would have a tax deduction of \$5000, while a cash donation from an IRA would be taxed and reduce the overall donation/tax deduction.

Please step-up and help FISH revitalize our workforce and our community... this will improve our city and our economy.

Donate today. Shop today. Volunteer today.

Be proud of what we build for tomorrow!

FISH provides food, clothing, shelter and medical aid to low income families, the homeless and hungry within our community, with the objective to provide programs and referrals to families and individuals so that they may become self-sufficient.



Carson Admin & Thrift:
Minden Thrift:
Gardnerville Ranchos Services:
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Locations
138 E. Long St.
1561 Hwy 395
921 Mitch Dr.
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775-246-7654



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The Road to New Opportunities



SARAH

Sarah was introduced to FISH 2 years ago by 'chance' after losing custody of her children to addiction. After 2 years in our transitional living program, Sarah found that she was still struggling to support her family on low wages.

Due to her academic aptitude and drive to succeed, Sarah was offered to be our first candidate in the R.O.A.D.S Program. During this process, her children began mimicking her studious behaviors and have excelled in their own education. Her 15 year old daughter began studying with her at the kitchen table for the first time and her 18 year old daughter has recently completed a beauty school program.

Sarah completed the education program in Manufacturing at WNC and has moved from a menial job to a meaningful career. Sarah said, "I haven't been proud of myself in a very long time, but thanks to FISH's help and encouragement, I am at a place I never thought that I would be again. The opportunities that I have in front of me are amazing!"

We wish Sarah the best of luck as she advances through her new career!



MICHAEL

Michael came to FISH one year ago addicted to methamphetamines and homeless. Michael has struggled with a troubling past and does not have any family support left. He was institutionalized several time from the age of 22 and struggled getting out of that lifestyle.

He was turned away from several treatment centers because he did not have Medicaid, which led him to FISH who provided him with warm meals and groceries, clothing, a tent, daily showers, and use of onsite laundry facilities.

Michael dove into the bible, and with new hope, built positive relationships that helped him get clean on his own. Now, Michael has a place to live, his own car, a job, and a successful hobby of making beautiful jewelry and artwork to share around our community. He has found his passion and his path in Life. He said, "I have a success story and my success story is Carson City!"

We love your determination Michael! We have faith that your future will be even brighter than it is now!

Author: Jayme

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Keeping Warm in the Ranchos

Every year the FISH Ranchos Family Service Center in Gardnerville has a coat give-away in preparation for Winter. We invite the community through local schools, social media, and partnerships with other local non-profits.

Last October, over 150 people came to share in our hot dog BBQ and take home a free coat and warm socks. Over 100 coats were given away to very grateful folks who otherwise, may not have had a coat for the coming winter. We all shared a meal, the kids played games outside, and a good time was had by all!



Our **Ranchos Family Service Center** is at:

921 Mitch Drive

Gardnerville, NV 89460

We are open:

Monday-Friday from 10:00am-5:00pm

Thursdays from 10:00am-6:00pm



FISH Facts

Over the past twelve months, FISH has served 7,075 individuals for a total of 41,712 services!

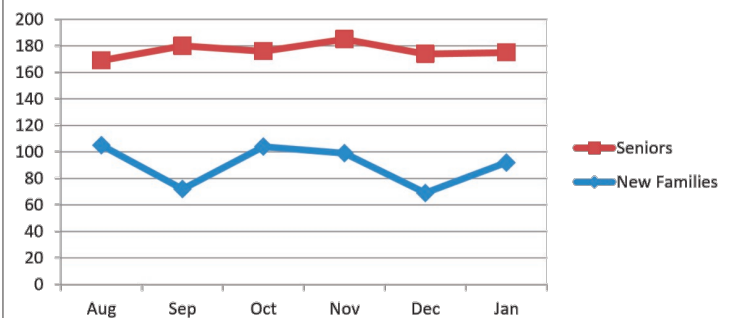
Per month FISH serves:

- 1,487 Individuals
- 853 Households
- 94 Veterans
- 340 Disabled Individuals
- 90 New Families
- 209 Homeless Individuals
- 417 Children
- 175 Seniors
- 35,215 Meals from our Food Banks
- 2,247 Meals from our Family Dining Room
- 54 People in our Emergency Shelters and Transitional Housing
- 43 Ross Clinic Patients

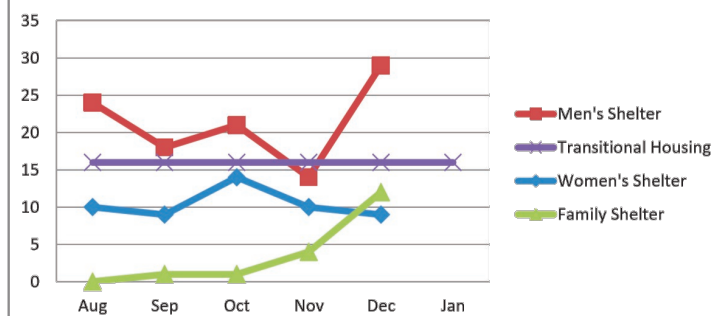
We couldn't provide all of these services without the support of our wonderful donors and 99% of our funding comes from local people just like you!



New Families and Seniors Served



Shelter Inhabitants





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Want to Donate Food? But Not Enough Time to Shop?

Let us do the Shopping for You!

If you find yourself with a big heart that wants to give back, but not enough time to shop and drop off the donations, you can always donate by cash, check, or card with the enclosed envelope or giving us a call at 775-882-FISH (3474).

We'll be happy to do the shopping for you! In fact, with your monetary donation, we can get more "bang for your buck" since we shop in bulk.

\$25.00 donation will provide for 10 meals

\$125.00 donation will provide for 50 meals

\$250.00 donation will provide for 100 meals

\$1,250.00 donation will provide for 500 meals

\$5,500.00 will feed dinner to everyone in our Family Dining Room for 1 month

All Donations are Tax Deductible!



Top 20 Needed Items for 2020

Underwear
Bras
Canned Tuna
Spam
Razors
Shaving Cream
Chili
Deodorant
Canned Meat
Shampoo
Conditioner
Tooth brushes
Diapers
Baby Formula
Fresh Produce
Canned Ravioli
Macaroni & Cheese
Spaghetti Sauce
Soup
Spaghetti Noodles

OTHER WAYS TO GIVE

If you have a **Smith's Rewards card**, check out www.smithsfoodanddrug.com/inspire. If you choose Friends in Service Helping (FISH) (QP333) as your non-profit, Smith's will donate 0.5% of all eligible purchases made with your Rewards card AND you still get all of your rewards, such as fuel points.

When shopping on Amazon, go to smile.amazon.com instead and Amazon will donate 0.5% of the price of your eligible **AmazonSmile** purchases to the charitable organization of your choice. Choose FISH - Friends In Service Helping, it won't cost you a cent, but it will help us a lot!

For more detailed instructions on how to sign up for **Smith's Inspire** or **AmazonSmile**, check out our website at www.nvfish.com or give us a call at 775-882-3474.





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Local Celebrities Wanted!

It's time to come have FUN at FISH's upcoming Fundraisers! Come mingle with local celebrities as they compete for you tips! Bid on silent auction items and see what prizes you could win!

Purchase your ticket today - \$65 for an individual ticket or \$600 for a table of 10.

Dinner and dessert are included, and a cash bar will be available.

Have an item you'd like to donate to our silent auction? Please let us know!

Know someone who would be a great entertainer? Nominate them today as a Celebrity Waiter!

Contact us today to reserve your tickets now!



Have A Heart

With Celebrity Waiters

Carson City

Carson Nugget Ballroom

May 1st & May 2nd

6:00pm

Call us at 775-882-3474 x109, send us an email at gillian@nvfish.com, or stop by our Carson City location



Celebrity Waiter Luau

Douglas County

Genoa Lakes Golf Course

July 16th & July 17th

6:00pm

Call us at 775-882-3474 x108, send us an email at jayme@nvfish.com, or stop by our Carson City location



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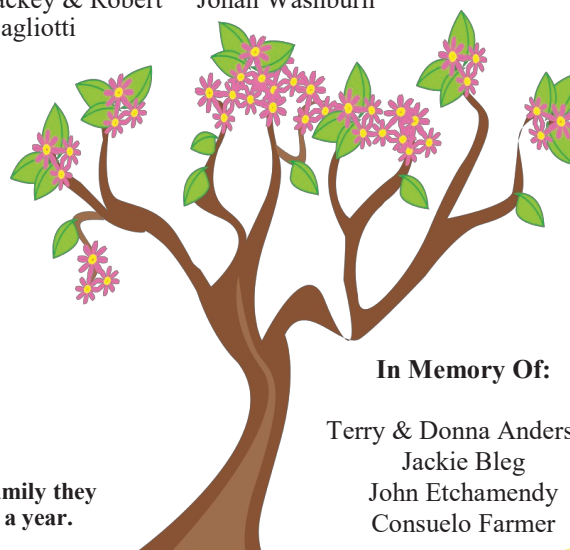


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Upcoming Events



FISH's Annual **Have A Heart with Celebrity Waiters** is Friday, May 1st and Saturday, May 2nd at the Carson Nugget Ballroom this year.

Dinner starts at 6:00pm, come and join the fun!

Tickets are \$65 per person or \$600 for a table of 10. Buy them online today at www.nvfish.com!

The **Pet Wellness Clinic** is May 16th this year from 10am-2pm at our FISH Carson City location. Our furry four-legged family members will be able to get the help they need too! This event is first-come, first-serve for the first 100 pets.



Ready to get your Hula on? Come join us for the 7th Annual **Celebrity Waiter Luau** at the Genoa Lakes Golf Course on Thursday, July 23rd and Friday, July 24th at 6:00pm. Get ready to Limbo!

Tickets are \$65 per person or \$600 for a table of 10.



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