

Dear Friends,

I can't believe it is goodbye...after nearly three amazing years. The Sophia Way continues its journey to greatness—

- Two shelters, Helen's Place and Sophia's Place that now serve women 24/7
- Over 500 women receiving shelter and support annually
- Financial strength and organizational effectiveness
- Strong partnerships with local governments, foundations, and corporations
- Dedicated board of directors committed to our mission
- Compassionate staff who provide exemplary trauma-informed care
- Phenomenal team of motivated professionals
- Steadfast community who understand the complexity of our work



I will miss connecting with each of you who helped and continue to make The Sophia Way and our community a better place. I will miss the forward-thinking state of Washington. I will miss the beautiful summers and the abundant greenery.

You now have a remarkable Executive Team who is poised to make a greater impact. I only see continued growth, positivity, and abundance for The Sophia Way. My heart is full!

In Gratitude,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Alisa". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Alisa Chatinsky
Chief Executive Officer

NEW LEADERSHIP

November 1, 2021



DIETRA CLAYTON
Managing Executive Director



ZEE PETERS
Executive Director
Development & Engagement



SOPHIA HERNANDEZ
Executive Director
Finance & Operations

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Upcoming Events

Coffee with the CEO

Thursday, October 14 | 9 am



Join Alisa and the new Executive Team for a virtual hour of conversation as they reflect on the past few years and the future of The Sophia Way.

9 am, October 14th

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Join us for an hour-long webinar with Kevin Bruning to learn more about creating or updating your estate plan to best safeguard your family and things important to you.

10 am, October 20th

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Join us to meet Marc Dones, CEO, King County Regional Homelessness Authority. Marc will share KCRHA's vision for bringing organizations and people together to support those experiencing homelessness.

4 pm, November 10th

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Compassion & Care!



Every day, case managers provide needed support —

Rebecca needed a storage unit to store her belongings after she lost her home but did not have sufficient funds to cover the expense. Her case manager found an organization that provides storage lockers in exchange for volunteer work. Rebecca is relieved her precious possessions are now safely stored until she can save enough to move into a permanent home.

Amira felt it was impossible to find an apartment within her \$950 budget. She had been evicted earlier and did not want to go through the trauma again. Her case manager helped her understand and manage her finances. With support from The Sophia Way, Amira is confident she will have the resources to prevent another eviction and is actively looking for an apartment.

Mysta broke her ankle. With her recent move to Washington without medical insurance, her hospital bill was overwhelming. Her case manager helped her apply for Medicaid and with financial assistance from the hospital, Mysta was able to get her life back on track.



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