

Dear Friends,

As we begin a new year, our commitment remains unchanged – ***to be a place of hope and change for women and support them on their journey to stability.***

The Sophia Way has been able to pivot and change the way we operate since the start of the pandemic, recognizing what was most needed – stability – by offering women 24/7 programs. Making this change is possible because of the generosity of the community – including you!

We have much to be thankful for and celebrate some highlights of 2021!

- o One year of providing women a place to rest and heal 24/7/365 at [Helen's Place](#)
- o Celebrating the many women who found a place to call home, including [Deborah](#)
- o [The Sophia Way Forward and refreshed mission, vision, and values](#) that guide us in service and programming
- o A new [Executive Team](#) that is building on organizational strengths and energizing the vision and mission

As we look ahead to the year, we remain focused on providing the resources and support that are needed for women to find a place to call home, even during the pandemic. Your compassion and commitment for changing lives makes this possible.

With gratitude,



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Task Force Frosty



It was a cold holiday season in the Pacific Northwest region as temperatures dropped to below freezing on Christmas Day, and snowfall disrupted life even more that week. Fortunately, at The Sophia Way shelters, *Task Force Frosty* was ready to face the significant challenges with confidence and a sense of calm, supported by so many in the community.

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Appreciation from a client

Thank you for respecting and treating us with dignity. Every day, you come to work - working your hardest to keep the community clean, stocked, decorative, preparing and serving meals, companionship...

Few are willing to give so much of themselves and I appreciate the whole team and the community!

Your support helps women thrive

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