

A Brighter Future

Vira's journey led her from Ukraine to Washington State, seeking refuge and hope. Initially, she found temporary shelter with a local family but soon faced some challenges. As a senior unable to work and with very little social safety net, Vira's options were limited. When she called The Sophia Way, we were able to find a place for her at The Lewith Cottages, our transitional housing program.

Now, **Vira is safe and stable**. Her case manager supports her in finding resources that can lead to long-term security and stability. Vira's story is just one of many where our dedicated staff make a tangible impact. They are trained to navigate complex systems and forge partnerships to support each client's unique needs, transcending language barriers and adversities.

Thank you for walking with Vira and others like her on their transformative journey.

Your Heartwarming Impact

As we reflect on the past six months, we are deeply grateful to our community for their incredible compassion and generosity. Your support has given women experiencing homelessness, like Vira, hope and a path to a more stable future.

Thanks to your generous donations, both financial and in-kind, women have received care and access to critical resources. They have found a safe place to shelter, empowering them to rebuild their lives. **Our programs have served 309 women and supported 53 women in finding a home of their own.**

The dedication of our volunteers has been truly heartwarming. Your invaluable time and talent have ensured that women had nutritious meals, clothing, and essential toiletries. **Every effort, big and small, has made a tangible difference** in their lives, giving them a renewed sense of hope and belonging. **Thank you for your continued and unwavering support of our mission and programs.** Together, we will continue changing lives and creating a community where women can thrive.

The Impact of Your Generosity and Compassion



309

Women have found shelter, safety, and stability



53

Women have moved into their own homes



18,751

Donated meals have nourished women



2,460

Volunteers hours have supported women



\$160,649

Donated items have provided basic necessities



Shelter



Safety



Stability



Viewpoint

The Supreme Court's decision to permit the criminalization of homelessness is a significant setback for the women we serve. As an organization dedicated to supporting women experiencing homelessness on the Eastside, we see the complex challenges faced by our clients and remain committed to advocating on their behalf. Criminalizing the basic human need for shelter will only exacerbate the challenges of those struggling to survive. We need to invest in more affordable housing, mental health services, and the full range of human services to address the root causes of homelessness. We urge local leaders, policymakers, and communities to continue advocating for compassionate and sustainable solutions that provide dignity, safety, and stability for all in our community.



Spotlight

We had a beautiful opportunity to connect with supporters of The Sophia Way to celebrate the leap of faith that the organization took to begin the journey 15 years ago that continues today. If you missed the opportunity, we highly encourage signing up for more of our events, including our 15-year celebration!

Resilience and Renewal Celebration



From humble beginnings—eight mats on a church floor—to providing shelter, safety, and stability for a hundred women every day, our 15-year journey is truly a cause for celebration, and we want you to be a part of it! Join us on December 7 to celebrate the remarkable resilience of the women you support. [Save the Date and Register](#)



Support Network Appreciation Event

We are holding our annual picnic on July 23 to appreciate our vibrant network of dedicated supporters—faith communities, civic groups, and individuals—who come together to provide shelter, safety, and stability for women experiencing homelessness. [Register](#)

Stay Connected via Text!

We are excited to announce a new way to engage with and stay connected with The Sophia Way! We will share updates, inspiring stories, and the impact of your donations via text message. **When you receive a text from 425.207.4435, you can trust it is from The Sophia Way.** Thank you for supporting women on their journey to stable living.



Your gift will give women a path
to stability and a better future.

[My Gift](#)

[Get Involved](#)

[Connect](#)



To protect client privacy, we use assumed names and stock images in our newsletters and fundraising appeals.

Note: We are on a summer break at our Donation Center and will resume accepting donations in person on August 7th.

[Unsubscribe](#)

[The Sophia Way](#)

<https://sophiaway.org/>