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THC Newsletter

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Dear {FIRST_NAME}

February can be a difficult month. For the families who were able to enjoy the holidays with welcome food and a sense of joy in the hearts, the graciousness and gratitude is slowly being replaced with uncertainty and unemployment once more.

It is our sincere hope that the introduction of our new Educational Workshop Series and Client Mentoring Programs will help address these concerns and offer hope and opportunity to our local families and individuals in need.

We invite you to join us for these exciting, informative, and motivational programs - as a participant, volunteer, educator, or mentor.

Thank you for your continued support and generosity!

Jeanne Liston, Executive Director



Not an Empty Bowl in Sight

Thank you to everyone at [Boulder Mountain Clayworks](#), the community artisans who created over 200 beautiful bowls, the invaluable support of the [The Presbyterian Church of the Big Wood](#), and everyone who participated in our first annual "Empty Bowls" event on Sunday, January 16th.

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HOW YOU CAN
HELP

This first-time event raised over \$5,000 to feed the hungry in our community!

Special Thanks to the wonderful restaurants and caterers who provided the gourmet fare for the *Empty Bowls* lunch ~ **Atkinsons, Big Wood Bread, CK's Real Food, Perry's, Rolling in Dough, Segó, Silver Fox Catering, Sun Valley Company & Toni's Ice Cream.**

With a Creative Eye and Big Heart

Local 4th grader, Kinley Miller is a true inspiration! Working with cast off clothing and found pieces & fabrics from second hand stores, Kinley designs and creates one-of-a-kind handbags and wine totes. Through the sale of her "Hunger Handbags" Kinley raises welcome funds, and important community awareness, for The Hunger Coalition.

Thank You, Kinley for your inspiring creations!

Save Money, Eat Better, Stretch Your Dollar

We are excited to introduce a new [Educational Workshop Series](#) as part of our Mentoring & Education Program and invite you

SHARE YOUR KNOWLEDGE!

Offering your professional and personal experiences could change someone's life. Let us know if you are interested in facilitating a Workshop or becoming a Mentor!

Workshop Topics include: Meal Planning, Building a Resume, Family Health and Nutrition, Job Interview Skills, Creative Leftovers, Growing Your Own Food, and much more!

To learn more, please call Hallie at 788-0121 or email hreikowsky@thehungercoalition.org

Rico's Promotion through February 20th!

"One for One" Promotion at Rico's in Ketchum matches your food donation when you bring in a non-perishable food item for The Hunger Coalition. Join Rico, Amy & Staff as they work together to help bring healthy welcome food to the hungry.

 Visit [Rico's Pizza and Pasta](#), make a comment

Give Time



Give Food



Donate Now



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on their [Facebook Page](#) or call 726-7426 to make a reservation!

Attention Animal Lovers

THANK YOU for your continued support of our **Paws for Hunger Program** with **The Animal Shelter**.



Keeping animals with their families is a vital part of our community's well-being! Through your donations, The Animal Shelter helps us to purchase large quantities of dog and cat food for locals being forced to choose between feeding

themselves or their furry friend.

We invite you to learn more about [Paws for Hunger](#) or visit [The Animal Shelter](#) for donation information.

Open Hands Club: You're Invited!



Did you know that for \$20 a month you can ensure children are not going to bed hungry, and parents can rest assured they can make it through another week?

- \$ 10 a month equals about 33 cents a day.
- \$10 a month feeds one hungry person for a week.
- \$20 a month feeds a family of four for over 3 days.

Just Imagine what YOUR monthly donation could do!

We invite you to join our [Open Hands Club](#) by signing up for a recurring monthly donation of your choice. You can save precious time and resources while helping feed the hungry.

In Support of Mental Illness

NAMI presents a free 12 week course offering education and support for the families and friends of people with mental illness. Gain valuable insight, learn to advocate for your friend or loved one, and learn to cope with the worry and stress that comes from dealing with mental illness daily.

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REGISTER by calling Nancy Kennette at 788-4347

Moving Forward and Upward

We enjoy the opportunity of sharing with you the real life stories of clients who have moved beyond the need for assistance.



Thanks to the St. Luke's Center for Community Health, Debbie heard about The Hunger Coalition at a crucial time in her life. Out of work and feeling quite down, Debbie received her first food card in October of 2009. Even after settling into happier home, she remained without employment for over a year. Ironically, this was both a challenge and a blessing in disguise. Without work, Debbie realized she could give back, becoming a regular volunteer for both The Hunger Coalition and The Advocates.

Gainfully employed, Debbie proudly has her eyes on a promotion in the near future. Debbie believes the support she received from staff and fellow volunteers played an important part in her transition out of insecurity. When not working hard towards her personal life goals, she enjoys reading, walking her dog and watching movies.

We wish Debbie the best of luck and know she will have many wonderful adventures ahead!

Gallegos Corporation

We would like to acknowledge the support of John O'Meara at [The Gallegos Cororation](#). Since 2008, John has personally presented The Hunger Coalition with a charitable contribution helping to feed the hungry in Blaine County.

We encourage all our local and regional businesses to get involved and help us to create a whole & healthy community!

KITCHEN WISH LIST

We are looking to stock the kitchen so our Education and Mentoring Programs can host nutrition classes, cooking classes, recipe building projects, and much more!

Kitchen Wish List



STAFF

Robin Christensen

Warehouse Supervisor

Lorena Horne

Case Manager

Jeanne Liston

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Hallie Reikowsky

*Garden & Education
Manager*

Naomi Spence

Program Director

Meagan Stasz

*Communications &
Administration*

Evan Stelma

*Bookkeeper & Office
Assistant*



- Soup and Sauce Pots
- Mixing Bowls
- Strainer
- Can opener
- Measuring Cups/Pitchers/Spoons
- Cutting Boards
- Tupperware/Reusable Containers
- Blender/Stick Blender/Food Processor
- Cookie Sheets
- Wooden Spoons & Spatulas

If you can contribute to our Kitchen please give Hallie a call at 788-0121 or email hreikowsky@thehungercoalition.org

Announcements! Announcements!

We sincerely appreciate the support and guidance of our Board of Directors and Advisory Council and would like to take a moment to announce a few changes!

Tyler Davis-Jeffers takes over the helm for outgoing Board President **Brooke Bonner**. A special thank you to Brooke for her tireless efforts and remarkable vision. We look forward to Tyler's financial savvy and new perspective heading into this new year.

A heartfelt thank you , and goodbye, to **Jim Moore** who is leaving the Board after many years of valuable guidance. We wish him well in his new endeavors.

Welcome to **Harry Weekes** in the position of Vice President - we know his sincere conviction and ability to generate community

With her valued attention to detail and positive attitude, **Sarah Shivers** steps into the role of Treasurer this month.

A very warm welcome to the newest members of our Advisory Council, **Jake Bloom, Ruth Bloom** and **Robin Leavitt**! We appreciate your belief us and are grateful for your participation.

THE HUNGER COALITION

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MISSION

The Hunger Coalition strives to end hunger in our community by providing wholesome food to those in need and by promoting solutions through collaboration, education and advocacy.



VISION

We envision a community free from hunger where all individuals are able to participate as healthy, contributing members.

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