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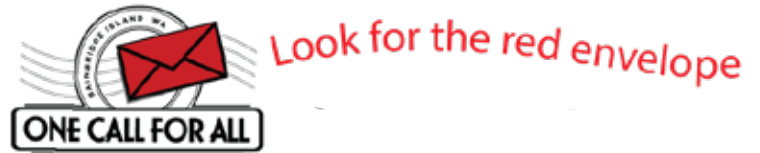
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Welcome: New Staff Member



Case Management Intern

Paige Pereira was born and raised on Guam and moved to Kitsap County with her family in 2016. After receiving her AA degree from Olympic College Bremerton, she continues her academic career in the BASW program at the University of Washington. The majority of her work and volunteer experience revolved around youth work and childcare; these experiences helped her acknowledge the need for social welfare services and motivated her to pursue a social work career. She is excited to work at Helpline House and gain experience in case management and overall community-building. She enjoys spending time with her family, swimming and playing her ukulele.



Each Gift Over \$20 Receives a Community Share!

When a household can't make ends meet each month, and then an unexpected crisis hits, your donations go into action.

Will you make a monthly donation to support a Healthy & Whole Community?

Every recurring donation of \$20 or more receives a share of One Call For All's community pool. A \$20 monthly donation would get 12 shares, whereas a one-time donation of \$500 would get 1 share.

You can make a big impact as the need grows during the housing crisis.



Food Bank
Social Services

Fourth Quarter 2019

Food For Thought



Planned Giving; Stronger Roots

As we approach the holidays, we often think of how we can reach out beyond our own families and care for those in need. We at Helpline House are constantly asking ourselves how best we can meet the need in our community. One of the ways you can ensure Helpline House will continue to provide for your neighbors in need for years to come is by considering a planned gift for Helpline House, such as a gift through your will or through your retirement assets. Also consider making Helpline House the beneficiary of your required disbursement from your IRA. There are many ways to help on an annual and on-going basis and all are very welcome. Talk with your financial planner to learn about the benefits to you and your estate with the many options available.



Summer Intern's Big Heart

Our summer was greatly enhanced with our first ever summer intern – Ali Spence! She came to us through our partnership with Bainbridge Youth Services. Her energy, enthusiasm and thoughtful approach to all tasks brightened the heart of Bainbridge! THANK YOU Ali for spending your summer with us.



Annual Bainbridge Island

Turkey Trot

November 28

5K and 1 Mile Fun Runs to benefit Helpline House

Register at biturkeytrot.org

OR VOLUNTEER TODAY, NO SWEAT NECESSARY!



Donate online at helplinehouse.org



Project Backpack Meets the Need

Project Backpack numbers were the highest we've seen in a while. Thanks to the generosity of this community in many ways, **177 kids got brand new backpacks, school supplies, and most even got a new lunch box and chose from some 'new to them' clothes.** We had two notable additions this year – we heard from the elementary schools that new lunchboxes would be a delight to a lot of students. **Jo Anne Hacker** came to the rescue and donated lunchboxes of different sizes and colors! Students were thrilled. With the assistance from **Grace Church**, we were able to offer a clothing closet to families of gently used clothes for children to have some 'new' things for school. Almost every family walked away with some clothing. We cannot thank the many donors enough who make this possible, specifically Modern Collision and Rebuild, whose **Cruise-In Car Show** is a major support for Project Backpack and **Windermere**, whose employee foundation provides the donation for the Target gift cards included in each bag! And of course, we are grateful to **Jansport** for the backpacks. Thank you all!

Michael Wright, Helpline House Board Member,



Gobblefest's 10th Anniversary

Gobblefest is in its 10th year of raising money for local food charities during the holiday season. **Please plan on attending the event on Bainbridge Island and contributing mightily.** Your local musician friends and neighbors are donating their time and talent to support this excellent charity.

Gobblefest.org 2019
Saturday | November 23, 2019
5 PM - 10:00 PM
Rolling Bay Hall (All Ages)
10598 NE Valley Road
Suggested Donation \$20

Scheduled to Appear:

4 Sheets
Ocean Men
Jefferson Rowboat
Psycho Sushi

Around the Corner

Ordway Parade | November 20
Thanksgiving Service | November 25 & 26
Senior Giving Tree | December 19 & 20
Holiday Book Nook | December 19 & 20
Hunger & Homelessness Awareness Week | November 16 - 24



Thanks 'Giving' for All Kinds of Needs

The holiday season is a wonderful time of giving to family, friends and charities. It's also a time for families and organizations to share with those that are less fortunate, and food drives are a time-honored tradition in the community to help ensure that a bountiful Thanksgiving dinner is available to all.

[Helpline House continues to offer a gift card program for our clients during the Thanksgiving holiday.](#) It has been hugely successful because it enables clients the freedom to shop when they need and to purchase what they need for their holiday table. It also helps the food bank with its capacity limitations of perishable food and the push to find volunteers to process the hundreds of pounds of food that is received from the community for the holiday.

With this in mind, if you decide to donate to the food bank this year, [please consider a monetary or gift card donation in support of this program.](#) And of course, if your family or organization would like to conduct a

food drive, they are always much appreciated. Please contact the food bank to coordinate the collection of items that are needed during the holiday season and throughout the year.

MOST NEEDED FOODS

Baking Ingredients

flour, sugar, baking soda/powder

Cooking Ingredients

oils, spices, sauces

Broths

chicken, beef, vegetable

Hot Breakfasts

oatmeal

Canned Fruit

pineapple, mandarin oranges

Hearty Soups, Stews & Chili

Holiday Foods

turkey, ham, jarred gravy, canned cranberries, holiday cookies, etc



Summer Helpers

Don't ever think that little hands can't make a difference. We are so thrilled with our Summer Helpers program. [Helpline House saw 12 families volunteer this past summer, with 7 of those coming back to help more than once!](#) We've had a teen start to volunteer regularly with us because he came with his family over the summer. We are hopeful that those little minds learned just one way they can participate in their community and we know we have lots of pint sized ambassadors for Helpline House running around.

A Neighborly Buzz

"It's good to know I have an ally on the island!" - anonymous client



Take Action at helplinehouse.org