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## “Unconditional love given in a non-judgemental way.”

**Yesterday**



**Today**



**Tomorrow**



### Supporter of the Month

Thank you to Shelbourne Plaza Drugs for delivering Cobbs Bread every Saturday BEFORE opening their own business! This is so special that some of our family members come in hoping there is enough for them to take home a loaf!

### Information:

Volunteers wishing information about any aspect of their work at *ourplace* are encouraged to call 385-2454 or 388-7112. A volunteer team leader will be happy to call back and help in whatever way possible.

### Ask Vickie

What do I do when I see another volunteer doing something that is unsafe or inconsistent with established health procedures?



#### Dear Gentle Reader,

If it is comfortable, gently remind them of the procedure or you could suggest that what they are doing is making you uneasy. For example - "I'm worried that the coffee urn might be too heavy for you to be lifting on your own - do you want me to get someone to help you?" This approach allows the other person to think about what they are doing. They may be able to provide an answer that sets your mind at rest. If you're not comfortable mentioning it, then refer the matter to someone you can talk to such as another volunteer or volunteer coordinator. (Don't look for me, though, I don't look like my picture).

#### Next month's question:

Is it possible for me to volunteer in other areas, to try them out? For example: Reception? Clothing or some other area?

Neighbour, sibling, colleague, retired friend...

**You don't know until you ask!**

**Especially needed are:**

1. Drivers willing to **pick up bread** from local stores and deliver it to the drop-in centre both on weekends and weekdays. Back-up driver volunteers are also needed.
2. Workers are needed every day: 7am until 3 pm.

#### Call:

Pandora Street Soup Kitchen: Brian or Peter at 388-7114 or Johnson St. Drop-in Centre: Robert at 385-2454.

### The “parts” of *ourplace*

*Ourplace* drop in centre - 713 Johnson

- Office
- Coffee Bar
- Outreach workers
- Clothing & toiletries room
- Outreach programme
- Individual assistance: advocacy, referrals, emergency medical aid, transportation to detox, visitations to home, hospital or jail.

*Ourplace* - 919 Pandora

- Administrative Office
- Soup kitchen 2 meals a day, 6 days a week
- Rooms: 22 short term furnished rooms for men
- Small clothing room & toiletries
- Counselling services

### Donations:

WE DO NEED: **yarn; towels; footwear; clothing- seasonal garments; trousers; shirts; undergarments & belts**, Bedding- blankets, sleeping bags, ground mats. **Toiletries-** feminine hygiene products, razors, deodorant, brushes & combs. Knapsacks, backpacks, small tents.  
Non-perishable foods: Canned or other dry packaged foods, coffee.

### Safety Corner

**NEEDLE stick injury PREVENTION:** do not insert your hands into any bag, purse, backpack or bedding.

Always dump everything out and inspect carefully with your eyes before touching. Wear gloves and shake each item. Needles found must be handled with care. Do not bend or attempt to re-cap. All syringes, needles and other sharps should be placed in approved puncture resistant containers for disposal. Do not put them in the garbage.

### Happy Birthday to Volunteers:

Shirley, Jim, Rick, Betty & Julie.



**ourplace**

The Open Door and Upper Room,  coming together in the Fall.