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## Donations:

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

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.

## Ask Vickie

Why does the drop in centre close for memorial services? Can volunteers be notified earlier of these events?



### Dear Gentle Reader,

To begin with, shutting down the centre is a way of showing the significance of the loss of a family member as a respectful memorial. There are also practical reasons, such as the current space limitations. Closures will not be necessary in our new building. In future, much greater care will be taken in future to notify all section leaders and thereby volunteer workers in a more timely fashion, ideally with 3 days notice

### Next month's question:

How Do I make sure my contact and personal information is correct in the Our Place records?

## 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

## Supporter of the Month

Many thanks to the anonymous donors who regularly drop off donations without allowing us to get their name to send a thank you card. Like the woman who comes in once a month with a big bag of food and clothing. Every time someone asks for her name, she just smiles and walks away.

## 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.

## Safety Corner

Accepted practice for handling food: wash hands, prepare receptacle (plate, platter, tray), open packages, procure appropriate utensil. Now put a glove on the hand or hands that are actually going to touch the food. Keep this hand/hands free of contact with any other surface until the task is complete. If this sounds confusing, please ask someone who has completed a Foodsafe course to demonstrate the procedure for you.

## Happy July Birthday to Volunteers:

Jill C, Harry D, Natalie G, Michell L, Paul O,  
Harvey R, John S

**ourplace**

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



**"Unconditional love given in a non-judgemental way."**