

Weekly Message

Dear Friend,

Anton is a single man in his late 40s who originally came to the US to study music. He has been living in Pasadena and working on a visa. Although eager to work, his resources are limited and he suffered severe health issues last year and couldn't work for several months. He managed to pay his rent at that time with savings and by borrowing some money. After his health improved, he was working for someone who ended up not paying him for several weeks and he fell behind on the rent.

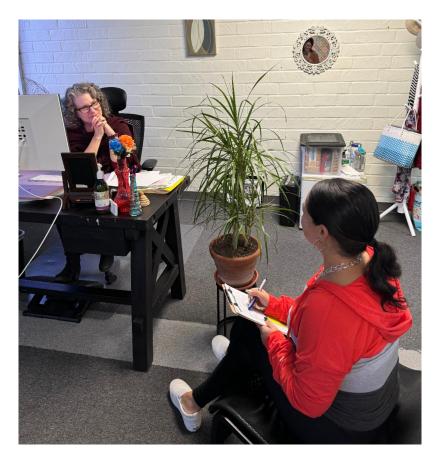
After evaluating his situation, Stacey and Marlene, our Eviction Prevention and Rental Assistance Team, offered to help with Anton's rent arrears and to also pay one month of current rent. He now has a steady flow of income as a self-employed contractor, and he not only thanked us for our assistance, but also volunteered to help Lindsey redecorate the TWR nap room as an expression of his appreciation. Here's what he shared with us after we confirmed his funding:

Good morning Stacey!!

I am so very happy and relieved right now to receive this amazing news! This is taking so much weight off my shoulders and I will for sure sleep better now. This will for sure help me to get back on my feet. I will be able to have peace of mind, helping me to focus on working and get out of this worrisome situation. I don't know how to find the right words but I just want to say thank you, thank you, thank you very very much!!!

Not always, but often, a modest amount of assistance can help our clients improve their health and wellbeing, allowing them to take control of their rental situation and regain stability in their lives.

I want to give Stacey and Marlene a big shoutout, as their work is mostly behind the scenes, has few volunteers and places them under a great deal of emotional strain. They are working with individuals and families facing significant stress and potential upheaval, all of which weighs heavy on them. It's a privilege to watch them work and witness how much compassion and care they offer.



Director of EPRA, Stacey, and Assistant Director of EPRA, Marlene.

We are just a few weeks away from our golf tournament! We have a few foursomes left to play, so <u>register by Wednesday, March 27th</u> to participate. There is still time to be a tee sponsor, but your designs need to be in by next Tuesday, March 26th. General donations are always welcome. Huge thanks to all of the golfers that have signed up, and to Pat Wickhem, tournament chair, for his amazing efforts. Looking forward to seeing everyone on April 5th!

Blessings and have a lovely weekend,

Rabbi Joshua



P.S. Don't forget to join us at Vroman's Bookstore for the TWR art reception tomorrow! See the flyer below.

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International Women's Day Event at Wild Parrot

Big thanks to Wild Parrot Brewing Company for their incredible support and generosity in hosting a special International Women's Day event! Cheers to empowering women and creating positive change in our community...<u>Read more.</u>



PHS Donation drive

Students from Pasadena High School benefited The Women's Room with a clothing and supplies drive for a school Capstone project! They gathered toiletries, clothing, art supplies, and more! We are grateful for the support and generosity of young people in our community...<u>Read more.</u>

Azusa Pacific University nursing students at BWS

We're grateful to partner with Azusa Pacific University's Nursing program during another season of the Bad Weather Shelter. The nurses offer wound care,



wellness checks, foot washing, and provide basic medical care for clients...<u>Read more.</u>

News and Events

TWR Art at Vroman's Bookstore

We are excited to announce that The Women's Room's art is currently displayed at Vroman's Bookstore (695 E Colorado Blvd, Pasadena, CA 91101).

Stop by for a look and please join us tomorrow, **March 23rd at 4pm** for an artist reception to celebrate FLOURISH.

Please join us for THE WOMEN'S ROOM ART SHOW BECEEPTION Asturday, March 23rd 4:00pm Vroman's Bookstore 055 E. Colorado Blvd. Pasadena, CA 91101

Golfing for Good

Golfing for Good is taking place on Friday, April 5, 2024 at Brookside Golf Club. There are only a few spots left! <u>Register</u> today!

Warm Clothing Needed

BWS is in need of warm clothing for clients at the shelter. Donations are only accepted on



<u>weather-activated nights, from</u> <u>6-7:30pm.</u> Drop off at Trinity Lutheran Church (984 Locust Street, Pasadena, 91106). Please park in the lot on the east side of the building, and look for BWS security.

Members of the community can call 888-915-8111 at any time to find out if the shelter is activated.



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