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## Saint Therese Center HIV Outreach Expands







Catholic Charities of Southern Nevada approached the Saint Therese Center HIV Outreach in consideration of taking up space at their buildings located on Palo Verde Street in Henderson. In doing so, the Saint Therese Center HIV Outreach has been able to move Father Joseph's Office to the new location and allow for a clothing room to be set up (once again) at the Pantry location on Boulder Highway. In addition the Xerox Machine area at Boulder location was moved to new location allowing for a minimum of privacy for new clients to fill out paper work and meet with a staff member to tell their story and mention all their needs, and have them addressed. Additionally all the stor-

age units that we were renting at Henderson Storage Kings (5) we moved out of, saving the money on storage units by moving all the stored items and cases of Food. Cereal and Water to the location on Palo Verde. So 90% of the building rooms are all "storage units." Soon the intention will be to move the File Room, that is all client files, to the Palo Verde Location, using the space to expand Pantry products and more. The clients have no change to their lives or schedule, as the Palo Verde property is not convenient for transportation or walking six blocks from Boulder Highway. All services remain at the Boulder Highway location (as well as at the



Over five years of growth, weeds and dead bushes were removed cleaning up the outside of the buildings.

San Martin Campus) while the new building allows for storage, office space, saving money and we are most grateful to Catholic Charities of Southern Nevada!

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#### **God Loves Broadway**

On November 6th, Sunday, a wonderful group of musicians have agreed to gather and sing a variety of Broadway tunes, benefitting the Saint Therese Center HIV Outreach. The event will be at 2:00 PM at the Flamingo Library on 1401 East Flamingo - East of Maryland Parkway. Tickets for the event are \$10.00 and available at Saint Therese Center HIV Out-

reach or call Brother Frederick at (702) 564 4224. One song featured will have Father Joseph and his assistant, David singing opening number from Man of La Mancha. Fr. Joseph being Don Quixote and David as Sancho Panza! It will be a fun afternoon of great song and perhaps an annual event - pending the response! Join us November 6th at 2:00PM - Flamingo Library.



Father Joseph's old Office was turned into new clothing room with shelves placed around the room and donations piled upon them.

#### Clothing Room returns - Back accepting clothes

Over a year ago it became necessary, as we were the only HIV Food Pantry in town - we still needed space for food; so we closed the clothing room down and moved food and products into that space. When Catholic Charities of Southern Nevada offered space further in Henderson (see front page article) we moved Father Joseph's Office to that location, freeing up the space in the building to be returned to a Clothing distribution area for clients. Our clients did

miss having the opportunity to go thru used clothing and being able to pick up some nice items to help them in basically feeling good about themselves in having something "new" to wear. Of course we get more clothes than ever and we rotate the stock as many of the volunteers move things around to make it happen. We do have a few small appliances in the room but we definitely do not take Movies, DVD's, CD's or Books because at times that is almost a room in

itself of items. So we are once again accepting clothing for distribution to our clients. Clothing drop off can be anytime the Center is open from 9:00 to 3:00 Monday thru Thursday and 9:00 to Noon on Fridays! Should you have a large donation and need to schedule a pick up - then call Brother Frederick at the Main Campus (702) 564 4224 to schedule a pick up. Again we are greatful to Catholic Charities of Southern Nevada in helping make this all possible!

#### Ronald McDonald House & Saint Therese Team Up

Once a year the Ronald McDonald House has a Food Drive at The Saint Therese all the Smiths locations in Henderson, Green Valley, Las Vegas and North Las Vegas! They needed a fleet of trucks to help them make this all work and contacted the Saint Therese Center HIV Outreach for help. We had all (9) nine of our vehicles at their service. They divided the city into 8 areas for pick ups and



**Annual Christmas Ornament** 

at 9:00 AM the trucks left for all parts of the valley and during the course of the day returned two and three times to a store. Our Staff gave up their Saturday to help make it all happen. It is important to note that the only day off the

Staff has is on Saturday! As so much food is donated and more than they can handle, the Ronald McDonald house shared a full Truck and a half of food with us and for our clients! This will all happen again in early 2012!

#### Center HIV Outreach is always in need of food - have a food drive for us we need it!



"Joy and Wonder Fill the Season" - We invite you to support our vital programs through the purchase of our collector's edition holiday ornament. This year's stunning design is a wonderful, generously filled stocking. Memory and imagination blend to create moments of excited anticipation and discovery.

The delightful stocking is decorated with the red international symbol of HIV/AIDS awareness and a discreetly engraved 15 enhances the bell ribbon, distinguishing this very special anniversary momento. This collector's edition ornament is solid brass with a 24 karat gold finish,

accented by brightly colored

enamels, measuring 1.9 x 3.26 inches. This beautiful ornament is distinctively packaged in a gold stamped box with velour insert. The Ornament sells for \$20.00 each and makes a wonderful gift for the holiday season especially to those who love to keep the red ribbon symbolism alive in the community!

#### Albertson's Amazing help for the Pantry



Albertson's Food Store's in the Valley have stepped up in their support of the Saint Therese Center HIV Outreach and have collected and donated food to the Center they are ... Store at 9725 Maryland Parkway (Silverado Ranch & Maryland) This store's

manager goes to Saint Francis Assisi Church. Store #2 190 N Boulder Highway (Boulder and Lake Mead) this store across from the de Lima Campus Pantry. Store #3 201 S. Stephanie Street (Horizon Ridge and Stephanie) (Picture on left with Father Joseph and all the spirit of Joy Circles) Store 4 2775 S Maryland Parkway (Sahara and Maryland Parkway) on the right picture of Beka (manager) Father Joseph and Brad. (Asst manager) We also have been blest by Corporate in letting us purchase cereal at 9 cents a pound.

Dan Williams helps us in all that area and we are grateful to everyone at Albertson's! This year we will be recipient of Dinners donated at Thanksgiving & Christmas as well as participation in the Annual Letter Carriers Food Drive in May. Thanks Albertson's





The Pantry is full of items from many places but food drives at Albertson's Food Stores have done remarkably well benefitting all our clients.

#### Handel's Messiah benefitting Saint Therese



Set Wednesday December 7th down on your calendar for a 7:00 PM performance of George Frederick Handel's Messiah. This timeless musical masterpiece will be performed at Green Valley Presbyterian Church and if you have a score you can sing along! Most of the audience doesn't until perhaps the Hallelujah Chorus! It is an annual event by the musicians and the beneficiary has always been the Saint Therese Center HIV Outreach. Before the concert and during Intermission there is a Basket raffle sale - the baskets are amazing and fun filled! Our own basket maker Norman will contribute his talent in baskets this year as well! The Church is located at 1798 Wigwam Parkway, Henderson NV 89074. The Concert is Wednesday December 7th at 7:00 PM. Join us!

# Comfort ye my people!

Opening Recitative for Tenor from Handel's Messiah and Mission of the Saint Therese Center HIV Outreach!

### Food Boxes Thanksgiving & Christmas

We do over 400 boxes for Thanksgiving and Christmas. You can see picture on the right which is part of the boxes lined up for giveaway at Anderson Hall located at Guardian Angel Cathedral just north of the Encore Hotel on the Las Vegas Strip! The meat for the boxes is

a 14-16 pound Turkey - so we need 800 Turkeys! Thanksgiving also includes the pie and if someone has been extra generous the whipped cream for the pie as well. Christmas we put in cake mixes and icing. We always need help in this area - collecting items. Sometimes just taking one

item helps. That is Gravy - collect 800 packets or cans of Gravy or 800 cans of Cranberry sauce... Be creative and have a Pie contest - collect the pies for us! Different groups select an item and supply it for us—we need you to do the same and know we appreciate all you do!



Rows and Rows of prepared Food Boxes line Anderson Hall at Guardian Angel Cathedral—the distribution Center for Thanksgiving and Christmas!



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Saint Therese Center, named after Saint Therese of Lisieux, is a Catholic ministry that welcomes and serves people of all faiths and extends the Lord's healing to all persons infected and affected by HIV/AIDS. Emphasizing wellness, Saint Therese Center reaches out to those touched by HIV/AIDS to provide spiritual, physical and emotional support, educational and social services in a spirit of love and compassion



"Experience the Little Flowers in Life" Serving the HIV community

We're on the web www.sainttheresecenter.org

#### **Annual Christmas Wreath Auction**

This is the second year the Escape Lounge will hold the Festival of Wreaths to benefit the Saint Therese Center HIV Outreach. Individuals and businesses are asked to showcase their personal creativity by decorating and donating a holiday wreath, which will be displayed at the Bar till the day of the event and then on the day of the event be available for purchase through a silent auction. The Festival of Wreaths will be held on Friday December 9th begins at 7:00 PM with a social hour and silent auction. The evening has lots of great entertainment, surprises, Christmas

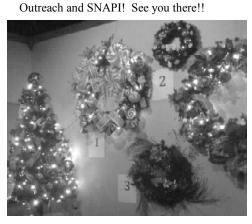
Spirit and Cheer. The First Annual Festival of Wreaths raised over \$2,500,00 and that was matched by a benefactor really making it \$5,000 for all the wonderful creative and beautiful wreaths that were on display and available. The one wreath that brought in the most money was a wreath that was made up of Christmas boxes or presents. Each of the

boxes actually had gifts in them- gift certificates and gift cards - very clever and very



valuable! Plan on making a Wreath and donating it to the cause! Thanks to Escape Lounge and all who make this event a reality! Remember to join us Friday December 9th at 7:00 PM for the 2nd Annual Festival of Wreaths benefitting Saint Therese Center HIV

**Escape Lounge** 



Wreaths for the Auction to benefit Saint Therese Center HIV Outreach Even AIDS Ribbon Wreath!



