

## Regional Offices Open Arms this Holiday Season

Charitable giving is something we have done since this company was started. Helping others is a very important part of our corporate moral fabric and JTS feels fortunate that we can do this.

In lieu of our traditional Thanksgiving party this year, JTS opted to take the funds spent on the 42-year long tradition and make a donation to a charitable cause in our communities for people in need of food, clothing, and shelter, especially during the holidays.

The **JTS Fresno headquarters** donated \$8,000 to the Fresno Rescue Mission, which will be used partly for their Academy Program. It provides a 12-month housing, counseling and workshop program to help adult males overcome addiction. They also provide school classes, many to obtain a high school diploma, as well as job training and job placement upon program completion. The Rescue Mission hosts a Christmas party with food and gifts for the men and their families. Part of our donation entirely underwrote this event.

The balance was given to Rescue the Children. The Fresno Rescue Mission purchased and is in process of refurbishing a hotel for women to live in safety with their children and escape from abusive relationships. The first group of 13 women and children moved into the facility in October 2012. The hotel will eventually hold 75 women and children once operating at full capacity. Our donation will help purchase home items for refurbished hotel rooms.

**Our International and Rail Intermodal Divisions** gave to The Gathering Inn of Roseville, CA. The Gathering Inn provides a community-based response to people in need in south Placer County by offering hope, dignity and a secure place to rest at night, in addition to a wide range of services that help clients get back on their feet again.

Our Roseville staff showed up to help serve the homeless from The Gathering Inn on two different evenings as part of their charitable contribution.

The **Tigard, OR office** gave to two charities:

First, the Wichita Center, which is a non-profit organization that helps families in need during hard times by supplying food, shelter, clothing, back packs, after school programs, and more.

St. Vincent De Paul was also chosen. They are a non-profit organization that helps homeless mothers and their children.

The Tigard office gave a total of \$1,250 in monies, food, and clothing for 2012.

Our **Salem, OR** office donated to Mission of Hope, a volunteer organization which started as an outreach to the homeless by serving meals under the Center Street Bridge and in local parks. Since its inception, MOH has fed thousands of meals to those less fortunate or whose life has been dominated by addictions or mental illness. In the summer of 2010 MOH became part of Silver Creek Fellowship. In partnership

with Marion Polk Food Share, MOH launched a mobile food bank and food pantry serving Silverton, Southeast Salem and the Santiam Canyon.

The **Denville, NJ** office made a contribution of \$1,000 to Community Food Bank of New Jersey. Through their network of outreach centers and kitchens, the Community Food Bank of New Jersey distributes food to the needy statewide. Last year they assisted over 1 million people. JTS was informed that because of the devastation caused by Hurricane Sandy, several additional emergency food pantries and soup kitchens were opened. During this 20-day period The Community Food Bank distributed 5.2 million pounds of food and groceries (more than double their normal food distribution during this period).

Kathleen DiChiara, President and CEO Community Food Bank of New Jersey thanked JTS for their kindness and generosity. She went on to say, “We could not assist our friends and neighbors in crisis without the support of organizations like Johanson Transportation Service”.

Our **Madison, WI office** donated \$1,000 to the Second Harvest Food Bank of Southern Wisconsin, which is dedicated to ending hunger in the area. They acquire and distribute food to more than 225 partner programs in 16 counties.



***Pictured L to R: NBC news anchor John Stofflet; Jesse Schroeter-JTS, Dan Stein-President and CEO of Second Harvest Food Bank of Southern Wisconsin; and, Carrie Williams – JTS Branch Manager, Midwest Region.***