



# Honoring the Spirit of Giving and Volunteerism

February 2018



*Pictured above: Students from Miller Elementary's "Random Acts of Kindness" Club drop off an impressive 468 pairs of new socks for men, women, and children at Interfaith's Betty and Melvin Cohn Center headquarters*

## Miller Elementary "Random Acts of Kindness" Club Donates Hundreds of Socks to Interfaith

Interfaith says a big thank you to the students at Miller Elementary in Escondido for dropping by this month with an incredible donation of 468 pairs of new socks! Students in the "Random Acts of Kindness" Club at Miller Elementary held a two-month long sock drive at their school to collect new socks for the men, women and children who visit Interfaith during our morning breakfast. These clients are often in need of a pair of warm, clean, and dry socks, and thanks to these young philanthropists, Interfaith will be able to provide them.

## MUFG Union Bank Foundation Donates \$20,000 to Haven House

Interfaith is honored to announce that the MUFG Union Bank Foundation has generously donated \$20,000 in support of our *Haven House* Year-Round Shelter.

The MUFG Union Bank Foundation, a nonprofit public benefit corporation, serves as an agent for charitable contributions made by MUFG Union Bank, N.A. The Foundation's mission is to make philanthropic investments that expand access to affordable housing, community economic development, education, human services, and the environment. Interfaith thanks the MUFG Union Bank Foundation for their generous support of *Haven House* and our efforts to end homelessness in North San Diego County!



## Interfaith Named Starbucks "Project Give Good" Recipient

After participating in Interfaith's 2017 Holiday Adopt-a-Family Program, our local Escondido Starbucks was so impressed that they donated \$200 in Starbucks gift cards for our volunteers! Store Manager Doreen Bavario nominated Interfaith to receive the donation as part of Starbucks' "Project Give Good" program. Interfaith thanks Starbucks for recognizing our hardworking volunteers with this donation!



*Pictured above: Starbucks Store Manager Doreen Bavario (left) with volunteer Jeana Skinner (center) and Development Assistant Kiana Quarles*



## Valley High School Students Donate New Shoes to Interfaith

Thank you to the students at Valley High School in Escondido for dropping by Interfaith this month and donating twelve pairs of new shoes for our homeless and low-income clients. Especially for our clients living on the streets during the winter months, clean, sturdy, and warm shoes are a necessity. This shoe donation was in addition to the 75 peanut butter and jelly sandwiches that the students make and deliver to Interfaith on a weekly basis! Thanks to all of the Valley High students for participating in both of these volunteer projects this month!

*Pictured left: Valley High students drop off their donations with Cal State San Marcos intern Jaelah Williams (right)*



*Pictured left: Yusef Miller (far left) drops off new comforters for Haven House with members of the Islamic Society of North County*

## Islamic Society of North County Donates 50 Comforters to Haven House Year-Round Shelter

On Tuesday, February 6th, Yusef Miller and friends from the Islamic Society of North County, located in Escondido, donated 25 twin-size comforters to Interfaith. They were immediately used in the Haven House Year-Round Shelter.

Maria Mercado, Haven House Case Manager, was honored when Yusef and his fellow donors returned with 25 more brand new comforters the very next day on February 7th! We thank the Islamic Society of North County for their support and are looking forward to continuing our partnership in the future.

## Sprouts Healthy Communities Foundation Donates \$5,000

Interfaith thanks the Sprouts Healthy Communities Foundation for awarding a \$5,000 2017 Neighborhood Grant! With this funding, we will be able to purchase the food needed to supplement any gaps in food-drive or fresh rescue donations.



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