



A Donation in Loving Memory of Laurna Boone

On June 21st, we had a wonderful visit and donation from Bellevue Christian Church in honor of the late Laurna Boone.



Laurna Boone was a Helping Hands resident for 7 years, from 1997 to 2004. She moved into Halcyon in 1997 and then into Trail House 2000. Her family has been loyal supporters of Helping Hands for many years. Bellevue Christian Church, the church of Laurna Boone's parents Dan and Carol, has recently disbanded.

In the late 50's, the Disciples of Christ started a church in Bellevue. The church was created mostly by engineers from the Midwest brought to Washington by Boeing. Recently, the church's population had progressed toward a more senior orientation, and they collectively realized that they could no longer keep up with managing the maintenance and upkeep of their church in Bellevue. They decided to sell to another local church. Ten percent of the sale of their church was given to different organizations in the community.

They continued at a local elementary school for the last three years. They have since realized that it was time for the congregation to go their

separate ways. After that decision was made, they vowed to give the remainder of their funds back to the community. Thus, they landed on Helping Hands for the Disabled. They have been touring the community donating funds in the names of their church and its constituents. We are deeply grateful for their generous donation. We are so happy that they were able to make a lasting impact in the name of one of our residents. A special shout out to Jim Richards, the Outreach Chair of Bellevue Christian Church, Charlotte Wilhelm, a Board Member of Bellevue Christian Church, and Chris Lona, a member of Bellevue Christian Church, who made the donation to one of our residents in person.



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Get to know Bridge Ministries

We would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge an organization that does a lot of great things for those who are differently-abled: Bridge Ministries. They have been instrumental in helping many with quality medical equipment. Bridge Ministries is top notch in making sure all of the equipment is working well and usable. They receive medical equipment donations and resell the equipment at a reasonable price.

Bridge Disability Ministries was founded in June 1987 by Rev. Henk Wapstra, a Presbyterian Minister. They honor the “God-given dignity of people living with disabilities.” Although they are a faith based organization, they do not discriminate against anyone because of race, religion, ethnicity, age, disability, creed or national origin.

Bridge’s Meyer Medical Equipment Ministry started with a commitment to helping people with disabilities get used wheelchairs and walkers. The Ministry has since expanded to address other health and care-taking equipment needs. Helping Hands for the Disabled continues to donate to them and purchase their refurbished medical equipment for our residents. They do wonderful customer service and equipment management. If you have any needs of medical equipment or something to donate, please contact them at: (425) 885-1006.



Share Your Talents With Us!

Looking for a way to give back and become a bigger part of your community?! We have the perfect opportunity. We are looking for active participants on our Board of Directors. We could use talents in finance and accounting, marketing, legal matters, and various other areas. If you are at all interested, please get in contact with us either at 425-644-4344 or at info@hhftd.org. Don't worry about the commitment. Meetings are held every other month, with a call-in option for those who can't physically attend.

Helping Hands for the Disabled is in need of positive, caring and involved adults who are interested in supporting the agency with volunteer time. We are an organization that supports developmentally disabled adults find housing and fulfil their goals in life. We currently support 25 residents in Bellevue and Kirkland. We were founded in 1975 and are a vital part of the community. We are looking for your talents to add to our board. We need smart, caring, invested individuals such as yourself to support our goals and missions. We would like individuals with backgrounds in marketing, event planning, real estate, financials or those with interests in social services.

As a board member, you will oversee the agency and help make important, long-lasting decisions for our residents and agency. Our board members meet every other month on the second Tuesday at our office in King County. You also have the ability to phone in if you cannot physically attend. We encourage our Board Members to donate to and attend our Annual Auction, which raises money for our residents. It is necessary for you to vote on crucial agenda items and use your talents as much as you are able. If you would like to make a difference with your free time, then Helping Hands needs you. Our Retreat is held in January or February of each year, lasting about four hours, with in-person participation requested.

Contact Us

Give us a call or send us an email for more information about our organization.

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