Brother Benno's Newsletter



"Uplifting The Dignity of Those We Serve"

Volunteers Making a Difference

September 2021



CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS FUNDED BY KIND AWARD OF GRANTS

by Joe McDevitt

Under Brother Benno's Substance Abuse Recovery Program, seven sober-living homes are provided to assist in the rehabilitation of men and women for up to a 38-week period for each person. These homes are often occupied at or near capacity of up to 42 individuals for the seven homes.

The appliances, beds, and home furnishings are in constant use, so continued upkeep is needed to retain a suitable environment for our Guests in recovery. This year, we have been fortunate to receive grants that helped us to replace dated and/or failed appliances and furnishings for all seven homes.

Our hearts are full of gratitude for the kind award of grants by the following organizations:

- County of San Diego, Neighborhood Reinvestment Program, Jim Desmond's Office.
- San Marcos Community Foundation.
- Coastal Community Foundation.
- The Parker Foundation.

In moving forward, our plans are to continue to request funds for other needed improvements to the sober-living homes, which include plumbing and electrical upgrades.

We are also pleased to report that the painting and upkeep of the exterior of the Brother Benno Center on Production Avenue in Oceanside has been completed with colors that match nearby business buildings. We believe the new exterior paint and increased upkeep of the grounds presents an improved appearance for our Center.

We have also submitted renovation plans to City offices for approval to upgrade the serving

line and scullery at the Center. These improvements will enhance the preparation and serving of meals from our Kitchen. We will announce the planned completion date for this renovation, and also our plans to celebrate the use of the new serving line and scullery that will be used by our many Volunteers and Guests.

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DINING ROOM RE-OPENING DELAYED

Due to the increased outbreak of the Delta variant of COVID-19, we delayed the planned August re-opening of the Center's dining room where we've always served a hearty breakfast six days a week. We continue to assess the timing of the re-opening based on State and CDC guidelines, and our Board of Directors has decided not to re-open in September as well. As far in advance as practical, we will be in direct contact with each volunteer serving team to reschedule the opening.

We continue to provide daily breakfasts in to-go packets and sack lunches to all Guests visiting the Center. This includes monthly non-perishable food boxes for families and others in need.

Thanks to everyone for your patience and support.

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Brother Benno Auxiliary's Sponsorship, Branding & Donation Form "Pay it Forward" Charity Golf Fundraiser at Camp Pendleton's Marine Memorial Golf Club Tuesday, October 5, 2021

Name/Business	· 		Contac	ct/Business:		
Address:						
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SPONSORSH	P LEVELS					AMOUNT
TITLE	Sponsor four (4) active from a combination of				\$5,000	
MASTERS		Sponsor three (3) active-duty Military members or create your own threesome om a combination of sponsored military and civilian golfers.			\$3,000	
CHAMPION	Sponsor two (2) active-duty Military members or create your own twosome rom a combination of sponsored military and civilian golfers.			\$1,000		
WARRIOR	Sponsor one (1) active	Sponsor one (1) active-duty Military member or civilian golfer.			\$ 500	
CADDY	Sponsor one (1) active	Sponsor one (1) active-duty Military member for a day of golf.			\$ 150	
GOLF OUTING	SPONSORSHIPS					
GOLF TOWELS	Golf towels with your Company Logo and information; golf towels will be provided to all participating golfers at check in			\$1,500		
GOLFERS' LUNCH	Golfers' lunch tickets branded with your Company logo and information.			\$1,000		
GOLFERS' BREAKFAST	Golfers' breakfast venue will include your Company Logo and information. Breakfast is provided to all participating golfers at check-in.			\$ 750		
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Mail donations and/or checks by September 27th, 2021 to: Brother Benno's Auxiliary/Golf P.O. Box 334 • San Luis Rey, CA • 92068-0334

Memorials

Ron Alexander Dixie & Lou Bales Frank Barnet Brother Benno Edith Blaiser Andrea Boersma Roland Bond Bill Boster Agnus & Joan Boyd Bill Buckner Deacon Art & Mary Carr Anna Correia Don & Dorothea Daybell Phyllis H. Dierlam Frank S. Dolley Anita H. Donahue Dorothy M. Donahue Fr. Luke Dougherty Roseanne Dreibelbis Fr. Abbot Claude Ehringer, OSB Myron Eichen Richard Farhquar William & Vennita Flanagan Louise Foussat Joe & Ida Friend

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Rosemary Tucker

Happy Birthday Jane Drinkwalter

Needs

Gently used furniture Adult Diapers for Men and Women Blankets

Ben Osgrove

Diapers, especially sizes 3 through 6

KIDS GET HELP AS THEY HEAD BACK TO SCHOOL

Many children are going back to school, and the families we serve are often in need of backpacks and school supplies. Brother Benno's is fortunate to have friends and organizations that answered our last-minute call for help, such as the local chapter of NAACP, North Coast Church, and the Oceanside Unified School District. They provided more than 100 new backpacks stuffed with school supplies to distribute to our young Guests.

Board President Kathleen Diehlmann said, "We are truly grateful and excited to help children start the school year off right."

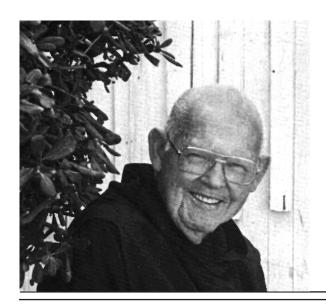
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3955 Mission Ave. (East of Albertsons) 760-967-7505

Please use the enclosed envelope to make your tax-deductible donation to the Brother Benno Foundation. If you are viewing this online you can donate by going to brotherbenno.org and click on <u>Donations</u>. This will allow you to make a secure donation using PayPal or a Credit Card.

Your donation is used each month at our main center and eight operational houses to provide: meals, clothing, personal hygiene items, blankets, showers, laundry facilities, bus vouchers, nights of lodging, medical and mental health referrals, prescriptions, ID replacement, mail services, Social Security, and veterans' issues, food packs, men and women's drug and alcohol recovery program, rent and utility assistance when funds are available. We thank you for your continued support. 100% of your contribution goes directly to assist those we serve. Our modest administration costs are paid for by our Thrift Store revenues.



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Brother Benno's Services:

	July 2021	Our 37th Year		July 2021	Our 37th Year
Meals	7,051	4,637,864	Loads of laundry	0	28,628
Nights of lodging	806	330,226	Food packs	327	361,365
Articles of clothing	3,013	1,449,676	Blankets	48	49,739
Showers	0	271,036	Tarps	16	6,457
Haircuts	0	22,885	ID Vouchers	18	10,203
Bus passes	36	86,556	HUGS	0	1,011,244