

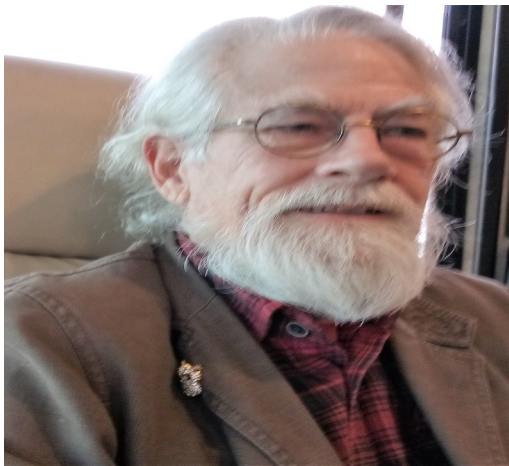


**HAPPY HOLIDAYS FROM THE  
AIDNW HOSPITALITY HOUSE !**

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**MEET THE BOARD !**

**THIS MONTH : BILL LLOYD**



I volunteer at the Welcome Center a few days per month, and have recently been chosen to serve on the board of directors as well. Serving at the Welcome Center is one of the most rewarding experiences I know. The released immigrants are so grateful and tell of the most astounding journeys to get here. What a privilege to serve such absolutely deserving folks!

¡Gracias!  
Gràcies!  
Thank you!  
Merci!  
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**AIDNW monthly service statistics NOVEMBER 2019**

Released	70	Overnight	22
Immigrants		hospitality given	
visiting		to released	
Welcome Center		Immigrants	
Backpacks	70	Detention	47
given to		Center	
released		Visitations	
Immigrants			
Transportation	30	Volunteer Hours	640
Given			

**MEET JESUS AND HIS FAMILY!**



Jesus was detained on Christmas day 2017 and released October 31st, 2019. He is the father of 5 and is still waiting for his work permit. His wife works but struggles to support them.

A local group will be sponsoring this family for the Holiday Season.

## Why keep the “ICE NW Processing Center “here.

Many volunteer with AIDNW because we see the treatment of Immigrants as neither just nor fair. Some groups want this detention center closed. AIDNW believes that detention centers will be part of the US policies for the foreseeable future. We believe having this center in a metropolitan area is advantageous for those detained.



Here, there are many support services—spiritual, physical, legal—that the detainees can access. Tacoma is a welcoming community and AIDNW is grateful for the community wide support we are able to channel to these folks.

Having a working relationship with the staff gives us the advantage of being able to keep abreast of conditions inside the institution. Upon release, immigrants are close to major transportation, and are often back with their families by the next day.

We are aware of instances where detention centers were built 30 or 40 miles from the nearest small town. People detained there have no access to services, and fare far worse than the folks detained here in Tacoma.

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

**DECEMBER 21 5-10PM**

**NIGHT MARKET @ ALMA MATER**

**1322 Fawcett Ave, Tacoma**

**Community Roundtable Meeting**

January 15th, 2020 9:30 – 11AM  
St. Leo's Parish 710 So 13th St Tacoma

**OVERVIEW OF PROGRAMS**

January 18, 2020 10 am -12  
Peace Lutheran Church 10 am -12 pm



## THANK YOU to everyone who voted for AIDNW in the BECU “People’s Choice Award.”

We are excited to announce that AIDNW, Advocates for Immigrants in Detention, was honored to receive the



BECU Peoples Choice Award, an award granted by BECU to non-profits making a difference in their community. From an original 800 applicants, AIDNW

was selected as one of 18 semi-finalists. In November, BECU "got out the vote" and the Peoples Choice Award was determined by that outcome. According to a BECU staff member, AIDNW garnered the highest number of votes in the history of this award. We are so thankful that BECU, you, and our greater community believe in and support welcoming immigrants to our country.

## AIDNW Wish List

**LOCAL grocery gift cards/groceries**

**Men's warm coats/sweaters /sweatshirts  
S,M,L**

**DUFFEL BAGS/ Small Carry On  
Suitcases**

**Donations accepted at  
Hospitality House T&TH 11-2  
1915 S Sheridan Ave. Tacoma  
Contact [officevolunteer@aidnw.org](mailto:officevolunteer@aidnw.org)  
for more info on current needs**

**Visit our website [www.aidnw.org](http://www.aidnw.org) for a  
link to our AMAZON WISH LIST**

### Want to learn more?

Awareness is a critical part of the work of AIDNW. Our Speakers Group presents



to Churches, Synagogues, Temples, Mosques, Service Clubs, and others who might be interested in learning about immigration, detention, the Northwest ICE Processing Center and the work of AIDNW. If you would like a presentation please contact:

**EMAIL : [info@aidnw.org](mailto:info@aidnw.org)**



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