



\$**15,075**

AIDNW wishes to thank everyone who donated to make the GIVEBIG campaign a huge success! As many of you know, we are a VOLUNTEER driven organization, with only one full-time, and two part-time paid staff members. Donations from our supporters and friends are our lifeline!

We are grateful, humbled and proud to know that this community supports the work of AIDNW.

THANK YOU!!!



The Congressional Hispanic Caucus (CHC) has installed a Día de Muertos altar in the U.S. Capitol Building — and they've dedicated it to the immigrants and asylum seekers who died while in federal custody or journeying to the country.

YOUR DONATIONS AT WORK APRIL 2020

Immigrants released from detention	65
Stays at the Hospitality House (few hours)	4
Welcome backpacks handed out	50
Letters written to detainees	48
Transportation given	31
Volunteer hours 52	20.75

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**

VOLUNTEER OF THE QUARTER:

CHARNLEY MARSDEN

We moved back to the Tacoma area in 2016. I was looking for volunteer opportunities, and I found that our church, FOX ISLAND UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST, was serving hospitality to those who were visiting people incarcerated in the Tacoma Detention Center. I attended a community meeting when the AIDNW office was in the First United Methodist Church, and began volunteering then.

Since I am a computer programmer and systems analyst, I was very glad to be able to use my expertise in helping set up the new system that tracks our volunteers and donors. [Charnley has donated **over 150 hours** since December to make this database a reality]

My husband, Ron Patterson, is a retired minister and I have been with him several times when he has officiated at wedding ceremonies inside the Detention Center.

I have continued to support Deborah while working from home, and am anxious to get back to working in the Hospitality House and meeting our guests.



Several AIDNW volunteers made these Mother's Day cards to be distributed to the women being held inside the DETENTION CENTER.





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AIDNW Calendar of Events NEXT COMMUNITY MEETING MAY 20. 2020 9.30 –11 AM THIS WILL BE A ZOOM CALL!! Speakers include

Tim Chen, Board President Deborah Cruz Program Manager Covid 19 Procedures Jefferson Mok Tacoma City Commilssion on refugee affairs Communicating with ICE regarding COVID19

If you would like to "be at the meeting" please email: officevolunteer@aidnw.org A LINK WILL BE SENT TO YOU VIA EMAIL A FEW DAYS BEFORE THE MEETING.

Changes to our programs under COVID 19

- The AIDNW **Welcome Center** is working outdoors and we are taking all necessary precautions to protect both our volunteers and our guests.
- **Hospitality House** is only accepting people who are released who need to wait a few hours for transportation. No overnight stays are allowed at this time.
- **PDAN** volunteer drivers are busy taking released immigrants to the airport or to hotels for overnight stays before airport travel.
- **Visits** are not allowed inside the Detention Center, but our volunteer visitors continue to connect with detainees by writing letters.
- Clothing and other in-kind **donations** are being accepted only through our Amazon Wish list and can no longer be dropped at the house.

Monetary donations are accepted through the mail and the website https://aidnw.org/how-to-donate/