



SONOMA APPLIED VILLAGE SERVICES

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Gravenstein Health Action

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Dear Gravenstein Health Action Members,

Thank you for your generous donation of \$750. As you probably know, it went to a wonderful couple at Horizon Shine who have been fixing their truck and trailer in order to move to another state where they have better resources. The repairs were almost complete when a major part of their motor blew up. They were crushed by this setback.

Now, with your help, they've been able to finish their repairs and are once again moving forward with their plans!

Our mission at SAVS is to set up tiny villages where homeless people can immediately get off the street and into a place of safety and security. The Villages are bare bones but for people, like this couple, it can be a lifesaver.

There are 25 people living in our Sebastopol village and the trauma of homelessness hits them hard. Because they live in their own R.V.s and trailers they usually don't need bedding or coats but they do need things like a doctor, a car part, a California I.D and more. Our staff works with each person to chip away at these barriers to jobs and housing.

We're gearing up to open another village this fall, focused on Latinx homeless people. This community has been under-served by our homeless system in Sonoma County, and there is great need for the kind of help we provide. We are looking for property to lease or buy: 1-2 acres in the million and a half price range. Maybe you know a property owner who would like to work with us?

It takes an enormous confluence of stakeholders, politicians, homeless people, staff and individuals like yourselves to keep Horizon Shine Village alive and vibrant. My sincere thank you to each one of you.

Sincerely,

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