

Letter: SLT warm room advocates thankful

To the community,

On behalf of the Tahoe Coalition for the Homeless (TCH), I would like to thank our community for a successful inaugural season of the South Lake Tahoe Warm Room and the first overnight homeless services in the Tahoe Region.

Our agency appreciates vital funding provided this winter by the El Dorado Community Foundation, Tahoe Magic, and Reliapro Painters, along with many other community partners.

Each week we received food, clothing, toiletry, and supply donations from caring and compassionate community partners such as the Junior S Club of South Lake Tahoe Middle School, Girl Scouts, South Tahoe High School, and Tahoe Beach and Ski Club. Harrah's and Harveys Employee's Reaching Out and Barton Health both hosted large supply drives as well, providing most of our needed items. Other supportive groups included the Rotary Club of South Lake Tahoe, Soroptimist International of South Lake Tahoe, Soroptimist International of Tahoe Sierra and the Tahoe Douglas Rotary.

Special thanks to Amanda Burroughs and staff at Imagine Salon who provided our guests with fresh haircuts in March.

The South Lake Tahoe Warm Room closed on April 1 for the season. The Warm Room served 107 unduplicated individuals during this cold and snowy winter and provided 1,820 shelter bed nights. We appreciate our volunteers who dedicated over 1,600 hours to this project this winter.

Tahoe Coalition for the Homeless can be contacted at tahowarmroom@gmail.com or 775.573.0822. Please visit our **website**.

Marissa Muscat, Tahoe Coalition for the Homeless

PS: Donations are welcomed to aid in funding the Warm Room 2016-17 season. Checks may be made payable to Live Violence Free (our fiscal sponsor), note "Warm Room" in the memo line and mail to P.O. Box 13514, South Lake Tahoe, CA 96151. Online donations are possible; note "Warm Room" in the additional information box.