

# Letter: Warm room a success because of community

To the community,

Tahoe Coalition for the Homeless would like to thank the many community members and volunteers who helped in the cleanup and closing of the South Lake Tahoe Warm Room in early April. The Warm Room was open from Dec. 18 through April 1, and provided the first overnight homeless services in the Tahoe region.

We received help from the South Lake Tahoe Challenge Program through the Juvenile Treatment Center. South Tahoe Middle School supported our cleanup efforts as well. We appreciate students and staff from Whittell High School and South Tahoe High School Interact Clubs. We also are grateful for the efforts of the many Tahoe Douglas Rotarians who participated.

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 1600 hours to this project this winter.

Tahoe Coalition for the Homeless is looking for businesses to run supply drives in the fall of 2016 and for volunteers for the 2016-17 winter season. We can be contacted at [tahowarmroom@gmail.com](mailto:tahowarmroom@gmail.com) or 775.573.0822. Please visit our **website**.

Donations are welcomed to aid in funding the Warm Room 2016-17 season. Checks can 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 or make donations **online** and note "Warm Room" in the additional information box. We will be accepting supplies again in the fall 2016.

Sincerely,

**Marissa R. Muscat, executive director**