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Newsletter



In 2019

- 24,100 Lunch Meals Served
- 5,242 Volunteer Hours
- 100 - 200 Meals Served Daily



GRAND CENTRAL STATION

Sherman, Texas

A Night of Grace & Gratitude

for the Underserved & Overlooked

A grand time was had by all as Grand Central Station celebrated it's second Annual fundraiser on August 22nd at the Hilton Garden Inn and Conference Center. Ron Hall, movie producer and author of the #1 New Your Times Bestseller "Same Kind Of Different As Me" was the keynote speaker, generating an emotional spirit throughout the banquet hall, as he shared his philosophy, Together we can change the world, one random act of kindness at a time.

Many thanks go out to all our Sponsors, Donors and friends for supporting Grand Central Station!

Grand Central Station wants to say
Thank You to our Amazing Sponsors!

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Non-Attending

- Benjamin F. Edwards
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- Dr. David & Jenny Reynolds
- Jim & Nancy Russell
- Robert & Sherry Little
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GRAND CENTRAL STATION Appreciates Your Continued Support!

Grand Central Station needs and welcomes your donation in any denomination! Every dollar counts and is used for food for our neighbors, Children's After School Food program, The Green House and day-to-day operations for our Soup Kitchen. Your donation is TAX DEDUCTIBLE. Please send your donation to:
Grand Central Station, P.O. Box 3173, Sherman, Texas 75091.

GRAND CENTRAL STATION 2019 NEEDS/WISH LIST

- » **Bottled Water** (we hand out over 1,000 bottles per week)
- » **Brown Paper Bags 12#**
- » **Razors**
- » **Deodorant - Small Size**
- » **Toothbrushes**
- » **Travel Size Toothpaste**
- » **Sweet Relish**
- » **#10 Canned Goods**
- » **Louisiana Hot Sauce**
- » **CANNED Coffee 3#**
- » **Gallon Sized Tea Bags**
- » **Plastic Forks, Spoons & Knives**
- » **Pam Cooking Spray**
- » **Trash Can Liners - 13 & 33 Gal**
- » **Sandwich/QT/Gal Zip Lock Bags**
- » **White Cotton Women's Socks**
- » **White Cotton Men's Socks**
- » **Hand Sanitizer**
- » **Boxed Mac N Cheese**
- » **Individual serving size trail mix**



Dixie Eoff, is one of our wonderful volunteers at **The Green House** Food Pantry and Clothing Closet. Dixie has been volunteering with **The Green House**

for about three years along side with her husband, Mike. After retirement, Mike and Dixie decided they needed more fulfillment in their lives. We are so very happy that they chose to work with our group. Dixie comes with many qualities that makes having her invaluable. Dixie says the work she performs with us is much like the work she did before she retired. You can always count on Dixie and Mike to be there to help, unless they are taking one of their trips to the lake.

GRAND CENTRAL STATION BUILDING CAMPAIGN KICKOFF



CURRENT BUILDING

Since opening our doors in 2010 Grand Central Station has given hope to thousands of neighbors in need through an umbrella of charitable programs: The Dining Car, Children's Express, The Green house, and Tools for Schools.

We have been so successful over the past nine years that we have outgrown our facilities and need more space. As announced at the Fundraising Gala last month, we have purchased the building at 619 E. Houston; a facility that will be over 3 times larger than our current space. The cost for purchasing and remodeling the 10,000/ft² building is estimated at \$1.2 million, thus the implementation of a building campaign to raise the necessary funds.

The good news is that in the past eight months we are already at over 46% of our goal. What will this mean for our clients?

- ♦ Meals for over 150 individuals at one time;
- ♦ Double the frequency of food distribution to pantry clients from once every two months to once per month;
- ♦ Increased services will reduce stress and support the dignity of our clients with shorter waiting times and an environment that is sensitive to their emotional as well as basic needs;
- ♦ A comfortable and inviting client intake and waiting area;
- ♦ A "Choice Pantry" that allows clients to choose their food

Let's get this done in 2020! For information about how YOU can support this critical initiative contact any of the following:

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NEW BUILDING

GRAND CENTRAL STATION DINING CAR

SERVING LUNCH TO THOSE IN NEED

110 THROCKMORTON

SHERMAN, TX

(Between Lamar and Houston)

Monday—Friday 9:00 am -1:00 pm

Coffee, Juice & Breakfast Items

Served at 9 am

Hot lunch served between 11 - 1 pm

Saturdays - bag lunches served 9 am
until all food is gone

Showers, washer, dryer available M-F
TV & Computers with WIFI

Volunteer assistance with
applications and forms

OUR PURPOSE

Provide for the underserved

OUR VISION

A hopeful and nourished
community in Body, Soul and Spirit

OUR MISSION

We provide food, clothing,
tools for learning, advocacy
and life solutions for
our neighbors in need,
in an environment
of safety.

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**Children's Express is currently serving 714 children weekly
for our weekend back pack program through 6 schools.**



After a much-needed rest, Children's Express is ready for another school year. Children's Express finished the 2018-2019 school year serving 602 students on a weekly basis. This school year finds us serving 714 students which can change at a moment's notice.

Besides our dedicated volunteers, we have had three groups, Sherman Rotary, American Heritage Girls and Alpha Phi Omega- Phi Xi from Austin College, help us so far this year.

With the numbers increasing we are in need of more donations money for purchases, granola bars, small cans of tuna and chicken, peanut butter crackers, fruit cups, fruit snacks, and individual sizes of macaroni and cheese.

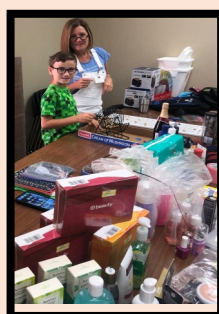
EGGS, EGGS, EGGS.....Grand Central Station is now serving a

heartier breakfast menu!



We appreciate our local donors, Nancy and Rick Nevil and Marla Liggett donating eggs to us! We use over 200 eggs each week!

Jane Seale, Rui Emerson and Donna Lamb have fun peeling fresh eggs for our visitors. We have added boiled eggs to the breakfast menu and they are very popular.



BINGO

*Drew Fletcher calls
out bingo letters*

with volunteer Angela Sharp. Everyone looks forward to the second and fourth Mondays each month.

Winners receive gifts such as large bottles of shampoo, conditioner and for Black Out winners, prizes include coffee pots, toasters or other larger gifts. Thank you to all those that donate to this special program for our visitors!

**COUNTLESS INDIVIDUAL DONATIONS, ANONYMOUS DONATIONS,
CORPORATE AND FOUNDATION DONORS, MAKE IT POSSIBLE TO FEED
OUR GRAND CENTRAL STATION FAMILY! THANK YOU!!**

Grand Central Station needs volunteers!

Is your Church or business looking for a mission/ outreach program? Are you personally looking for a meaningful volunteer opportunity?

Grand Central Station's existence depends on volunteers to prepare and serve meals, greet our visitors, sort and hang up clothes, pack food bags for our children, pick up and deliver food and help with our ministry!

For more information on a program that meets your individual, church or organization's needs, please contact our volunteer coordinators below!

Dorothy McKee – Dining Car - dodiemckee@gmail.com;

Patricia Whitson – Green House -
patriciagreenhouse3@gmail.com;

Or Suzi Hamel – Children's Express at suzi.hamel@gmail.com

Our commitment to serve the under-served citizens in the Texoma area is appreciated. You are making a difference in their lives!

On behalf of **Grand Central Station**, Visitors, Staff and Board, we thank you for your continued support!

Thanks to your support, you have helped feed hungry families and individuals throughout Grayson County and provided life-changing programs that help our struggling neighbors. We are grateful for your generosity. As many of you know, **Grand Central Station** relies heavily on the support of individuals like you to continue our mission.



Please donate today,
or send a check to:
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“The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others.” — Mahatma Gandhi

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