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Newsletter

Since our Beginning

In October 2010

- 233,031 lunch meals served
- 55,892 Volunteer hours
- 100 – 200 meals served daily

GRAND CENTRAL STATION 2017 NEEDS/WISH LIST

- ✓ Natural Gas Tankless Water Heater
- ✓ Volunteer Licensed Plumber to install tankless water heater
- ✓ CANNED Coffee 3#
- ✓ Gallon sized tea bags
- ✓ Plastic Forks, Spoons, Knives
- ✓ Styrofoam soup bowls
- ✓ Pam Cooking Spray
- ✓ Trash Can Liners, 13 & 33 gal
- ✓ Sandwich/QT/Gal Zip Lock Bags
- ✓ Brown Paper Bags 12#
- ✓ Razors
- ✓ Deodorant – small size
- ✓ Toothbrushes
- ✓ Travel size toothpaste
- ✓ Sweet Relish
- ✓ # 10 Canned Goods
- ✓ Louisiana Hot Sauce
- ✓ White cotton men's socks
- ✓ Bottled water
- ✓ Hand Sanitizer

Wakefield Elementary School students donated 60 loaves of homemade bread, baked with love for our visitors here at Grand Central Station right before Thanksgiving!

Thank you, Audrey Jones, for submitting the winning essay about participating in the **King Arthur Bake One, Share One** project that made this possible!

King Arthur has three goals for kids: learn, bake, share. The cross-curricular program includes math, science, reading, following directions, and more; they learn about baking via practical application of those skills.

After the 50-minute presentation, the students couldn't wait to bake the bread; they were quite eager to use and share their newfound knowledge by baking for others.

Each student made 2 loaves,



WAKEFIELD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

**“King Arthur -
Bake One, Share
One” project
donates 60 loaves
of Bread to our
Visitors at GCS!**

one to enjoy with their family and another to share with Grand Central Station's community.

The learning continued as students experienced the joy and satisfaction that comes from helping others.



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 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 & Rolls Served at 9 am

Hot lunch served between 11-1

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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THE GREEN HOUSE

THANK YOU!
“RUIZ CARES”
AND
THEIR
WONDERFUL
STAFF AND
VOLUNTEERS!

BEFORE



DURING AND AFTER



“RUIZ CARES” is volunteer program through Ruiz Foods, that gives the organization *AND* employees a way to give back to the community!

On Saturday, October 14th, a sunny, bright day, “Ruiz Cares” sent a team of over 25 enthusiastic and friendly volunteers to give our **Green House** a complete makeover! **The Green House** has been in great need of some maintenance and repair and we are so eternally grateful for the help of “RUIZ CARES” and their AMAZING Stewardship.

A team of three Ruiz employees was on-site at **The Green House** 3 full days prior to the big painting day, prepping, caulking, replacing rotten wood and roof repairs.

Take a look at some of their work in these photos. Everything looks so fresh, clean and inviting. The new, brighter coat of paint will surely help our neighbors in need find their way to the even greener, **Green House!**

The Green House is an organization under the Umbrella of **Grand Central Station** that helps families with clothing and mostly non-perishable food.

Located at 921 E. Houston in Sherman,
The Green House is open Monday,
Wednesday, and Friday from 1-4 pm.
903-868-2604

GREAT HAPPENINGS AT GRAND CENTRAL STATION

Many thanks to ALL our Donors who make this possible! Here are a few of our celebrations!

Sherman Community Kids
Decorates for Halloween!



Troop 93 and friends at the
Church of Jesus Christ of LDS
donates food, funds and help!



Capio Partners Hosts Children's
Christmas Party For GCS!



Women's Gift Exchange
donates coats!

Men's Christmas
Breakfast – Sponsored
by Paul and Cindy Bean

Douglass Distributing staff donates to
GCS and spends a day in the kitchen!

Chipotle donates food
for our neighbors!

SAM'S CLUB
Donates much
needed food to GCS

Southern Maid Donuts
donates food to GCS!

Noon Lions
Club
Food Baskets

Grayson County
Democratic Party
Donates to GCS!



Walmart Donates
much needed
food to GCS!

TYSON Donates
Much needed meat
to GCS!

Covenant
Presbyterian
Church!

Dr. Hilton Goldreich and
Orthodontics Staff
Volunteer at GCS!

Betsey and Bob
Utter Supports
GCS!



Grace United Methodist Church

Sanders, O'Hanlon, &
Motley PLLC
Holiday Kick Off Party
donates food and funds!

Whitewright
Methodist Church
donates
Christmas Gifts!

Elmont Baptist Church
donates Christmas gifts!

St. Mary's Columbus
Ladies Group donates
Christmas Gifts

Emerson donates to our
neighbors here at GCS!

Jean Chambers
crochets over
100 scarves and
hats for our
visitors!

Olive Garden
Donates much
needed food!

All our volunteers that served our
visitors on Thanksgiving Day!



Twin Cities Baptist Church donates
Children's Christmas Gifts!

Mom's Bakery
donates Cakes to
GCS!

First Baptist
Church
Van Alstyne!

North Texas Concert Chorale – Texoma
Messiah Sing-A-Long donates to GCS!

Belden Street Montessori donates food!

COUNTLESS INDIVIDUAL DONATIONS, ANONOMOUS 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;
Deb Allison – Green House - debora_allison@yahoo.com; or
Suzi Hamel – Children's Express at suzi.hamel@gmail.com

IMMEDIATE NEEDS

NEWSLETTER EDITOR

Writes and formats Grand Central Station's quarterly newsletter with support from the Executive Director.

DINING ROOM MANAGER & GREETER

- ✓ Greets our guest and makes sure they sign in
- ✓ Assists guests with washer/dryer check in
- ✓ Helps check in donations & give receipt if needed
- ✓ Distributes toiletries on a needs or request basis
- ✓ Puts the days menu on board at front door
- ✓ Assists those desiring a shower with towel and toiletries.
- ✓ Keeps drink stand and dining room tables cleaned throughout the day.
- ✓ Assists visitors to the correct person to assist with social service needs.



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: **Grand Central Station P.O. Box 3173 Sherman, Texas 75091.**

GRAND CENTRAL STATION

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