



SNOWCAP NEWS

JANUARY 2026

THANK YOU



Thank you sponsors and community for helping spread cheer and kindness this season!

With your support:
6,574 neighbors received new gloves, hats, and socks.
2,064 children received toys and holiday surprises!



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Food is Love

As we enter 2026, there is so much for all of us at SnowCap to be grateful for. This past year highlighted the complexity and magnitude of food insecurity in our community and how vulnerable so many of our neighbors are to hunger. We are grateful that when SNAP benefits were delayed in the fall and unprecedented numbers of folks in need came to our doors, you stood up for SnowCap with food drives, financial contributions and volunteer hours. In the months since, it has become clear that the uncertainty in social safety net programs that led to such dramatic increases in need for our services, are not going away anytime soon.

While ensuring we have enough food and resources to meet the current need is an ongoing challenge for SnowCap, we remain committed to our firm belief that plentiful and nutritious food nourishes so much more than bodies. To put it simply, Food is Love.

Our goal is that every person who visits our pantry leaves with a feeling of being seen, cared for and, yes, loved. Whether it is accommodating special requests for allergies and preferences, to offering a birthday cake to a child on their special day, our volunteers work tirelessly to go above and beyond for our neighbors. It made our day to receive this note from a recent client:

“Wow! I’ve got to say these volunteers have it figured out! I was probably there ten mins at the most! Good food, especially the fresh veggies! Hands down the best experience I’ve ever had getting a food box. I’ve always experienced long wait times. Uncomfortable rooms where you feel like people are judging you. Not here, thank you SnowCap! Keep up the amazing work!”- Drea

It is this kind of feedback that helped us to choose the theme for our upcoming auction: Food is Love. I want to extend my personal invitation for you to join us on March 14, 2026 for our signature event and largest fundraiser of the year! We will not only raise needed funds, but celebrate all that we have accomplished together. Please check out the information in this newsletter to purchase your seats, donate an item or sponsor this special night.

From all of us at SnowCap, we are grateful for YOU!

Kirsten Wageman
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Executive Director



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2025 Fill-A-Bag raised over \$30,000, and nearly 8,000 lbs of food, clothing, pet food, toys and hygiene items. A HUGE thank you to all participating businesses, organization, schools, and volunteers!

Thank You Fill-A-Bag Sponsors and Partners!

Please let your friends and family know how they can help!

Ways to nourish our community at SnowCap

Most Needed Items

- Canned tuna & peanut butter
- Canned fruit & vegetables
- Plastic, paper & reusable grocery bags
- Cans & bottles with deposit (rinsed please!)
- Pet food
- Warm coats, sweatshirts, and shoes
- Kid's pants sizes 6x-14
- Men's clothing (especially pants)
- Items for our auction →

*In tears as I write this....Thank you for blessing my kiddo...greatly. I'm healing from a traumatic brain injury and I appreciate you all so much...
- recent note from a client*

New Opportunities in the New Year

2026 is here, and what better way to start off the New Year, than by helping your neighbors through volunteering!

- **Clothing Program** - Weekly and monthly opportunities to help with sorting, hanging, and serving clients.
- **Pantry** - Help needed once a week Monday through Friday, from 9:30am-2pm.
- **Donation Reception** - Tuesdays and Fridays from 9am until 3pm.

Please contact nate@snowcap.org for details.

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For donations deliver to 17788 SE Pine St
Monday thru Friday from 9 am to 3 pm

For a listing of the recent memorials and honors made, please visit our website www.snowcap.org.

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invites you to join us for our Annual Auction
Saturday, March 14th, 2026
Embassy Suites Portland Airport
5 PM Silent Auction, 6:30 PM Dinner & Live Auction

Reserve your seats at www.snowcap.org

\$95 per guest/\$950 per table of 10 before February 14th

\$105 per guest/\$1,050 per table after February 14th

Get your ticket before prices go up!

Ways to participate in SnowCap's 2026 auction!

Join us at the event - Enjoy a fun evening of celebrating and supporting SnowCap's work. Visit www.snowcap.org or contact Nayely at 503-405-4293 or email Nayely@snowcap.org.

Donate Needed Items - SnowCap will turn these into funds to help your neighbors!

- **Gift Cards** - Have some unused gift cards that are gathering dust in a drawer?
- **Wine & Alcohol** - Do you have a nice bottle or two that you don't plan to drink?
- **Seats to sporting games, theater productions or other experiences** - Do you have season tickets that you could share a pair of seats to support SnowCap?
- **Stays and experiences** - Do you have a vacation home, timeshare week, or special service to offer?
- **Supplies** - Large and XL baskets!

**Unfortunately, we are unable to accept art, home décor, or items that require additional purchase to use or expire before October 2026.*

Sponsorship - Opportunities available for businesses, churches, and service organizations. Contact imke@snowcap.org.