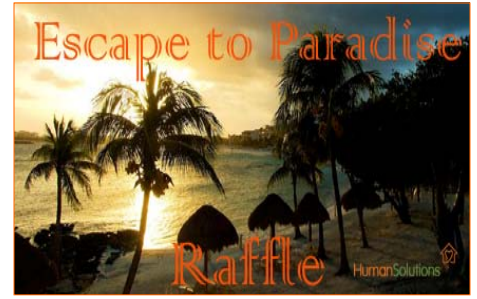




HumanSolutions



Helping Families to Help Themselves



### Human Solutions Helps Families Survive the Winter

Human Solutions is bursting with Spring energy, as the days get longer and the sun returns. The winter months are always challenging for the families we serve. To ensure that homeless and low-income families continue to have access to Human Solutions' services, we have created a series of happenings that will raise critical funds to assist families who are struggling to find pathways out of poverty. We encourage you to get out to attend one or more of our fun Spring Fundraisers. Here's our calendar:

**Escape to Paradise Raffle** Win accommodations for 4 or more at your destination of choice: Yucatan Peninsula in Mexico, the tropical island of Bali, or the Mediterranean countryside in Cortona, Italy. [Click here](#) to visit our events page for detailed descriptions and to purchase your \$50 raffle ticket online. Trips are valued at up to \$3,200. No more than 250 tickets will be sold for this raffle, making your chances VERY GOOD. You need not be present to win. Drawing will take place on March 13, 2010. Note: Airfare is not included.

**Tonight's the Night at the Copacabana** March 13<sup>th</sup> [Tony Starlight](#) presents "Tonight's the Night at the Copacabana" to benefit Human Solutions, 3728 NE Sandy Blvd. Tickets are \$50, available on our website now. Join us for a fabulous Copacabana Show, spectacular desserts, Live Auction, and more all to benefit Human Solutions. To purchase your ticket, please [click here](#). Sponsored by: [Affinity Property Management](#), [Talbot Benefit Auctions](#), [Portland General Electric](#), [Tonkon Torp LLP](#), [Cascade Management](#), and [Myhre Group Architects](#), with additional support from Portland Housing Bureau, Boyd Coffee Company, and The Boeing Company.

### 5% Community Support Day

March 18<sup>th</sup> [Whole Foods Market](#) presents a 5% Day to benefit Human Solutions, at their new Hollywood store, 4301 NE Sandy Blvd. from 8:00 AM to 10:00 PM. Stock up for the weekend, for your spring break activities, or go in just to see what all the buzz is about, and 5% of proceeds will go to HS.

### Take a Bite Out of Poverty

April 7<sup>th</sup> [Lincoln Restaurant](#) hosts a Percent Day, from 5:30 PM to closing. 10% of all food sales will be donated to HS. Reservations are suggested at this trendy fine dining hot spot. Expect to find seasonal NW cuisine prepared for taste and visual delight. Come for happy hour appetizers or a whole dinner...your choice. 3808 N. Williams #127. 503-288-6200 or [info@lincolnpx.com](mailto:info@lincolnpx.com)

April 13<sup>th</sup> [McMenamins Highland Pub](#) at SE 182<sup>nd</sup> and Powell Blvd. hosts a Friends & Family Night for Human Solutions. Bring the whole family, friends, and co-workers for drinks and/or dinner. 50% of all sales from 5:00 PM to 11:00 PM will be donated to HS. If you don't have kids, consider coming later in the evening to avoid the biggest rush. Hey, we hope there will be a crowd all night long...so come to meet other HS supporters and celebrate whatever is making you smile.

### Winter Shelter for Homeless Families update:

Thank you to everyone who donated so generously to the Daybreak Shelter and Winter Warming Center this year! We are extremely grateful for the financial contributions as well as the donated clothing and blankets. Your generosity was overwhelming and was most welcomed by the homeless families who were staying at the Daybreak Shelter or the Winter Warming Center because they were without anywhere to call home.

**Thanks to your support we are now providing safe shelter for up to 75 homeless people in families (children and adults) each night. We now have more than enough clothing to finish the winter season, but your continued financial support is needed to keep our emergency shelter open year round. Please [click here](#) to donate to Human Solutions and select Daybreak Shelter Network.**

### Update on the 30 Families in 30 Days program:

Under a new initiative from Multnomah County, Human Solutions, together with JOIN, exceeded our goal by placing 34 homeless families into permanent housing in the past 30 days. Thanks to funding from Multnomah County, we were able to provide rent assistance to 34 homeless families who were staying in the Daybreak Shelter, Goose Hollow Family Shelter, Winter Warming Center, on the streets, in cars or other vehicles, or were at high risk of danger because of their unsafe housing situation. This new program will provide these homeless families with rent assistance until the end of June. We are working with the families now to help them find employment before the end of June to ensure that they will not fall back into homelessness. We are seeking employers who might have full time jobs for the parents in these homeless families! Employers are asked to call Amy at 503-548-0224 to talk about the possibility of offering employment.

**Did you know...** that 82% of the families we serve are single women with children? Did you know that since July 1st last year, Human Solutions has fielded approximately 30,000 calls for help? ...that 5,609 households comprised of more than 15,000 individuals have received energy assistance? These figures represent some of those we are able to assist through one of our anti-poverty programs, but we estimate that only about 18% of those in need of energy assistance are able to get it. It will take all of us working together to stop the current wave of poverty from destroying more lives. Thank you for your commitment to making a difference for families facing homelessness.

**Every donation is important. Thank you for supporting Human Solutions.**

