



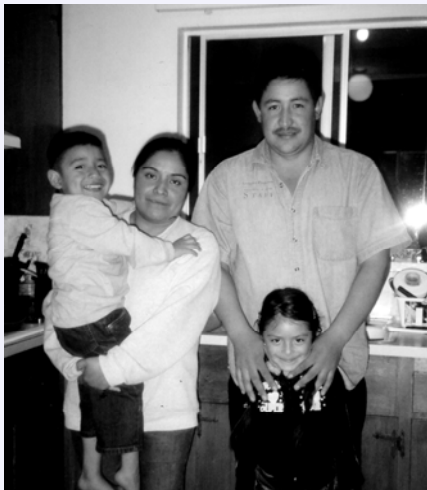
Mission

To assist homeless women, children and families obtain stable housing through temporary shelter and services.

Vision

Pajaro Valley Shelter Services aspires to be a model program that helps women, children, and families end the causes and cycles of homelessness—
one family at a time.

By lifting their dignity, identifying their barriers and helping to set their goals, homeless families will develop the skills and attitudes necessary to move on to stable housing and improved personal and economic self-sufficiency.



Single Moms Celebrate Special Mother's Day!

This Mother's Day is special for two single-moms living at our Emergency Shelter for Women and Children.



Sobeida & Lourdez

It wasn't too long ago that Sobeida was addicted to drugs and alcohol. She had lost just about everything - her home, her friends, her job. She knew she needed help when she faced losing her daughter, Lourdez. Sobeida and Lourdez moved into the Shelter.

Immediately, Sobeida enrolled in a training program to become an In Home Care Assistant. She has maintained sobriety for more than a year, saved money towards her own place, continues to receive counseling for drug and alcohol abuse, and takes parenting and ESL classes. Her English has so improved that she recently spoke on behalf of PVSS to United Way of Santa Cruz County.



Alejandra & Aidee

When Aidee's Dad left her and her Mom behind, they found themselves in dire circumstances. Alejandra had not worked outside the home and did not speak English. Like so many before her, she found herself homeless and scared. She was referred to the Shelter where she and her daughter have flourished.

Alejandra developed a self-sufficiency plan with her Case Manager that included ESL and parenting classes, finding childcare, getting a job and saving money. She's met all of these goals. Today Alejandra is working full time as a nanny, Aidee is in childcare and will start school in the Fall, and they are looking for a home of their own.

As we near Mother's Day 2006, these two moms have much to celebrate. They each faced difficult challenges and overcame them with determination and courage.

Our thanks to each and every one of you who help us with your support and encouragement – you made it possible for Sobeida & Lourdez and Alejandra & Aidee to celebrate success this Mother's Day!

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pvshelter.org

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Bravo Family - Together Again



The Bravo Family

The Bravo family never expected to face the dilemma of separating from each other in order to find a place to stay, but that was exactly the situation they faced.

When the picking season ended, Mr. and Mrs. Bravo couldn't find an affordable place to rent. With four children, every place was either too expensive or wouldn't rent to a family their size.

Desperate for a safe place for his family, Mr. Bravo brought his wife and three of their children to our Emergency Shelter for Women and Children. They sent their oldest son to live with relatives. Mr. Bravo stayed at an overnight shelter for men.

Even as they lived apart, they agreed to a family plan together with our Case Manager. Their plan consisted of a job search, couples counseling, saving money for stable housing, developing parenting skills and reuniting with their son.

During their separation, they were able to save enough money for rental housing and find jobs that would cover their expenses. In just a few months – reunited - they moved into a home of their own. They accomplished all their goals and more – and are forever grateful for Pajaro Valley Shelter Services and a community that supported them in their time of need.

Thanks....you are the BEST!

- To the City of Watsonville for the wonderful renovation of Marin Street Transitional Housing Units.
- To the Soroptimists of Watsonville for painting inside the Shelter.
- To all our Holiday Donors who provided truly wonderful holidays for all our families in the Shelter and Transitional Housing.
- To our numerous financial and gift-in-kind donors who allow us the privilege to serve homeless families that need our help....we are forever grateful.

Helping Families Help Themselves

Our two key programs:

- **Emergency Shelter for Homeless Women and Children**
- **Transitional Housing for Homeless Families**

are designed to help families help themselves by learning new job and language skills, linking with community services, and saving money so they can get – and keep – secure housing.

Both of our programs provide women, children and families the opportunity to:

- stabilize the immediate crisis,
- identify patterns that lead to cycles of homelessness, and
- develop and implement long-term strategies and skills for breaking this cycle.

Case management, and especially bilingual case management, is the key to helping families break a cycle of homelessness. Whether clients are in the Emergency Shelter or Transitional Housing Program, we help each family identify what led to their being homeless, connect them to services and resources in the community and develop strategies to stabilize their lives and start on a path to economic and personal self-sufficiency.

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GENERAL INFORMATION:

- Colorful event T-Shirt – 10K Run/5K Walk/Run
- Certified 10K, 5K, & 1K
- Computerized race results displayed
- Post Race Refreshments
- Bibs are non-transferable
- Entry Fees are non-transferable & non-refundable
- Rain or Shine Event!

AWARDS:

- 10K & 5K – 1st three male/female finishers in each age division receive event medal
- 1K - Each youth participant receives a ribbon

ENTRY FEES:

- 10K Run/ 5K Run/Walk - \$20 individuals
- 10K Run/ 5K Run/Walk - \$40 Family
(Up to 5 family members – Registrations must be turned in together – 2 T-shirts per Family)
- After 5/6/2003 entry fee is \$25 individuals / \$50 family
- 1K Children's Run - \$3 children under 12 (no T-Shirts)

ON-LINE REGISTRATION:

pvshelter.org or active.com

EVENT DAY REGISTRATION:

Sunday May 14, 2006
6:45 - 7:30 am

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO:

Pajaro Valley Shelter Services

MAIL OR DELIVER TO:

115 Brennan Street
Watsonville, CA 95076

PHONE: (831) 728-5649

22ND ANNUAL MOTHER'S DAY WALK / RUN FOR SHELTER

**Sunday, May 14, 2006
Ramsay Park * Watsonville, CA**

START TIMES:

7:30 am – 1K children's Fun Run
8:00 am – 5K Run/Walk
8:00 am – 10K Run



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Check one: 10K Run 5K Run/Walk 1K Children's Run Donation

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RELEASE & INDEMNITY AGREEMENT

(Do Not Fill)

In consideration of your accepting this entry, I hereby, for myself, and any participating children or wards of mine, my heirs, executors, and administrators, waive and release Pajaro Valley Shelter Services, the City of Watsonville, County of Santa Cruz, their employees, agents and contractors, and all other sponsors, officials, directors and other persons associated with this event, from any and all claims of damages, demands, or actions whatsoever in any manner, as a result of this registered person's participation in the 2006 Mother's Day Walk/Run for Shelter, and I agree to indemnify and hold harmless the above entities and persons from all liability for any injury suffered by the above named registered person arising from this event and I assume all risk for any such injury.

PARTICIPANT'S SIGNATURE _____

(Parent's signature if under 18)

DATE _____

DONATE NOW and ensure that homeless children and their parents find the Shelter's door open in their time of need.

Here is my tax-deductible donation of:

- \$1,000 \$500 \$250
 \$100 \$50 \$25
 Other _____
 My check is enclosed (payable to Pajaro Valley Shelter Services)
 Bill my *Visa* or *Master Card* (circle one)

Acct. # _____

Exp. Date _____

Signature _____

For more information, call (831) 728-5649

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**Registration available at:
pvshelter.org or (831) 728-5649
(see inside for details)**



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