# Newsletter

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# Thank You Volunteers!

April was Volunteer Appreciation Month, and we'd like to say **thanks to all of the wonderful people who give their time and energy to lend a hand** at the 40 Prado Homeless Services Center. We are so grateful to all of the amazing volunteers who help keep the center running. If you would like to volunteer please go to https://capslo.org/volunteer/ to sign up today. Day and night shifts are available.

In the month of March, the **Nighttime Shelter Program hosted an average of 122 persons per night**. There were 207 unduplicated participants from 189 households. There were 12 unduplicated children over the month, with an average of 10 children/night. The Warming Center Program had 13 official nights, serving 148 unique participants, with an average of 33 individuals per night. Friends of 40 Prado Board

# Spotlight - 40 Prado Volunteers

Friends of 40PRADO



Dylan DeFazio (left) and Dylan Lee (right) are Cal Poly students. Despite their busy academic schedules, DeFazio, a Mechanical Engineering major, and Lee, an Econmics major, make time to volunteer at 40 Prado. Both students grew up outside of San Luis Obispo County and have come to love the Central Coast. **They feel that volunteering at the center has given them a chance to be a part of the local community**, and they have found that it has provided an opportunity for them to develop empathy with others. We are fortunate to have such compassionate young men who are willing to serve others. Thanks Dylan and Dylan!

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Lorena and Marina have been Central Coast locals for quite a while. They both have children who graduated from Arroyo Grande High School, and they love giving back to their community. While they are both active with numerous organizations throughout San Luis Obispo County, they share the feeling that **helping to provide people with a hot meal serves such a good purpose and is truly gratifying**. They also enjoy serving because they appreciate the great job The People's Kitchen does organizing the lunch service every day! They are pictured here with Friends of 40 Prado Board Member, Deborah Amorteguy (middle).





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Finally, we'd like to give a BIG shout out to the California Conservation Core Watershed Stewards Program (WSP) and the 28 plus volunteers that came out to the 40 Prado Homeless Services Center to plant California Native, Wetland, and Mediterranean-type drought resistant plants to protect the stormwater runoff systems and beautify the site. City of San Luis Obispo Biologist Freddy Otte stated "This project was planned before Covid hit. It is great to be out here". After the torential rains that have recently pummled the Central Coast, we know that the efforts of these volunteers will make a huge difference!

Three Cheers for Volunteers!



We love to share good news. These two have been at 40 Prado since May and are very thankful to have had support from 40 Prado staff in their transition to housing.



**Thank you so much to People Helping People** for donating the proceeds of the Annual Needs 'N Wishes Holiday Fundraiser to 40 Prado & SLO Noor Foundation!

Friends of 40 Prado is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit corporation, tax ID 77-0540323. We provide support funding for 40 Prado by organizations throughout the county. manages their day-to-day operations. The People's Kitchen coordinates hot lunches served daily at 40 Prado by organizations throughout the county.





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## **Corvair Car Show**

Join us for the best Corvair Car Show on the Central Coast! Show includes raffle prizes & Participant's Choice Awards. Bring dad and the rest of the family out this Father's Day weekend for sun, fun and beautiful cars.

For information or to enter your Corvair in the show, visit www.centralcoastcorsa.org or email mail@centralcoastcorsa.com.

Net proceeds will be donated to Friends of 40 Prado, in memory of Craig Foch.



### June 23-25, 2023

- Friday, June 23 Pasta Dinner and Movie
- Saturday, June 24 Corvair Car Show & Benefit Raffle, Heritage Square Park in the Village of Arroyo Grande (8AM – 3PM)
- Saturday Evening Live Performance at the Melodrama Theater
- Sunday, June 25 Breakfast at a Local Restaurant

## Donations/Volunteer Opportunities

To make donations or to find out more about Friends of 40 Prado, go to **friendsof40prado.org** or follow us on Social Media. To volunteer, please call (805) 544-4355 x121 or email **volunteer@capslo.org**.