

## DONATION LIST

- PET FOOD
- FULL-SIZE SOAP
- SHAMPOO
- CONDITIONER
- DEODORANT
- DISH SOAP
- DIAPERS  
SIZES 5 AND 6
- DEPENDS XL

## DROP-OFF LOCATIONS

Perishable:  
Fishline  
19705 Viking Way  
NW, Poulsbo, WA  
98370  
M, T, Th, F:  
Noon - 3:30 pm  
W: 2:00 pm - 5:30 pm

Non-Perishable:  
Drop-off bins can be  
found at Central  
Market, 1st Security  
Bank, Liberty Bay  
Bank

## SECOND SEASON UPDATES

Second Season remains open and in full operation, while adhering to COVID-19 guidelines. Carole the Cop (right) is on hand to check temperatures and keep everyone safe.

The store is looking for more volunteers to help support its daily operations. If you are interested, please go to [www.fishlinehelps.org/get-involved](http://www.fishlinehelps.org/get-involved).

And because COVID rules keep changing, check our website or follow us on Facebook to see the latest news.



The Second Season Store is open  
Monday, Wednesday  
and Friday  
10:00 am - 5:00 pm  
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Donations for Second  
Season are accepted at  
Fishline on Tuesday and  
Thursday  
10:00 am - 2:00 pm



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# Feeding the furry

## Pets can get food, supplies

Helping families means helping all members of the family, including the four-legged ones.

Thanks to our staff and army of volunteers, Fishline offers food and supplies for dogs and cats (and, sometimes, the occasional hamster or bird).

"We serve roughly around 350 to 400 people a week," says Laura Olson, Fishline's Market Manager. "I would guess about a quarter to half, depending on the day, will get pet food."

In addition to food (both dry and wet) for cats and dogs, Fishline offers wee pads, kitty litter and, of course, treats (who's a good boy?).

One volunteer who has been really helpful is Dan Ball. In addition to spending his own money, Dan drives to the pet stores to pick up the supplies. Because some food can't be sold after an expiration date or maybe a customer returns a nearly full bag after Rosco turned up his nose at the flavor, "I found these stores are happy to see me come and remove their donation," Dan says. Some of the stores that have helped include Petco in Poulsbo and Mud Bay and PetSmart in Silverdale.



## HOW TO HELP



**Give Online**  
[www.fishlinehelps.org/donate](http://www.fishlinehelps.org/donate)



**Get Involved**  
[www.fishlinehelps.org/get-involved](http://www.fishlinehelps.org/get-involved)



**Give by Mail**  
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**Fishline**



Pet food, like this pallet (left) donated by the Poulsbo Knights of Columbus Council 8297, are bagged up into individual portions (above left) and taken home by people like Margaret Folta (above right).

## HOW TO HELP

To learn more about this project, donate food or supplies or help volunteer, contact Lidia, our volunteer coordinator, at [volunteer@fishlinehelps.org](mailto:volunteer@fishlinehelps.org) or 360-208-0102



Volunteer Elly Puckett helps plant peas at the Swank Grow and Share Farm, which is in its fourth year helping Fishline.

# Sharing the love

After a dark winter of COVID claustrophobia and only seeing the world through a Zoom window, it's finally spring. And the good news for Fishline is the Swank Grow and Share Farm is once again planting lots of vegetables and herbs to feed our families.

This is the fourth year Russell and Ardis Swank have made their garden near Silverdale available to Fishline. "Not only do they let us use their land, but they also provide the water and the electricity for the timers," says Leigh Wojcik, the lead volunteer at Swank Grow and Share Farm.

The bounty that comes from the land is impressive. Last year alone, volunteers were able to harvest more than 6,500 pounds of produce. Planning and planting for this year has started. With greenhouse help from Nikki Johanson at Pheasant Fields Farm, across Clear Creek Road from the Swanks, there already are trays of broccoli, cauliflower, spinach, lettuce, cabbage, dill, peppers and cilantro (and she's started tomato and bell peppers in her basement).

As anyone who has tended a garden knows, there's still a lot of work to do. A fence needs to be built to discourage the local rabbits, drip tape and weed block need to be laid, and those veggies have to be transplanted (and there's also the seeding for carrots, beets and radishes).

The Swanks — who celebrated their 60th anniversary this year — aren't the only local growers to help Fishline. Volunteers work with vendors at the Poulsbo Farmers Market to gather donations, which helps reduce food waste and feed our families with fresh, healthy produce.

## HOW TO HELP

To learn more about this project or to help volunteer at the garden, contact Lidia, our volunteer manager, at [volunteer@fishlinehelps.org](mailto:volunteer@fishlinehelps.org) or 360-208-0102

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Chamber Easter Egg Parade**  
April 3, 10:00 am-2:00 pm  
Starts at Poulsbo Village. Come by Fishline for treats for the kids.

**Captain's Coffee Chat**  
April 6, 2:00 pm-3:00 pm  
Meet our executive director and bring your ideas and questions. To register, go to [bit.ly/fishlinechat](http://bit.ly/fishlinechat)

**Fishline Annual Community Meeting**  
April 15, 5:30 pm-6:30 pm  
Zoom meeting to learn what's new at Fishline and meet our executive director and board. To register, go to [bit.ly/fishlinemeet](http://bit.ly/fishlinemeet)

**Volunteer Appreciation**  
April 23, 4:30 pm-6:00 pm  
Great prizes and gifts given out at Fishline to honor our amazing volunteers.



Fishline is proud to be a part of this year's Kitsap Great Give.

Sponsored by the Kitsap Community Foundation, the Great Give is a 24-hour online event designed to benefit more than 300 local nonprofits.

On April 20, go to [kitsapgreatgive.org](http://kitsapgreatgive.org) and click through to find Fishline. The site also will be available for early giving beginning April 1.

The big advantage for you and the nonprofits is your donation will be boosted by bonus funds. And Fishline also can win prizes throughout the day.

## BOARD MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

HEATHER TORRES, BOARD PRESIDENT

Heather Torres has a deep connection with Fishline.

"Oh, Fishline has been in our blood," says the new board president, whose family has long ties to the area. "Years ago, my grandmother worked at Second Season."

The single mom of a 17-year-old, Heather spent some time out east, where one project had her helping develop and build a creative and nurturing children's space within a shelter for families of domestic violence.

With an extensive background in organizational leadership, Heather sees her role as president is growing the programs that Fishline offers.

"I want to get everyone on the same page, moving in the same direction," she says. "Since coming back to the community, using my skills at Fishline seemed like a natural fit."

When away from the board of Fishline and other advisory panels on which she serves, Heather has recently taken up art, using the technique of applying paint to canvas with a palette knife. "I really love artists like Van Gogh," she says.



## CAPTAIN'S LOG

Pussy willows are starting to bloom and the scent of spring is in the air. But for hungry, displaced families, it's still a time of stress and uncertainty. Since the start of the year, we have seen a steady increase in the number of new families requesting food, rent and utilities assistance.

Our community members have continued to care for their neighbors by donating stimulus checks, adding dollars to their grocery bills at Central Market and dropping off food donations to our Food Bank. Not to mention our amazing volunteers who keep us running (even in the snow!).

Our business partners have played a huge role. West Side Pizza has donated more than 900 meals, Hill Moving delivers our Commodities food from Bremerton each week and Olmsted's surprised us one day with two huge bushels of

apples. We are simply grateful to our many generous donors, business partners and kind neighbors!

It pained Fishline to indefinitely postpone the annual auction, our largest fundraising event, due to the pandemic. As a result, we have a large financial deficit to overcome over the remainder of the year.

On April 20, the Kitsap Great Give event will be held online. If you donated at either event last year, we hope you will consider donating what you can to Fishline during this special event.

Wishing you and your family a healthy and happy spring.

Lori Maxim  
Executive Director



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