

In Step

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2020: a year to forget?



360 Degrees of Giving

One of the phrases we like to use when we talk about supporting Samaritan Ministry is “our donors generously give their time, talent and treasure.” That has never been more true than in the last year. Since the pandemic arrived, the needs of our community have been extreme, and so has... [Read more](#)

A Pandemic Year in Review: Silver Linings!

To state the obvious, 2020 has been a challenging and tragic year for many. This is especially true for the many predominantly black and brown participants we serve, who have been disproportionately impacted by the pandemic – not to mention the legacy of systemic racism that came to the front of our collective consciousness through... [Read More](#)



Looking Back on Our 1st Virtual Gala

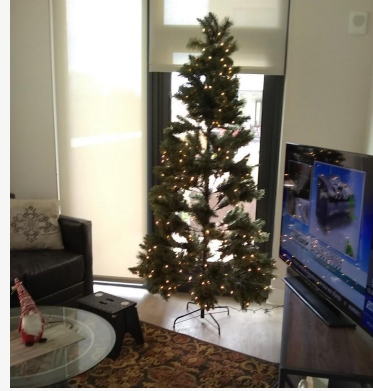
A few weeks ago, we had the experience of producing our first-ever virtual Gala, Together in Spirit, Onward in Action! and it was a great success. As of November 30, the Gala had been viewed over 1,000 times by people from across the U.S. and around the world. When the dust settled, we exceeded our... [Read More](#)

Book Club

The SMGW Book Club is open to Volunteers and Staff following their completion of the Volunteer Orientation component on Racial Justice and Equity. The book club is 18 people strong and growing! It gives members an opportunity to further explore the topic of race relations and how we all fit into the picture. The next book being discussed is “Chocolate City” by Chris Myers Asch because the members collectively decided they wanted to learn more specifically about the history of race relations in our nation’s capital. email Volunteer Manager [Sy Jones](#) for more information.



Thank You Gala Sponsors!



A SW participant received their first Christmas tree ever, thanks to a very kind donation from Tom Bauder!

In-Kind Donations Needed!

[Click here](#) to view our recently updated in-kind wishlist. We are in need of grocery items, toiletries, and more. Items can also be purchased through our [Amazon Wishlist](#).

SAVE THE DATE

Due to the ongoing COVID-19 Pandemic, our *2021 Next Step Breakfast* will be a virtual event. Mark your calendars NOW for Saturday, March 20th at 10:00 a.m. What a great way to start your weekend!

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