

People Spotlight:

“Colleen Graduates!”



Colleen Murray recently graduated from the year-long “Shepherd’s Door” program of Portland Rescue Mission, and Shawn & Marina Mitchell had the pleasure of attending the ceremony. Colleen began interning with the Catalyst staff early this year, and we are very proud of her accomplishment! At Shepherd’s Door, women find healing through addiction recovery, vocational training, spiritual encouragement, and transitional support. Congrats, Colleen!

Board Chair & Volunteer: Isaac Federiuk

Here’s Isaac and his family sporting their “merch” at the Bryant Project in May. Isaac is one of the central leaders of Catalyst, and loves getting his hands dirty. Thanks for all you do, Isaac!



Ministry Updates

WE DID IT !!! 13th Annual “Golf Marathon” raises record \$192k!

Yes, that figure is not a typo! Catalyst’s 13th Annual Golf Marathon Fundraiser was held at Topgolf on May 20th, and 36 participants (golfers and non-golfers alike) raised \$192,069 to serve elderly, disabled, and low income neighbors! We are now able to say YES to the many clients hoping for project work in the next 12-months. Additionally, we are able to hire a much-needed construction assistant to help raise our capacity to do more!



In addition to our amazing participants and event volunteers, BIG THANK YOU’S to the following:

Campaign Director - Kirsten Williams, **Campaign Administrator** - JJ Milmore

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WAY TO GO TEAM, THANKS SO MUCH !!!!

Podcasts



More & more people are listening to & watching podcasts, and we’re jumping-in as well! This screenshot was taken from a recent episode of “Jesus In The Upper Left,” featuring Shawn Mitchell with hosts Gabe Kolstad and Brent Hofen, in their discussion about decentralized expressions of Church. Watch: >> <https://youtu.be/CK35GOfl5Cc>

Also, we are currently developing a brand-new Catalyst podcast to be launched this Fall that will shed light on some of the wonderful stories that are being written through the Catalyst ministry! Longtime volunteer Noah Prins is joining Shawn Mitchell to host the podcast; which will feature clients, partners, volunteers, staff & board members ... all sharing their unique stories of hope and transformation.

Prayer Requests

- **NEW FINANCIAL SUPPORT NEEDED: “CHURCH-SIDE” OF CATALYST** – Our projects are now very well supported through the Golf Marathon fundraiser, grants, and business sponsorships (praise God!), but the “Missionary Support” of Catalyst Network (the “Church Side”) needs some bolstering. Please pray that God will raise-up new supporters. Please email Shawn with any questions about this – shawn@catalystnw.org
- **CONTINUED SAFETY ON PROJECTS** – We are amazed and thankful that we’ve had no serious accidents in all these years of mobilizing volunteers to do construction work. When people ask how, I say “We pray a lot...and we also do everything we possibly can to keep volunteers safe.” Please pray for God’s ongoing protection of our volunteers as they scrape & cut & hammer & shovel on our projects!
- **SHARING EMOTIONAL / SPIRITUAL SUPPORT** – We’re passionate about providing ongoing emotional & spiritual support for the clients, volunteers, and partners we serve. These efforts have ramped-up tremendously with the addition of Marty Brown to our staff. Please pray for Marty, the ministry volunteers he is training, and the local churches we partner with; as we work together to meet needs, share the Gospel, and pray with the people we encounter.
- **MARK YOUR CALENDARS: CATALYST’S “BUILDING HOPE DESSERT” on NOV. 4, 2023** – This annual Saturday night event has become a beloved capstone at the end of each season to celebrate our work in the community. This year’s event will be hosted again at Grace Chapel in Wilsonville. More details soon!

CATALYST NW VISION

We envision a reality where followers of Jesus are valued for their character and generosity toward people in their communities; demonstrating God’s presence in ways that transform neighborhoods, equip ordinary people to become His heroes, and draw new people into His family.