

*You're taking hunger
off the table
this Spring!*



MEET LESLIE, LOVING MOTHER



For the past 24 years, Leslie has found so much joy in raising her son, Anthony, and seeing him become an adult.

She worked full-time as a mom while he was younger, keeping the household running while her husband worked outside the home.

Leslie and her husband made a great parenting team. Tragically, the family lost a beloved member when he passed away four years ago.

Life is different now, Leslie says, but what hasn't changed is her love for Anthony. Her caring, resilient spirit shined through when we spoke to her at a local Mobile Harvest

YOUR GIFTS HELP LESLIE'S FAMILY

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location, where she stopped to pick up healthy food for dinner...

Your support of Food Bank of Northern Nevada means that Leslie can find nutritious ingredients like dairy, bread, and produce, at the local Mobile Harvest.

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it every week.”**

“I try and shop real smart...make do on my savings,” she explains. For Leslie, shopping smart means budgeting well, stretching ingredients to last, and making informed decisions on recipes based on what she picks up at the Mobile Harvest.

“I cook a lot. I love to cook,” Leslie shares.

“When I get produce that I’m not familiar with, I try and get creative.”

When she’s not cooking delicious homemade meals to share with Anthony, Leslie spends her time doing arts and crafts and taking care of her house.

“Keeps me busy,” she says with a smile.

To friends like you, who are a real help to the family while Anthony is getting his feet underneath him, Leslie expresses her gratitude. “I appreciate it...I look forward to it every week.”

Thank you for giving so generously to help ensure that our neighbors like Leslie have the food needed to thrive. You help create a bright future for her, Anthony, and for us all.



The Mobile Harvest helps Leslie “shop smart”



Ashley picks up ingredients for healthy family meals

A FULL TABLE FOR ASHLEY'S FAMILY

Practically overnight, Ashley and her husband went from a family of two to a family of seven when they adopted their children.

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“It was a big shift, obviously,” Ashley says.

Through the foster-to-adopt process, Ashley and her husband have done everything in their power to help the children, who range in age from 9 to 1, adjust to their forever home. There is no shortage of love, patience, or care.

That’s why Ashley comes to her local Food Bank of Northern Nevada partner food pantry – to ensure her children have everything

they need to thrive, including plenty of healthy food.

Ashley says the food she picks up is like puzzle pieces, supplementing her regular grocery budget and filling in any gaps.

Now that the children are settling in and the adoption is final, Ashley is looking forward to starting a new remote job to increase the family’s income.

Because the family is planning for upcoming medical expenses, including heart surgery for their five-year-old, the money you help them save on expensive groceries is critical. “It’s a huge blessing,” Ashley says. “Thank you!”



Janet volunteers to protect nutrition security in Carson Valley

JANET CARES FOR OUR COMMUNITY

One day each week, Janet checks in to her volunteer shift at Carson Valley Community Food Closet. As a warehouse support team member, she dedicates the afternoon to restocking the Food Closet's distribution area, making sure anyone who visits can pick up nutritious food.

"I just wanted to become involved in the community," she says, explaining what inspired her to become a volunteer two years ago. She appreciates having the opportunity to work behind the scenes in local hunger-relief efforts.

The sense of community has been a special part of volunteering too. "I've gotten to know some of the [families who visit]," she shares, adding that the Food Closet has also strengthened her relationship with her neighbors as well.

Janet and her husband are from California, where their daughter is currently attending college. When she's not volunteering, she enjoys hobbies like gardening, reading, and hiking.

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If you're considering donating time yourself, Janet has a word of encouragement for you. "Try it," she says. "There's a lot of different jobs within the Food Closet. So if you don't like one, you can always try another."

Thank you, Janet, for your dedicated service to our community!

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