

Society of St. Vincent de Paul, 420 W. Watkins, Phoenix, AZ 85003

MEDIA ALERT

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“WATER DONATIONS NEEDED AS VALLEY HEATS UP”
*St. Vincent de Paul coordinating efforts to keep homeless hydrated
at the Human Services Campus.*

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News Facts:

- With coordinated efforts, The Society of St. Vincent de Paul, Healthcare for the Homeless, Central Arizona Shelter Services (CASS), the Day Resource Center and the Emergency Low-demand Shelter for Men are working to provide water to homeless individuals at the Human Services Campus 24 hours a day.
- Large donations of personal size water bottles are needed to keep up with the demand.
- Pallets of water can be delivered to The St. Vincent de Paul warehouse at 420 W. Watkins Road. Donations can also be dropped off during the day to the St. Vincent de Paul dining room at 1075 W. Jefferson on the Human Services Campus or, in the evenings, to the Emergency Low-Demand Shelter for Men (the “Overflow” shelter) at 12th Ave. and Madison.
- Last week, more than 200 cases of water -- or 4800 water bottles-- were distributed to the homeless.
- Temperatures are expected to top 110’s this week, making the need for water donations even more urgent.

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is a non-profit organization, dedicated to serving the poor and providing others with the opportunity to serve. Programs include services for the homeless, the incarcerated and their families, medical/dental care for the working poor, five charity dining rooms, thrift stores, a transitional housing shelter and general assistance for individuals in need in central and northern Arizona.

The St. Vincent de Paul charity dining room located on the Human Services campus serves breakfast and lunch daily. During the month of May, that dining room served more than 30,000 meals.

The Human Services Campus was created through a collaborative effort between faith-based, private, nonprofit, governmental and community organizations to address the needs of the homeless population in central Phoenix. Campus partners include Maricopa County, Central Arizona Shelter Services, Society of St. Vincent de Paul; and St. Joseph the Worker. NOVA Safe Haven will join the campus when construction is completed.