

Newsletter

FIRST QUARTER 2026

FIRST QUARTER HIGHLIGHTS 2026

Q1 Building Hope

This first quarter has been full of progress and momentum for The Storehouse.

We began the Request for Proposal (RFP) process for our future building and officially hired an architect, taking an exciting step forward in planning for growth. We were also supported by an Eagle Scout project that helped organize and stack crates, improving our operations.

We spent time connecting with faith-based groups and local nonprofits to build partnerships and strengthen how we serve our community. In addition, we kicked off planning for our annual auction coming up in September.

To top it off, we were honored to receive the Chamber of Commerce Non-Profit Excellence Award: a reflection of our volunteers, partners, and community support.

Together, we're building hope, unity and a brighter future for those we serve.

Q1 BY THE NUMBERS

We logged 4,243 volunteer hours in Quarter 1

2200
COMMUNITY
MEMBER
VISITS

378K+ LBS
OF INCOMING
FOOD
DONATED

136
NEW
FAMILIES
RECEIVED
FOOD

Important Dates

May 2, 2026 Rotary Auction Supporting Backpack Buddies

May 9, 2026 Stamp Out Hunger Post Office Food Drive

June 20, 2026 Mod Pizza Fundraiser

-Use MODGIVES25

September 12, 2026 2nd Annual Auction

HOW YOU CAN HELP?

Donate shelf-stable food items

Donate hygiene items

Make a monthly donation or give whenever you feel led

Thank you for considering giving to your neighbors



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COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT: HEART WORKS SQUAD

We're fortunate to have incredible partners in our community—people who don't just give, but truly show up. Our **HeartWorks Squad** embodies this spirit, and we're proud to highlight two shining members:

The Game Shelf

We are grateful for the support of The Game Shelf. Their partnership through our HeartWorks Squad helps strengthen our mission and expand our impact in the community. By supporting local nonprofits and working together to serve others, they are helping make a real difference for families in our area. We are thankful for their partnership and their heart for community.

Dahlia Nails

We are incredibly thankful for the support of Dahlia Nails. They help bring awareness to The Storehouse and generously support our mission through donations and community partnership. Their willingness to use their business to help others shows a true heart for the community, and we are grateful for their continued support and partnership in serving families in our area.



Are you able to partner with us as a Heart Work Sponsor? Donate now via the QR code info@covingtonstorehouse.org for sponsorship info!



Heart Works Squad



*Love until
they ask why*

A Note from Our Executive Director

Dear Friends of The Storehouse,

As we wrap up the first quarter of the year, I'm reminded how much this community continues to show up with love in action for The Storehouse. Because of you, we are able to keep growing and serving families in meaningful ways.

This quarter brought some big steps forward. We hired RFM Architectural Firm and began the first steps toward our capital campaign and future building. We are excited to see how this growth will allow us to better serve our clients and our community.

Rylan and I also spent the day in Olympia for Hunger Action Day, advocating for food security and sharing the growing needs we are seeing right here at home. As more families are coming through our doors, we know how important it is to keep building support at every level.

Behind the scenes, we've been working on new partnerships, applying for grants with our new grant writer, and continuing to find ways to grow both food and financial support. We would love for you to join us at our Open House on April 11th and see how we make all of this happen in just 1,400 square feet.

We were also incredibly honored to receive the Covington Chamber of Commerce Nonprofit Excellence Award this quarter—something that truly belongs to all of our volunteers, donors, and community partners who make this work possible every day.

At The Storehouse, we believe in love in action. As we move forward this year, we invite you to get involved however you can—volunteer, donate, attend an event, host a food drive, or simply share our story. Every act matters, and every person makes a difference.

Thank you for being part of this community and for helping us put love into action every day

With gratitude and hope,
Stephanie Lawson
Executive Director, The Storehouse