A LETTER FROM OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Dear Friend,

We find ourselves in a time where many cities and communities are awaiting the ruling on the Grant's Pass v. Johnson US Supreme Court case. The case questions the legal ability of cities to enforce laws like camping bans when shelters are full and whether such enforcement is cruel and unusual punishment under the eighth amendment.

The real implications of such a case are equally gruesome and hopeful for our guests. No matter which way the court rules, at Loaves & Fishes we remain steadfast in serving and building relationships with our guests, day in and day out.

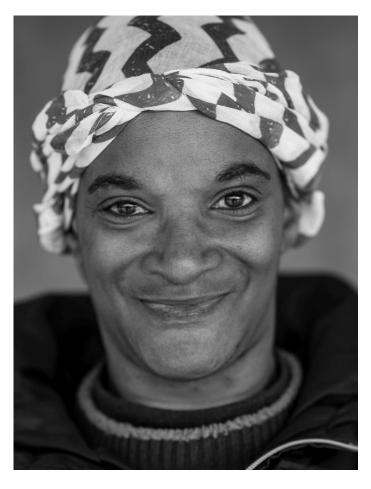
One of our new street monitors, Cody, came to my office on his break. As he took off his sunglasses and sat down, I noticed the tears streaming down his face. He said he was talking to a female guest outside the dining room. Soon it was time for her to go eat and she began to walk away.

After taking a few steps she turned around and looked him right in the eye. He said he felt as though she was seeing into his soul. "I will pray for you with every bite I take. Thank you for listening to me." Cody paused as his emotions ran over him and then said, "I didn't do anything to deserve her prayers."

Your support allows space for this intentional community of giving and receiving to exist. Without you, these soulful moments would not surface. Thank you!

The gratitude from our guests is both humbling and inspiring as we witness them summon unfathomable amounts of strength just to get through the uncertainty of each day. We know that they will continue doing this no matter what case the Supreme Court is hearing.

Please donate today to support our campus where we are blessed to receive our guests and also to be received by them one day at a time.



At Loaves & Fishes, we honor the fact that as human beings, we belong to each other and as such, we must care for each other deeply.

Will you give today and join our community of belonging?

With love and gratitude,

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Angela Hassell
Executive Director

P.S. - Your donation provides a space where people surviving without housing are seen as the fully capable people that they are. Please give today!