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## **Jethro Tull Gives \$50,000 to NCH**

NCH is enormously grateful to Ian Anderson, Martin Barre, Andrew Giddings and Doane Perry of Jethro Tull for their contribution of some \$50,000 in proceeds from their Aqualung Live album.

The album, recorded in 2004 at XM Satellite's studio, features updated versions of classics like "Aqualung" and "Locomotive Breath". NCH is just one of several organizations to have benefited from the band's generosity.

In addition, Jethro Tull invited NCH staff to attend their Bethesda, MD concert on December 3, providing a great opportunity to distribute information on homelessness to a wide audience.

## **NCH Welcomes New Interns and Staff Member**

NCH is pleased to welcome two new interns, as well as a new addition to our staff.

Teana White hails from New York, NY, and is currently a sophomore at Amherst College in Massachusetts. Teana was attracted to NCH's emphasis on pairing practical relief with long-term policy change to address the problem of homelessness. She hopes to learn more about the methods of homeless relief and about advocacy organizations more generally.

Tyrone White currently resides in Alexandria, VA, and attends James Madison University in Harrisonburg, VA. Having previously had much experience in direct service, Tyrone was also interested in NCH due to our attention to policy solutions. He is looking forward to aiding NCH in advocating for the rights of people experiencing homelessness.

Homeless Challenge Project Director Sarah Rosa spent most of her life in Urbana-Champaign, IL before relocating to Washington, DC. After herself experiencing homelessness, Sarah served first as an AmeriCorps volunteer for Comprehensive Homeless Awareness Response Team (CHART) in Champaign County, IL, then as a volunteer lobbyist for the Illinois Housing Justice and Action Coalition.

"We are all someone's child or mother or father, brother or sister," Sarah says. "We all have a right, a right, to safe housing, food, clothing, education, and medical care. We all have a right to be treated with dignity and respect, care and kindness. Being a part of ...bethesdahosting.com/.../397\_2008..."

NCH will only provide me with a broader base to do that.”

## **Ex-Offenders, Supporters to Hold Second Chance Day on the Hill**

Over 1,000 ex-offenders and criminal justice reform advocates will convene in the Minnesota Capitol Rotunda for the Second Chance Day on the Hill, aiming to raise awareness of the barriers to employment, housing, and others means of social reintegration created by a criminal record.

Currently, one in 16 Minnesotans has been convicted of a crime. They are potentially subject to almost 200 sanctions over and above punishments for their conviction.

For more information on the Second Chance Day on the Hill, visit <http://www.employexoffenders.com/secondchance.html>.

## **NCH Thanks Holiday Appeal Contributors**

NCH would like to thank all those who gave in response to our Holiday Gift Appeal:

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## Upcoming Faces of Homelessness Speaking Engagements

January 19th Pilgrimage (Chestertown Presbyterian Church) at 2201 P Street, NW Church of the Pilgrims

January 20th PANIM Institute for Jewish Leadership and Values at the Washington Marriott Hotel at 1221 22nd Street, NW

January 25th Religious Action Center at Marriott Crystal Gateway Hotel in Crystal City, VA

January 29th Brentsville District High School in Nokesville, VA Jan 16th Gann Academy-Waltham, MA

February 2nd Pilgrimage with Westminster Presbyterian Church of Greensboro, NC

February 8th Religious Action Center

February 9th Journey to Justice with Archdiocese of DC

February 9th Pilgrimage with Christ Church of Raleigh, NC

February 9th Pilgrimage with First Presbyterian Church of Richmond, VA

February 11th Pilgrimage with Field School of DC

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