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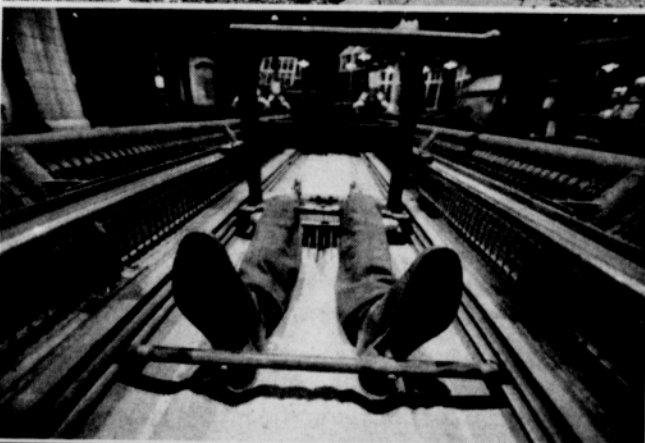
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LOCAL NEWS



Kevin Rickett, special agent in charge of the FBI in Oregon, presents a leadership award to Chabre Vickers and Tami Wallis of Big Brothers, Big Sisters on behalf of the non-profit group's mentoring program for children.

Breaking Bad Cycles

FBI honors 'second chance' program

The FBI Portland Division has presented Big Brothers, Big Sisters with its annual Community Leadership Award for a second chance program that pairs adult mentors with youth, ages 12 to 17, currently involved in the juvenile justice system.

"Second Chance gives kids the opportunity to break the cycle of bad choices that have put them into the justice system," said Kevin

Rickett, acting special agent in charge of the FBI in Oregon. "These mentors truly care about encouraging and supporting these youth as they work to get an education, gain life skills and find the path to a successful and productive life as a member of our shared community."

Every year, each of the FBI's 56 field divisions chooses one person or organization to receive the Director's Community Leadership

Award. Each recipient must have shown a commitment to crime prevention or community service.

Volunteers who work with Second Chance at Big Brothers, Big Sisters commit to meeting with their matched youth at least three to four times a month over at least an 18-month time period. Each volunteer must pass a background check and participate in training specifically designed to help them deal with the

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Warm Clothing Donations Needed

Multnomah County Commissioner Liesl Wendt and Portland City Commissioner Dan Saltzman have asked the community for donations of winter gear and volunteer time after a recent cold snap depleted supplies, primarily blankets, at several non-profit agencies.

Community partners who already perform extraordinary work with limited resources have stretched those resources even further during the severe weather to open emergency shelters and to distribute blankets and winter gear.

Here's what people experiencing homelessness need: Adult socks, adult men's

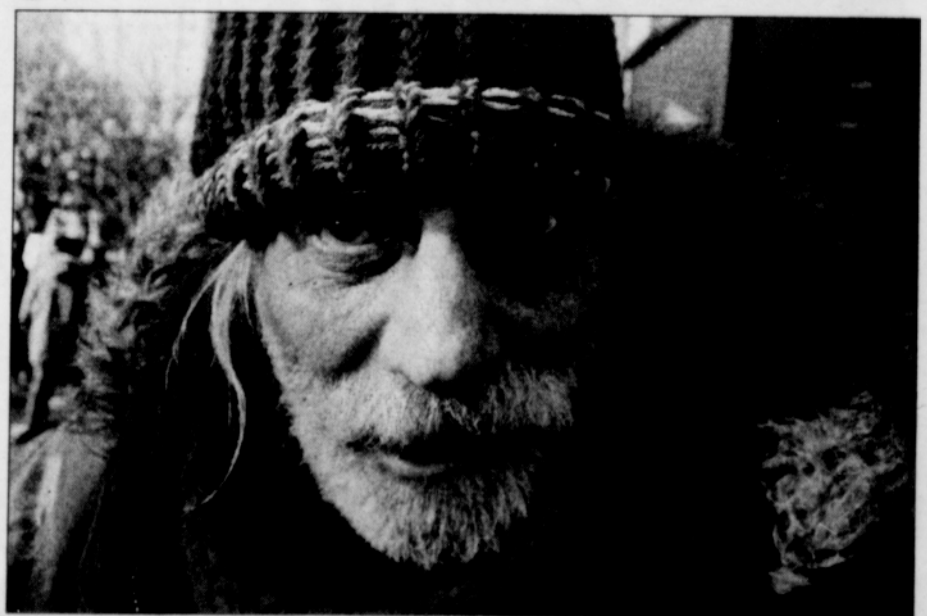


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A warm clothing drive for the homeless is underway.

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