

HEART OF THE VALLEY THRESHOLD SINGERS

Beginnings

Heart of the Valley Threshold Singers in Corvallis, Oregon, had its first rehearsal on October 1, 2017. The founder, Susan Breckenridge, heard about the International Threshold Choir from a friend who played harp for hospice patients.

Membership

Susan Breckenridge is currently the director of the choir of 19 members; 11 of whom are currently singing at bedsides. She recruited singers from the community and church choirs.

The chapter opens up to new members twice a year, and compiles a short wait list in between. The chapter rehearses twice a month, and gets together for socials periodically.

The Heart of the Valley Singers chapter has been a coed choir from the beginning. Its members include one married couple. Seven of our original members are still active. One member passed away two years ago; singing for her and her family was a profound experience.

Leadership

Besides our founder, Susan, who is also our director and administrator, the chapter has a leadership team and a song leader team.

Community Service

Each month, the chapter provides 3-4 bedside sings, and offers at least one song bath. Two of our monthly sings are at the local hospice house. The chapter gets referrals from the local non-profit hospice providers, the hospice house, the Threshold Choir website, friends and acquaintances, and word of mouth.

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