



**MISSION:** is Core Members to be active in the community, Most notably the world of work and allies will lift each other up in mutual support.

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This month, we would like to introduce you to John Morse, who is a Core Member of the SODA Board, and functions as our Creative Consultant. He recently has been helping with our website and assisted in producing our new brochure.

John was born on May 16, 1969 in Tacoma, Washington. While his father was stationed at Fort Lewis. He has one older and one younger sister. John has lived in the Seattle area his whole life. He attended View ridge Elementary, Nathan Eckstein Middle School, and University Prep Academy. He spent 1 ½ years at Earlhem College in Richmond, Indiana (studying Eastern religions and Geology), and later took classes at North Seattle College, and Shoreline Community College in computer coding, graphics, and music production. For his work life, John worked at several restaurants, and then was a part-time custodian at University Christian Church for over twenty years. He is now a custodian at the Vine yard Church in the University District in Seattle



JOHN MORSE

**ALERT NOTICE: WE DECIDED AGAIN TO POSTPONE OUR FUNDRAISING EVENT TO A DATE TO BE DETERMINED, DEPENDING ON THE COVID-19 TRANSMISSION RATES. STAY TUNED!!**

John was involved for many years with a non profit called Circle of Friends for Mental Health. He was on their Board, helped with their website and led some photography classes for them. John has because experience mental illness in his own life, he is an advocate for those with disabilities, especially focused on reducing the stigma of mental illness. John enjoys music and has played the guitar and written music since high school. He also played the French horn and piano when he was younger. He has played with orchestras and bands and currently plays with the "Victory" music group with open mike performances. John met Monica and later Steve Bundy, at University Christian Church, where his parents and grandparents attended. He enjoys being a part of SODA. We are glad he is with us!