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## Mission Statement

**The purpose of Hope House Rescue Mission is to serve those less fortunate who come to us for help with compassion and love. We, at the mission, help provide for their needs; whether physical, emotional, mental or spiritual, regardless of their race, color, creed or social status.**

Defend the poor and fatherless: do justice to the afflicted and needy.

Psalm 82:3

## God's Provision for Hope House Rescue Mission

A resident at Hope House is getting ready to deliver twins. When a friend of Hope House found out about the upcoming birth, she supplied many baby gifts and gave a generous gift card to the new mother-to-be.

A young pre-teen scored high on a school entrance exam, qualifying her to take advanced placement classes. Someone gave her a violin, and the director of the Middletown Youth Symphonic Orchestra is trying to find a volunteer music instructor to give her lessons.

A long-time board member helped to write a grant to the Middletown Community Foundation for new bunk beds and mattresses, and that group responded with a very generous \$15,000 donation.

A caring pastor's wife who weekly mentors women and shares devotions called to check on a past resident because she was concerned for her welfare.

A donor sent two large crates of green beans and cucumbers that were used in a ham, bean and potato meal that night.

The women on the 12-Step Transformation Program were preparing a taco lunch. They only had corn tortilla shells to serve, but right before lunch began, a donor dropped by Hope House with some soft wheat taco shells, making the meal complete.

Philippians 4:19 states "But my God shall supply all your need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus." Thank you, donors, for responding to God and being His supply for the needs at Hope House Rescue Mission.

God bless,  
Kathy Baysore, Family Center Director

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Visit Our Web Site At:  
[www.hopehouserescuemission.com](http://www.hopehouserescuemission.com)

## Thank You Donors & Volunteers . . .

Thank you to all the donors who responded to the survey in last month's newsletter. I'd like to share some of the responses that you sent in as to why people contribute to Hope House Rescue Mission.

Many people donate because Hope House provides a Christian ministry, supplying not only for peoples' physical needs, but their spiritual needs as well. Many of these individuals give because they believe that it is a basic Christian obligation, a chance for a hurting world to see the love of God for them, not only in word, but in action. Several individuals donate because Hope House cares for women and children, and they have a heart for those families.

One person saw the need 10 to 15 years ago when she volunteered with her church to serve meals. Her conclusion was that there are times in life when people genuinely need help.

Most people give out of gratitude, some because Hope House supported and helped them when they needed it. Others contribute because they have been blessed and want to share those blessings with others experiencing tough times. Several individuals felt very fortunate that their lives turned out the way they did, or they themselves could have been individuals needing Hope House's services. Additionally, people give because they would like the help to be available to them if they were experiencing the same kind of circumstances.

Donors, I pray that you know how important each provision is that you make to Hope House Rescue Mission. The staff rejoices over the small gifts as well as the abundant ones. You may have seen that this is true if you were one of the donors who brought in a donation of fresh fruit or fresh vegetables, meat, toilet paper or paper towels recently. Every once in awhile, you may get to witness a staff member doing a happy dance. Please know that we depend on God's provision through YOU, and we give thanks for each and every one of you on a daily basis.

Thank you for your continued faithfulness to support Hope House Rescue Mission.

God bless,  
Donna Nunke, Administrative Assistant



**A special thank-you to  
Middletown Community Foundation  
for their generous donation to purchase new  
mattresses and bunk beds for the shelter!**

## A Note from Outreach Services . . .

Summer is a time for relaxation and fun. Kids are off school and family vacations fill the time before a new academic year begins.

While life takes a pleasant turn for many as the heat rises, the needs at Hope House Rescue Mission continue on a daily basis. As a mission, we are blessed by our donors and volunteers who continue to support us throughout the summer season. Whether it is cleaning, preparing or serving meals or delivering packages of toilet paper, our doors remain open 24/7 because of your generosity.

However, as summer draws to a close, the colder months are right around the corner and the need for Hope House services begin to increase. As a result, the need for volunteers also rises.

That's where you come in. Hope House has volunteer opportunities available for preparing or serving meals and teaching classes to residents in areas of budgeting, parenting and more. Volunteers can also be used to help clean, sort and organize donations and plan fun activities for residents and children living at Hope House.

Hope House also provides tours of the facility and speakers for your organization to share more about the work God is doing through the mission.

If you would like more information on Hope House and the services we provide to those in need or would like to learn more about how to volunteer, tours or presentation speakers, please contact Tanya Wells, Outreach Services Coordinator, at 513-424-4673 or via e-mail at [OutreachServices@fuse.net](mailto:OutreachServices@fuse.net).

By Tanya L. Wells, Outreach Services Coordinator



**Area Teens Clean the Hope House Playroom**

## Together We Can

### Frederick Douglass Park Back to School Celebration

Sponsored by the City of Middletown Community Center,  
Middletown City Schools & Other Area Organizations

Sunday, August 17<sup>th</sup> from 3:00 – 7:00

At Frederick Douglass Park Located at 800 Lafayette  
Free Food & Fun



**School Supplies Given at the Top of the Hour**



Contact Marie Edwards at 425-7848 for information regarding donating items for this event

Primarily for Amanda & Rosa Parks Elementary School Children

**Please Help With Our Needs As You Are Able**

**Non-Perishable  
Food Items Needed**

- Canned Fruit**
- Canned Vegetables**
- Canned Meat**
- Canned Soup**
- Beef Gravy**
- Spaghetti Sauce**
- Egg Noodles**
- Coffee**
- Sugar**
- Creamer**
- Hot Sauce**
- Mayonnaise**

**Perishable Food Items Needed**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Milk</b>   | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Chicken</b> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Cheese</b> | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Pork</b>    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Butter</b> | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Beef</b>    |

**Volunteers Needed**

- Computer Tech**
- Receptionists**
- Office Workers**

**Toilet Paper &  
Other Paper Products**

**Fresh  
Fruit &  
Vegetables**

**From Your  
Garden  
Would Be  
Great!**

**Churches, businesses or groups, please  
consider sponsoring a non-perishable food  
drive from August through Labor Day.  
Hope House will supply the barrels for you.**

**Contact Kathy Baysore at  
513-424-4673 for more information.**

**Thanks Again Donors & Volunteers. We Appreciate All of You!**