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HANNAH'S HOUSE SUMMER 2013

A CHRIST-CENTERED TRANSITIONAL SHELTER FOR HOMELESS EXPECTANT WOMEN

"My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you." (John 15:12)

I can feel God's presence every day at Hannah's House, and as I continue on my journey with this ministry, I am learning and growing as a person and in my faith. There is not a day that goes by that I do not thank our Heavenly Father for all of His many blessings and all that He provides this ministry. We have been overwhelmed with the amount of support, both in-kind and monetary over the years. As we continue to serve women and their babies, our needs continue to be met in one way or another. With any ministry there comes struggles and great times of need, but I have seen firsthand how God opens doors and leads the way for new life and new beginnings. This summer has been an amazing example of how we have been called to serve one another. In the Gospel of John, Jesus commands us to "Love each other as I have loved you." As Christians, we are called by these words of Christ to love and care for one another. Please keep Hannah's House, it's residents, staff, volunteers, and board members in your prayers. I would also ask that you prayerfully consider where you might be able to fill a need. Our current needs are listed inside. I would be happy to meet with groups or individuals interested in learning more about Hannah's House and how you might get involved. Thank you to all who have and continue to support this ministry, and thank you to everyone who will support this ministry in the future. Without the love and support of people like you, we could not serve the many women and babies that come through this home. Thank you for showing the love of Christ through your times, talents, and donations. Each act of service is greatly appreciated.

God Bless,

Jessica Leese
Executive Director



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Sophia joined the Hannah's House family on April 20th and is currently 39 weeks pregnant with a baby boy. She just started back at LCC for the Fall semester and is officially on maternity leave from her job for the next few months. She has been busy getting everything in order as she anxiously awaits the coming of her son, Astor. Please keep Sophia and her unborn son in your prayers! Prayers for a safe delivery for mom and baby are greatly appreciated!

Rachel* made Hannah's House her home on May 24th and is due with a baby boy on January 1st! She is currently seeking employment and working on obtaining her GED. She has been struggling with some health issues, so we ask you keep her in your prayers as she works with her doctors to find a cause and solution to the problems. Please also keep her and her unborn child in your prayers as she continues to adjust to living at Hannah's House and continues on this journey!



Kelly* came to us on May 13th and is currently 35 weeks pregnant with twin boys! She is due the end of September and while she does hold a job, she is currently on bed rest per request of her doctor. She is on a waiting list to obtain her GED, but for now, she is awaiting the arrival her precious gifts from God! Please keep Kelly and her unborn baby boys in your prayers!



*Names have been changed to protect the confidentiality of our residents.

Calling All Mentors!

Are you a strong, Christian woman who would be interested in mentoring one of our residents? If so, give us a call! We will be holding a training in October (dates to be determined) for those interested in mentoring one of our current residents or a resident in the future! Call 517-482-5856 or email hannahshouselansing@gmail.com with your interest, with questions, or for more information!



Volunteer Groups!



Riverview Church



AmeriCorps- Alternative Break



MSU Global Service Day



Pilgrim Rest Baptist Church



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Impact of Lansing
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Volunteer Groups Continued...!

Pottersville High School JAG



Pottersville High School's JAG program organized a competitive fundraiser for Hannah's House! The class pictured raised just over \$130! The total amount raised through the fundraiser was over \$200! Thank you Pottersville High School students! A huge thank you to Cassandra Taylor who led the entire service event!

Jobs for America's Graduates (JAG) is a state-based national non-profit organization dedicated to preventing dropouts among young people who are most at-risk. In more than three decades of operation, JAG has delivered consistent, compelling results- helping nearly three-quarters of a million young people stay in school through graduation, pursue post-secondary education and secure quality entry-level jobs leading to career advancement opportunities.

Want to volunteer? Check out page 6 for current opportunities!



Farewell!

July 31st was officially the last day at Hannah's House for one of our House Managers, Lorraine Fata, who recently moved to Florida. Lorraine has been an absolute blessing to this ministry, and we are all so grateful for all she has done. We thank her for her dedication and willingness to serve and wish her the best of luck! She will be missed!

(Top, Left to Right) Saturn Lewis-House Manager, Raynika Battle-Board Member, Terri Bailey-Volunteer, Jessica Leese-Executive Director, Carol VanRandwyk-Board Member, Tom Fraizer-Board Member; (Bottom, Left to Right) Rena Bailey-House Manager, Sophia-Resident, Lorraine Fata-Former House Manager

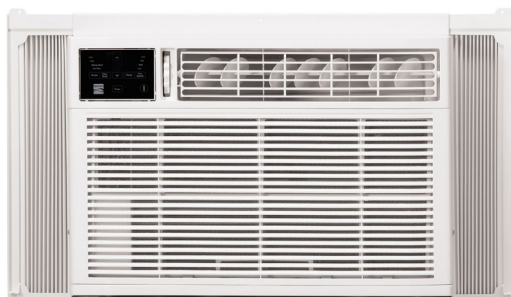
Hannah's House Needs!

We are blessed every day with support from people like you! Thank you to the groups and individuals alike who help us keep this ministry going! If you are interested in donating specific items to Hannah's House, here are some suggested current needs:

THANK YOU!



Diapers (size 3-5), Wipes, Unscented Laundry Detergent, Dryer Sheets, Toilet Paper, Kleenex, Dawn Dish Soap, Large Cutting Board, HP Ink (951/951 XL, Magenta/Cyan/Yellow), HP Ink (950/950 XL, Black), HP Ink (23-color), HP Ink (45-black), White Copy Paper (8.5 X 11), No. 10 White Envelopes (4 1/8 in X 9 1/2 in), Scrubby Sponges, House Cleaning Supplies, Plastic Storage Containers



Hannah's House Service Opportunities

Daytime Housemanager Respite

Responsibilities: Be a presence in the home for a set number of hours each week, answering phones, taking messages, and helping manage other needs of the women. Food is provided while on shift.

Requirements: Application, two personal-references, interview, on-the-job training, and working pre-arranged shift (can be once a week or more, 6 month minimum commitment). Must be pro-life, Christian.

Overnight Housemanager Respite

Responsibilities: Be a presence in the home after church (approximately 6 pm) on Sunday until work, or other commitments, Monday morning. Food is provided while on shift.

Requirements: Application, two personal-references, interview, on-the-job training, and working pre-arranged shift (seeking at least 6-month commitment). Must be pro-life, Christian.

Friend/Mentor

Responsibilities: Develop a friendship with residents. Plan outings and fun activities. Provide a support system for residents during their stay and beyond.

Requirements: Application, two personal-references, interview, on-the-job training, working one 2-hour shift weekly with a one-year commitment. Must be pro-life, Christian.

Craft Teacher

Responsibilities: Teach or lead a craft, hobby, or art based workshop, class, etc.

Requirements: Application, two personal references, interview, workshop proposal (if applicable).

Life-Skills Instruction

Responsibilities: Provide instruction on positive life-skills using pre-determined curriculum, or pre-arranged special topics (i.e. cooking, canning, gardening, etc).

Requirements: Application, two personal references, interview, on-the-job training, working at least one 2-hour shift monthly with a one year commitment. Interested in sharing your experience, expertise, and/or guidance with new mothers.

Group Projects

Occasionally we need groups of 8-10 people for major projects. These jobs may be scheduled ahead of time with the director.

Groups can also help by doing projects on their own.



Baby Bottle Fundraiser

Help support Hannah's House by hosting a baby bottle fundraiser! A Hannah's House staff member will drop off the empty bottles for you to use prior to your fundraiser. Fill the bottles with loose change, and a staff member will arrange to pick up the bottles at the conclusion of your event. Want more information? Contact us! We would love to talk to you about details!



Tickets are \$12 per person or \$80 for a table of 8! Call us today to get your tickets!

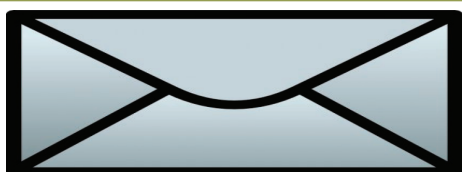
SAVE THE DATE!

International Dessert Night and Silent Auction

October 26th, 2013
St. Stephen
Lutheran Church
2900 N. Waverly Road
(Located on the northeast
corner of Waverly Road
and Delta River Drive)
Lansing, MI 48906
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Do you know of a person or business that would be interested in donating to our silent auction? Perhaps you would be interested in hosting a dessert table? There are many opportunities to volunteer and get involved! Let us know how you would like to serve today!

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