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Some 2023 Highlights

We had an amazing year at YouthHope. Here are just a few highlights of some of the successes that we saw at our Drop-In Center.

- Averaged 9 Youth got into housing a month and got off the street
- 640 Boxes of groceries were given to youth an families in the community
 - 2,687 Hot meals were served at YouthHope
 - -2,376 Meals were served on the streets
 - 32 Youth earned their Food Handlers License

Meet our Supporters

We want to take the next few months to highlight some of our supporters at YouthHope. This month we had the pleasure of talking to Jim Malachowski.

Jim heard about YouthHope through his friend Tom Kaney. YouthHope got his attention because it was a local organization and he wanted to support an organization in his community.

He came to YouthHope's Drop-In Center to learn more about our program. One thing that drew him to YouthHope was that we teach our youth how to be successful. We give them a hand up, not a hand out.

YouthHope also stood out to Jim because he was an at-risk youth and he says that he could of used an organization like YouthHope when he was younger to help him through tough times.

When Jim learned of our girls house and the renovations needed, he knew that this was an area that he could make an impact. He owns a construction company and was able to use his skills to completely renovate our YouthHope Girls House. We are still speechless at the beautiful work him and his team did to transform the girls house into a beautiful home.

Jim's encouragement to our youth is that if you are willing to work and work hard, you can achieve anything.

Thank you Jim and Becky for all of your support! We are so thankful for you. Thank you for believing in YouthHope and our mission.

Attitudes That Attract Success by Wayne Cordero

Thomas Edison invented so many things in his latter years. He worked in a small barn with his son, trying to perfect his latest invention. Working as usual late, an unfortunate combination of chemicals caused his latest experiment to burst into flames. The fire spread quickly through the old wooden structure, becoming a towering inferno. Edison's son ran around the flaming structure looking for his father, fearing that he may stillbe in the barn trying to save his precious life's work. He soon found his father covered in ash and without taking his eyes off the flames, Edison said, "Son, go get your mother!" "Why dad?" His son replied. With a twinkle in his eyes his father replied, "Because your mother comes from a small town and she's

never seen a fire like his before!" After the flames had died down, and all that was left was a pile of ash, Edison asked his son if he knew anyone with a tractor. Again his son asked why, and Edison replied, "Because it's time to rebuild son, it's time to rebuild!" Your attitude is more important than you realize! It's the most important thing about you- more important than your education, your past, your looks, or your money. Your attitude will help you make friends or

cause you to make enemies, it will attract people to you, or repel them. I am absolutely convinced of the truth behind the maxim "10 Percent of your life is what happens to you, the other 90 percent is how you respond to what happens to you!" That's where character is built. That's where personality is formed. That's where your attitude is expressed. Make yours a great attitude!

Did You Know?

80% of our youth's parents have a job and are actively working.

A Note From the Founder



Happy New Year! I hope you all had a great holiday season.

We had an amazing Christmas Party at YouthHope. We had over 100 youth show up to celebrate. Our youth were able to get their wrapped shoes, get brand new clothes, beautiful blankets, that were handmade for them, handmade scarfs, beanies, and mittens, eat a delicious meal, and hang out with their

friends.

Thank you to everyone who bought shoes, made food, made blankets and scarfs. Our youth felt so much love and left YouthHope that night knowing their community cares for them and are rooting for them. Thank you so much!

We are excited for this new year. We have big plans and are so hopeful for the impact that we can make in our community.

If you are looking for a place to volunteer this new year, please email info@youthhope.org. We are looking for people who can volunteer and help our youth become self-sufficient.

We couldn't do this work without you. Thank you so much.

I wish you a Healthy and Happy New Year!

Happy 2024!