

# Quarterly News

March 2025

## Spring into 2025!

The birds have returned and are chirping, the sun is shining brightly and there is an increase in activity all around us. The season of Spring brings with it the idea of new life and so many incredible possibilities!

In January, we held a planning meeting to assess our accomplishments compared to the organization's Strategic Plan. We created a vision board to drive our efforts this year and planned the 2025 calendar year. We are on track and excited about what this new year will bring.

At our annual **Christmas Angel Gala** in December, we celebrated all the work accomplished last year. The theme was JOY and attendees participated in a live auction and an exciting snowball race. The competition was fierce, but the venue was filled with smiles and lots of laughter. This annual event raises funds that support the work of **Hope Restored.** This year, our gala will take place on Saturday instead of Friday and we will be at a new, bigger venue. Stay tuned for details.

Illness hit our small but mighty organization, so we needed to make some adjustments. The **5 Love Language** class will be scheduled for some time in the near future. Our Anniversary celebration has been re-scheduled to the first Saturday in April.

The launch of our men's mentoring program, **Without Thorns** was a success. Attendees enjoyed the content and comradery and expressed a desire to continue meeting. Another group will start the beginning of April.

We continue to partner with community organizations and offer programs & services to those in need within our community. Most of these are offered at little to no cost to those we serve.

You can support our efforts by attending a fundraising event or donating your time and/or resources. As a 501 (c) 3 organization, your financial donations are tax deductible.

We are extremely thankful for all the encouragement and prayers we receive on a regular basis from all of our supporters. Sometimes the work is hard, but the reward is incredible!

Lives are being changed.

In this newsletter you can expect:

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- Blessing to you from Hope Restored

# Spotlight News

#### ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Life happens at warp speed. Days and years pass with the blink of an eye. It is hard to believe that we will be celebrating our 3rd anniversary at The Hope Center. Having a space to help those in need was only a dream a few short years ago.

So many people have come across the threshold of our doors in the last three years. Some came to learn, others could only cry. We have had reluctant participants while others embraced the opportunity to receive healing. Each person was received with love, respect and dignity, regardless of how they showed up.

Sometimes, we see people at their lowest, at a time of crisis in their life. They are often without HOPE. That's the one common thing we aspire to offer. HOPE.

Hope - that things will get better.

Hope - that most circumstances are temporary.

Hope - that healing is possible.

In April, we are going to take the time to celebrate the 3rd Anniversary of The Hope Center.

- Date: RESCHEDULED FOR APRIL 5, 2025
- Time: ıuam-ıvoon [open nouse]
- Location: The Hope Center,
  269 W Main Street, Norwalk, OH

Please join us as we celebrate 3 years. Everyone is welcome!

### Program Updates

MEN'S PROGRAM

STARTING 07 April 2025

Without Thorns is our men's mentoring program. The first 6-week group was so successful that a second group with new curriculum was added. This group offers practical tools to challenge men to live out their faith in every area of their life.

#### Once a week - for 6 weeks

This 6-week session will use **Wild at Heart** curriculum authored by John Eldridge.

Day: MondaysTime: 6:00-7:30pm

Location: The Hope Center,
 269 W. Main Street, Norwalk, OH

Interested? Reach out through the website today! SAVETHEDATE

4/05/25 - The Hope Center 3rd Anniversary Celebration

4/07/25 - Wild at Heart group starts

5/24/25 - Miller's Ribfest Fundraiser

8/09/25 - Love Norwalk

9/12 & 9/13/25 - Roll It Forward Fundraiser

10/4/25 - The Hope Gathering

12/13/25 - Christmas Angel Gala Fundraiser

Thank you for reading!

