

## 55TH ANNIVERSARY CIRCLE

Help us reach our goal of 55 MEMBERS!

Your tax-deductible contribution will enhance the quality of life for our residents and ensure the continued comfort and safety of our 16 homes and Hope Center day program facilities.

It's easy to donate with our PayPal link at:

[www.hopehomes.org/give-hope-today](http://www.hopehomes.org/give-hope-today)

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*Celebrating 55 years as a housing ministry for people with disabilities and other special needs*



2300 Call Road  
Stow, OH 44224-1502

Hope Homes Foundation

# Rays of Hope

*Celebrating 56 Years as a Housing Ministry for People with*

Summer 2019

### Message from the CEO

#### Road to Recovery...Two year Anniversary of the New Hope Homes 2017 - 2019

From a Dream, A Prayer and a \$5.00 bill to Recovery.... Hope Homes has travelled 56 years of providing housing to individuals with DD and Special Needs. For 40 + years Hope Homes was recognized for its outstanding service to the community. Hope Homes provided direct care and housing to individuals. However, during a 10 year stretch of time from 2007 to mid 2017, poor business decisions and questionable leadership resulted in cooperate and financial concerns. Hope Homes suffered a major setback and was on the verge of closing its doors.

However, in mid-2017 Hope Homes began the "Road to Recovery" and with every setback a degree of light and wisdom arose. New leadership was put into place, as well as a strategic plan to limit its mission to housing and property maintenance only. Today we own 17 properties and lease them to 59 individuals and two Day Service Programs (50 participants). We initiated an "Aging in Place" service through Minor Home Repair and Modification program, as an approved Medicaid provider.

I have also learned that Hope Homes cannot do it alone, we need support, collaboration and the community to make the recovery complete. Please, join us with your ideas, donations and assistance on our Road to Recovery.

You can **Call** me anytime with your suggestions, **Attend** our Food Truck Round Up or **Donate** no matter how small your offering is.

Thank you,

*Paul Herrera*



### Hope Homes Presents at UCC Annual Conference

On April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2019, Paul Herrera, CEO of Hope Homes presented to the Northwest Ohio Association's Annual Meeting for the United Church of Christ. The conference was attended by over 300 participants of UCC members in the region. Herrera reported on the Hope Homes' story and its "Road to Recovery" through difficult times.

Rev. Daniel L. Busch, Association Minister stated "your report to those who gathered was important to continue NWOA's relationship with Hope Homes. The ministry that is done at Hope Homes is important and will be supported by NWOA".

Hope Homes is grateful for the significant contribution received from NWOA made to us because of the presentation and its mission.

Note: Paul is available for speaking engagements to organizations, churches and family associations. He can be contacted at 330-686-5342 or 330-244-6327.



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## 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Food Truck Round – Up to be held August 9, 2019

The Hope Center located at 2300 Call Rd, in Stow Ohio will once again host the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Food Truck Round Up on August 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019 from 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM. This year promises to be even bigger and better with increased number of food trucks, craft beers, wine vendors and children activities. Last year's event under cloudy and rainy skies had a turnout of over 200 participants. See below for more information.

As always, Sponsor opportunities are available. Please, contact us for more information at 330-686-5342 or 330-244-6327.

## Food Truck Round-Up



Hope Homes Foundation is celebrating 56 years as a housing ministry for people with developmental disabilities and other special needs, and we would like to **INVITE YOU TO ATTEND OUR ...**

2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Food Truck Round Up  
Friday, August 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019, from 5-8 p.m.  
at Hope Center,  
2300 Call Road, Stow, Ohio.

Food Trucks, Craft Beer & Local Wine, Artisan Items for Sale

Free Children's Activities: Inflatables, Games, Face Painting, & More

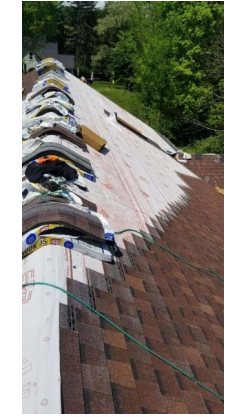
Music - Food, and Fun for the Entire Family

**FREE  
Community  
Event!**

## “Raise the Roof” Campaign Complete

Hope Homes received a \$10,000.00 grant from the **Welty Family Foundation** for its “Raise the Roof” Campaign. The contribution was used to replace the roof on the Norton Rd residence in Hudson, Ohio. The new roof and skylights replaced the original roof which was over 30 years old.

The residents and the staff of Hopes Homes thanks the Welty Family Foundation for its generous gift. We are truly excited that the Welty Family Foundation has supported this project. The project was completed in May 2019 and results of the renovations can be seen in the below pictures.



## Property Maintenance is Our # 1 Priority... continued

### Home Inspections, Special Projects and Routine Maintenance Round-Up

Below are a few **NEW** examples of the work completed:

Norton Rd. Hudson, Ohio - Home # 14  
Installed New roof and Skylights

Bryn Myrwh Stow, Ohio - Home # 20  
Installed New 40 Gallon Hot Water Tank

26<sup>th</sup> Street NE, Canton Ohio - Home #18 and #19  
Installed new carpet throughout homes

Pheasant Run, Tallmadge, Ohio - Home # 8  
New bathroom fixtures installed

Semi-Annual Inspections completed for homes located on Ailing Rd, Hickory St, Pheasant Run (2) and Columbia Rd in Mainville, Ohio.

