

Feb 2019



Hosanna Home

WOMEN'S SHELTER

OUR MISSION: *Providing care in a Christian home for women in transition.*

2019 GRADUATE - ANN

Last September, a sweet lady telephoned me to say she was in need of a place to live. She had been left homeless by a death of her boyfriend and was living on the street. I asked her if she could attend church that night at Summit Christian Church and she did. We invited her to stay at Hosanna Home and on March 22nd, Miss Ann will graduate. She has been working, saving money, growing in Jesus (was baptized on October 7, 2018) and is ready to try it on her own.

She had a job when she arrived, working at Jet.com. She travels 4 nights a week to USA Parkway and works from 5:30 pm to 5:00 am. Out of 500 workers, she was proclaimed the #2 packer of all employees for her diligent work ethic and has saved the most money of any resident that has ever come to Hosanna Home during her 6 month stay.

We will have a Graduation Open House for her on Saturday, March 23, 2019, from 11 am to 1 pm. All are welcome to come and wish her well. She will not be setting up an apartment, but traveling to visit family. Therefore, she doesn't need household items. Gift cards are very welcomed.



Ann on her first day.



Ann on a walk.



Ann's Baptism



Ann's Decorating skills



Ann at Christmas



Austin Baptist Church Blessings at Christmas

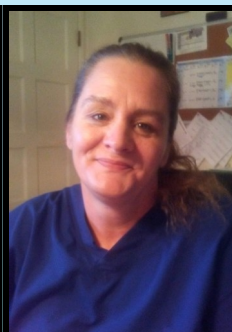
OUR VISION: HELPING WOMEN FIND GOD'S PLAN

Hosanna Home October 2018 - February 2019 Residents

Please Pray for these Ladies.



Ann



Sherry



Tina



Maria



Terra



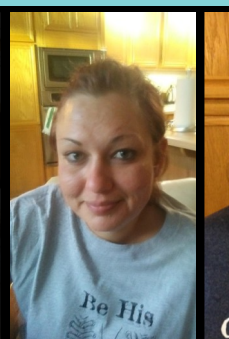
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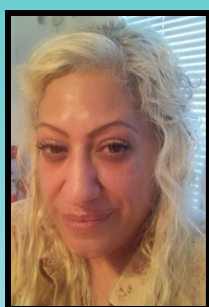
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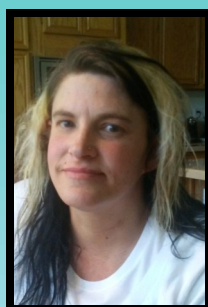
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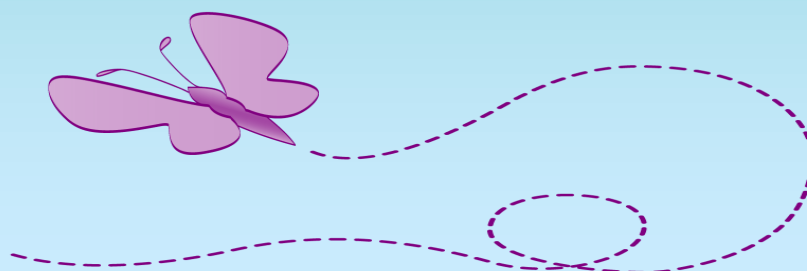
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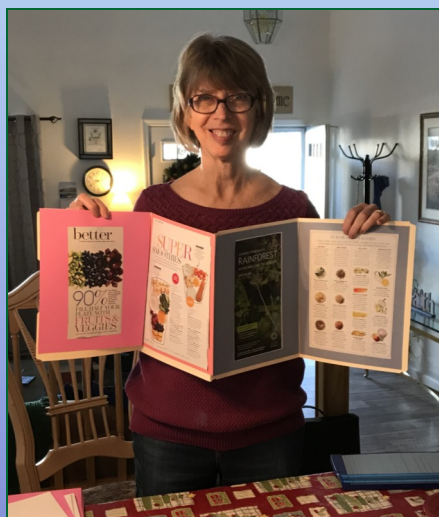
Christmas at Hosanna Home 2018

Christmas is always special at Hosanna Home and 2018 was no exception. We had the wonderful experience of two candlelight services (one at Summit and one at South Reno Baptist). As in the past five years, Austin Baptist Church provided beautiful gift boxes for all of our residents and each girl was adopted by a special angel to provide desired gifts.

We also had a wonderful Christmas dinner and many lovely treats to eat donated by our loving supporters. Popcorn, fruit, brownies, pies and much more.



RECREATION MEANS DREAMING ABOUT WHAT GOD MAKES POSSIBLE



Volunteers Deb Lambeth and Jody Hartog helped our gals dream about God's Possibilities in their lives in January by making Dream Boards. In February, they made scrapbooks about the Fruit of the Spirit.

When we have warmer weather, our team will go outdoors to enjoy the beauty of God's creation.

Growing in sobriety, joy and strength takes more than just a place to live. It takes people caring and sharing their lives and love of Christ.



SAYING GOOD-BYE IS ALWAYS HARD

Melissa Higgins served as our daytime House Manager from July 2018 thru January 2019. God did miracles for Melissa while she served at Hosanna Home and we know He will continue to watch over her. She was a great blessing to the residents while serving with us.

We are grateful for our time with her being here and ask you to pray for God's special care for her and her children in the future.



CURRENT HOSANNA HOME NEEDS

- ☐ Snack bars, Crackers & Chips
- ☐ Fresh Vegetables
- ☐ Cake Mixes and Frosting
- ☐ Hair spray
- ☐ Mascara
- ☐ Kleenex
- ☐ Toilet Tissue & Paper Towels
- ☐ Disinfectant Wipes
- ☐ Laundry Soap HE
- ☐ Pudding & Fruit cups
- ☐ Quart sized freezer bags
- ☐ Comet Cleanser
- ☐ Dryer sheets
- ☐ Body Lotions
- ☐ Antacids
- ☐ Automatic Dishwasher Soap
- ☐ Coffee
- ☐ Lemonade Mix
- ☐ Coffee Creamers

Items may be dropped off at
Esther's Closet
544 Greenbrae Drive
Sparks, NV
Tues - Sat: 10 am to 4 pm



HOSANNA HOME BAPTISMS

Wendy arrived at Hosanna Home from a weekly after running out of cash. She was bound for the street and it was getting cold (November).

She was baptized on December 1st at Summit Christian Church by Pastor Bryan Smith. She is growing in the Lord and studying her Identity in Christ. We are very proud of her!



NEWS FROM ESTHER'S CLOSET

Through the generous donations at Esther's Closet, we are able to clothe and bless our residents who usually come without much to wear. You can see by the happy faces that these ladies are truly blessed by the ability to shop in such a lovely store. Our Coordinator, Miranda has done a wonderful job of keeping the store outfitted in lovely ways. She will be retiring in April, but will continue to serve as a team leader in the store. We are grateful to all of our customers, volunteers and donors who help us restore the lives of the gals God brings to us.

Esther's Closet is located in a very old building and we need to upgrade our lighting. Please keep this matter in prayer as we seek to replace the ballasts and bulbs of 30 light fixtures. Pray for helpers to do the work so we minimize our expenses.

UPCOMING EVENT:

We will be hosting a special Mother's Day Event in May - we have such items as Prada sandals, furs (including a beautiful Red Fox Jacket), 2 Coach purses and some very unique jewelry. Be sure to visit our store to see our new \$3 Clearance Room, as well. Join our mailing list by going to our website: www.hosannahome.org to sign up for all of our updates.



Miranda



SPECIAL THANKS FOR SPECIAL DONATIONS!

Thank You



You can support Hosanna Home with all your Amazon purchases. Just go to Amazon Smile and select us as your charity.

The address is: <http://smile.amazon.com/>

- Cindy Duncan: Pan spaghetti from Olive Garden & Christmas candy bags
- DeHuff Life Group: Laundry soap, cake mixes, snacks, deodorant & dishwasher soap.
- Melissa Brant's Life Group: Dinner & games
- Hults Life Group: Printer paper & canned food, applesauce & slippers
- Beverly Johnson - Christmas basket full of fruit
- Melissa Higgins - nicotine patches
- Jody Hartog - Christmas blankets and breakfast casseroles.
- Julie Redmond - Christmas Cookies
- Melodie Solton - fresh fruit & veggies
- Diane Pemberton - Journals
- Debbie Lambeth/Jody Hartog - cake, cookies & 4 gallons of ice cream.
- Marcy Santino: clothing, casserole dishes, & snow shovels
- Summit Women's Bible Study: toiletries, laundry soap, shampoos, makeup & soap
- Paul & Kathy Hutchens: Disinfectant wipes, laundry soap, dishwasher soap.
- Holy Cross Lutheran Church: mother & baby quilts & blankets
- Toni Dodd - nicotine patches
- Kathy Brown - 4 lbs of ground beef.
- Robbett Eyler - books, cds & greeting cards.
- Gary Pouliot - 1/2 case of chips.
- Matt Santino - removing dead trees and branches from our yard!



Your donations of clothing and items for ladies at Esther's Closet helps clothe our residents who come with nothing but what they are wearing.

These items prepare ladies for jobs, the winter cold and special need items.

VOLUNTEERS ARE OUR LIFE'S BLOOD AT HOSANNA HOME!

Quarterly we host a new volunteer orientation. We usually have between 3 - 7 ladies who are interested in joining our team to assist our residents. There's many jobs to do from working at Esther's Closet to teaching Bible Studies. We were especially blessed in January to have 24 ladies sign up at Summit Christian Church to attend a class. We are so grateful to have these ladies come to join our team from that class.

Serving at Esther's Closet



Ellie

Cindy

Donna

Cindy

Serving as Bible Study/Life Skills Leaders



Tara

Pam

Lynn

Nicole

Serving as Care Partners and Job Skills Teachers



Michelle

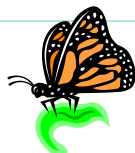
Gena

Amy

Bonnie



IN HIS LOVE
Linda Schmitt,
Executive Director



Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come!

2 Corinthians 5:17

Someone asked me recently if I have a succession plan for when I leave Hosanna Home. I explained my plan is to have Jesus return and take us all to heaven so I don't have to worry about finding another Director for Hosanna Home. Though that may not be God's plan....I know that His servants die but His plans never do, so I'm not too worried about it.

I have watched Him do miracle after miracle for the past 13 years and I don't expect Him to change.

Sometimes I think we will probably run out of ladies to help. I guess that may be a dream-not a reality. Life on this planet gets harder each year, which probably means He will continue

to bring ladies that need to know about His love and His ways. I will continue to serve until He calls me home.

Esther's Closet has volunteers in their 80's still serving with gusto. That gives me hope that I have another 15 to go before I'm finished here on this planet - again, unless He comes to take us all home. My answer to that is Maranatha - Come quickly, Lord Jesus.

There's joy in the journey with God. In fact, I am the one He has changed the most in this ministry. He has proven His faithfulness over and over.

We continue to need the same things - Food, paper goods, clothing,

Bibles, teachers, servants and prayers. Please know that without our support from God through all of you, we would be unable to bring the gospel to His girls.

Know therefore that the Lord your God is God, the faithful God who keeps covenant and steadfast love with those who love him and keep his commandments, to a thousand generations.

Deuteronomy 7:9

Our House Managers Now



Ona



Deborah



Lydia

With Melissa leaving us in January, God has brought another new season to our staff at Hosanna Home. Ona has been with us since 2013, Deborah is back and has served since 2011. Lydia may look familiar to you as she is a Hosanna Home graduate from 2013.

Ona works 3 days and nights, Lydia 1 day and night and Deborah is working 3 days and nights. It's always a surprise how God works out the details if we just trust Him with the problem.

Each of these ladies have a heart to serve hurting women and that's because they've been there and want to make a difference.