

February 2024



# Hosanna Home

WOMEN'S SHELTER

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

## GRADUATING A PRECIOUS LADY

On October 5, 2023, Creselda graduated the Hosanna Home program after 9 months of learning, changing and growing in Christ. We were able to host a zoom meeting so her family in Utah could join in on the festivities. We are so proud of her. Many blessings were obtained during her stay with us.



So Grateful



## CHRISTMAS 2023

Christmas is always a special time at Hosanna Home and this year was no different. The ladies received all of their special wishes and more...the joy is apparent on their faces! We are grateful to all who helped make this special for them. Special Thanks for Austin Baptist Church for the blessings of shoebox gifts!!!



**OUR VISION: HELPING WOMEN FIND GOD'S PLAN**

Hosanna Home: August 2023 to March 2024 Residents

**Please Pray for these Ladies**



Katie

Debbie

Taffiny

Sharon

Creselda

Brooke

Jenn

Staci

*Therefore let everyone who is godly pray to you while you may be found; surely when the mighty waters rise, they will not reach him. You are my hiding place; you will protect me from trouble and surround me with songs of deliverance. Selah! I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will counsel you and watch over you. Psalm 32:6-8*

**Baptisms Make Us Smile & Melt God's Heart**



When a resident decides to get baptized, it makes everyone at Hosanna Home smile! But it Melts God's Heart and we get to watch Him bring blessings and joy into the life of a woman who has found a new way to live. Sharon was baptized on January 14, 2024, at South Reno Baptist Church.



## What does 9 months at Hosanna Home look like?

Here's a pictorial of Creselda's time at Hosanna Home and how God worked in her life through the lessons and trials of finding a new way to live. She's a perfect example of how God takes a caterpillar and makes a butterfly!



1/4/2023



2/19/23 Baptism at South Reno Baptist Church



90 days sober Celebrate Recovery 3/23



Haircut 4/20/2023



Recreation 4/29/2023



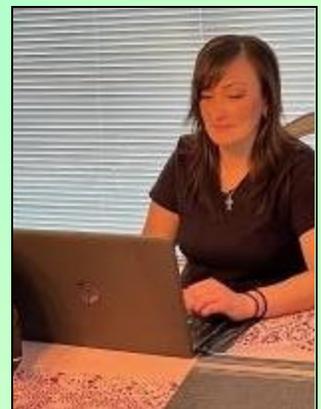
6 mos. Sober 6/2/23



Dr. Vondra provided chiropractic care to Cres as a special gift!



Picnic at South Reno Baptist Church



Drug Court Zoom Mtgs

### 9 months Pictorial



Care Partner Monthly Meetings



Creselda's birthday on July 29th!

Recreation July 16



Day Surgery in August



Therapy session in Sept



Moved into her new apartment in January 2024

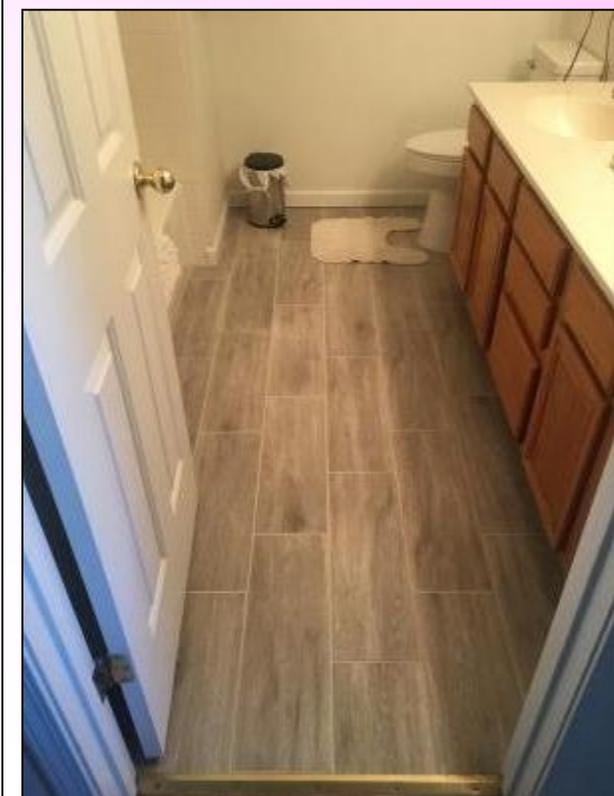
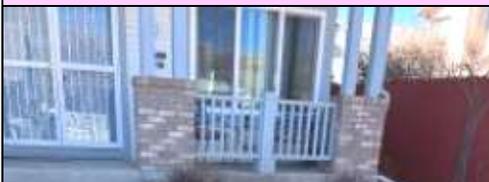


Graduation in October

## A WONDERFUL GIFT BRINGS A FRESH LOOK TO HOSANNA HOME

Thanks for South Reno Baptist Church Missions Team, Hosanna Home was able to update our 30 year old landscaping and give our front yard a makeover. Additionally, we were able to update our residents' bathroom linoleum floor which was beginning to fail. We now have a beautiful clean tile floor and we are so grateful!!

*Labor was done by Steve & Mike Boe.*



### NEWS FROM ESTHER'S CLOSET—VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Spring at Esther's Closet is definitely in bloom. On February 9th, we had a Special Event at Esther's Closet called, "Love Yourself Event." Ladies bought a \$5 ticket and brought a piece of clothing they love, but didn't know how to accessorize. Ms. Nevada Petite gave pointers on dressing outfits up and we had a great time! If you have a bit of time to come and fellowship and create beautiful bargains for those who love to shop and our residents, please stop by 544 Greenbrae and submit an application! April specials include Dresses, Shoes and a colored tag at 50% off. May will feature all purses, jewelry and scarves at half price. Come in a browse our wonderful selections!



## RECREATION IS IMPORTANT TO OUR RESIDENTS



Our Recreation Leader, Jana Shuler, has served our ladies for the past three years. She has found a need to step down and we are so very grateful to her for all of her wonderful work with the ladies at Hosanna Home.

Jana was creative with rock painting, cookie making, pumpkin painting, great lunches and dinners, special events like Andelin Farms tours and Dragon Lights. She also provided cage free eggs for Hosanna Home. She will be greatly missed! But we are grateful to the Lord that we had her service for the time she shared.

Our Recreation this season included a concert, miniature golf, Yogurt Beach and Pumpkin decorating for October.



## SPECIAL THANKS FOR SPECIAL DONATIONS!

- Anna Bates—24 rolls of toilet tissue, Brita filters & large tote
- Hults Life Group: Pies, Keurig coffee, snacks, canned veggies
- Lori Conner: Assorted canned goods, post-it notes, groceries
- Carolyn Van Stralen: Appetizer serving utensils, Christmas serving dish; Decorations
- Claudia Nelson: Butter, mandarin oranges, pineapple, navel oranges
- Austin Baptist Church: Gifts for our kitchen & Xmas gifts for residents
- Bev Johnson: Chocolates & Corn chips
- Covenant Presbyterian Church: Hand creams and body lotions
- Jessie Fleming: Cookies, Chocolates, avocados, plastic bags & 4 boxes of teas
- Betty Ann Holt: Chair, toaster, candles and kitchen items
- Dallas McCord: Pasta and canned goods
- Sherry Stagnaro: Oatmeal & can goods
- Michael Broughton: Many dozen eggs
- Summit Christian Church: 8 bags of groceries



## CURRENT HOSANNA HOME NEEDS

- Snack bars, Crackers & Chips
- Laundry Detergent HE
- Dryer sheets
- Fresh or Canned Fruit & Juices
- Toilet Tissue, Kleenex & Paper Towels
- Pine Sol & Window Cleaners
- Pudding & Fruit cups
- Coffee Creamers
- Quart sized freezer bags
- Comet Cleanser
- Hair Spray
- Mascara (All Colors)
- Sugar
- Trash Bags (kitchen & Lawn)
- Canned Meats
- Sugar



**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

It is so amazing how God changes seasons—This season we are blessed to be able to minister to women from various community sources. This includes Washoe County Jail, Reno Behavioral Center, Safe Embrace, Life Changes and many churches that know the opportunities we offer the women who come to us.

We have recently been working with Washoe County Drug Court and Parole and Probation. ONLY GOD could bring us these ladies and we are grateful to all of the programs and community resources that help those who need help.

I wish I could say we are able to make a difference in every woman that comes to us, but sometimes we just have a short period of time to plant seeds of the Gospel.

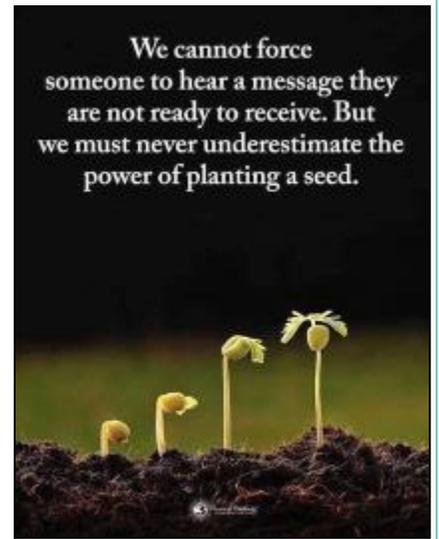
When a woman leaves, we are so sorry to see her go, but we know that God’s Word does not return void. There will be a purpose for the time she spent in our home and even the time she spent with us for an interview.

Prayer is a most important part of this ministry and we hope you remember us as you talk with the Lord daily.

Thank you for supporting this work and the ladies that God brings to us.

Only He can change a heart.

Blessings and Love,  
Linda Schmitt



## VOLUNTEERS—THE LIFE BLOOD OF MINISTRY

A ministry is more than one person—it is the Body of Christ working together to make a difference in our world. Hosanna Home has many faces of ministry—Esther’s Closet, Teachers, Care Partners, Recreation Leaders, and Donors! Here’s a few of our newest God workers at Hosanna Home. We are so grateful to them for all they do to help us disciple our residents into a new life in Jesus!



**Lisa**



**Kay**



**Gina**



**Veronica**



**Jacque**

**There’s room for you, too!**