

June 2019



Hosanna Home

WOMEN'S SHELTER

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

2019 GRADUATE #2- WENDY

On November 19, 2018, we met with a dear lady named Wendy. She had been staying in a weekly motel but had run out of money and would have been on the street the next day. We took her home with us that night. During the next six months, God did an amazing transformation in her life. She accepted Christ as her Savior and was baptized in December. Started a new job and saved over \$4000 and after graduation from Hosanna Home's supervised program, made the decision to apply to be our first ever resident at Leah's House extended accountability program. She continues to follow the Lord and has bought a car!



Wendy's first day.



Wendy's Baptism



Christmas Eve



Celebrated a birthday



Wendy at Recreation Picnic



Graduation Day



Wendy at Church with the group



2019 GRADUATE #3 - MICHELLE (MISHA)

In December 2018, we met with a sweet lady and invited her to come to Hosanna Home. Her name is Michelle, (aka Misha). She found a job, saved \$1250 and graduated in June 2019. She also applied to continue with us at Leah's House for one more month. She has found her own apartment and we wish her the very best!



December 2018



Blessings from Esther's Closet



Christmas Blessings



Dream Boards in January



Scrapbooking in February



Pizza Party in March



Ready for Graduation



GRADUATION DAY!!!!



Gifts for the Graduate

OUR VISION: HELPING WOMEN FIND GOD'S PLAN

Hosanna Home March 2019 - August 2019 Residents

Please Pray for these Ladies.



Wendy



Misha



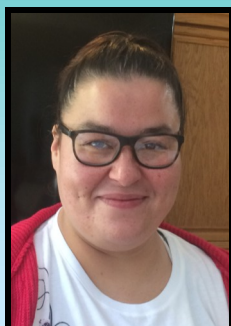
Theresa



Patricia



Dominick



Janice



Danielle



Jessica



CHANGING DIRECTION AT LEAH'S HOUSE



Pray for our Graduates that move into Leah's House to continue to grow in the Lord!

Leah's House was purchased in July 2015 with the purpose to become an emergency house for homeless women with preschoolers. We opened in October 2015 but in May of 2018, after much prayer, we determined that we weren't able to help move the families forward, so we discontinued this program. The home was utilized for providing a house manager recovery time from surgery and watched over by our sweet neighbors but no ministry was done there.

Beginning in May of 2019, our Board decided that Hosanna Home graduates might benefit from a continued accountability program with reasonable monthly costs (rents being so high in Reno now). Rooms were revamped to allow one resident per room and TVs, DVD players and more privacy. We hired a house custodian and began housing graduates. It will be wonderful to watch God continue to change the lives of women as we walk a longer period of time with them.

COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN HOSTS HOSANNA HOME FOR MISSIONS DAY!

On Sunday, August 11th, our Executive Director was invited to be the speaker at Covenant Presbyterian's Mission Sunday. There was a mission fair and Linda spoke about Mission Impossible - doing ministry without enough workers. She explained that there has been over 28,000 hours of mission work by our volunteers in the past eleven years....and highlighted the difference this has made to the kingdom of God.

Over 540 applicants have heard the gospel of Jesus and over 250 residents have come into the program. Cindy Duncan who graduated from Hosanna Home in 2009, gave her testimony of what God has done in her life and how she is finishing her Masters Degree in Divinity to become a Chaplain. Cindy is currently helping Multnomah and Renown create a new Chaplaincy program at the Bible College.

Covenant also hosted all attenders to a lovely BBQ after the service!



Director Linda Schmitt



Graduate Cindy Duncan

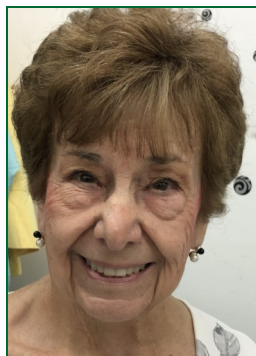
God continues to use Hosanna Home to declare His love.

NEW VOLUNTEERS AT ESTHER'S CLOSET!

Ministry at Hosanna Home is not a mission of one! It is a strong group of women coming together to help other women find the peace and joy of Christ and change their ashes into beauty! During the past three months these lovely ladies have joined the team at Esther's Closet! We certainly need more volunteers, but we are so thankful for their contributions and time that provide for our residents, both clothing and finances.



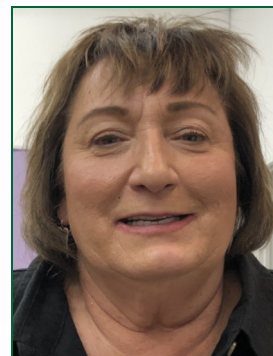
Edith



Eleanor



Pat



Shelle

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
- ☐ Antacids
- ☐ Automatic Dishwasher Soap
- ☐ Coffee
- ☐ Lemonade Mix
- ☐ Coffee Creamers

Items may be dropped off at
Esther's Closet

544 Greenbrae Drive
Sparks, NV

Tuesdays 1 pm - 4 pm
Wed. thru Sat: 10 am to 4 pm



BLESSINGS FROM ABOVE

Summit Church donated a lovely GMC Denali to Hosanna Home in March and we were able to sell it to a lovely single mother and provide winter transportation for her and her children. It blessed Hosanna Home and it blessed her! Thanks, Summit & You, Lord!!!



Wendy has been saving for a car since January 2019 and in June, she found the right one! She is so excited to not have to ride a bike, walk or take a bus when she has an appointment. We are very proud of her!!



NEWS FROM ESTHER'S CLOSET



Meet our new Coordinator at Esther's Closet. Her name is Erin Ross and she's been a volunteer and Team Leader since April 2018. She has graciously picked up the baton and carried on since Miranda retired in April. She is doing a wonderful job!

In March, the store was broken into and God protected us - nothing was stolen. Just the expense of fixing the front door (\$1400). Whoever was responsible didn't find any money and didn't want our "girl stuff."



We have a new \$3 room - Great bargains!

Our 50% off Summer Blow-out sale runs from August 15 - September 14th!

NEW HOURS!

We are now open on Tuesdays from 1 - 4 pm. This cutback is due to a need for volunteers. Come spend some quality time serving with us!

Our hours will continue Wed - Sat from 10 am - 4 pm.

Watch for our Special Event coming in October - More to come as we plan that event. Emails will be forwarded as we get closer.

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/>

- Byron & Joan Meyer: Soaps & lotions - 10 lbs of beef.
- DeHuff Life Group: Fruit cups, paper towels, toilet paper, dishwasher soap, coffee, journals, mustard jam, veggies, Bisquick, Brownie mix, Cake mixes & frosting, candy & Pancake mix, creamers, butterfly cookies.
- Peachy Life Group: Dinner & games + paper goods.
- Marcy Santino: Brown sugar, soft soap refills & coffee.
- Lindsey Pieth: Paper towels & toilet paper.
- St. John's Presbyterian Church: paper towels, klennex, food items.
- Christie Towne: Fresh Pineapple
- Gary Pouliot: case of Capri Sun juice
- Debbie Lambeth: Veggies
- Jeff Hill: 1 case of disposable gloves
- Lynn Conway: Paper products, snacks, dish soap, antacids.
- Deb Ward: dish towels, food storage containers.
- Terry Sampson: toiletries & nail polish.
- David Schmitt: Toilet Paper, canned chicken
- Nicole Petitt: Haircut for Janice
- Esther's Closet donors: Clothing, jewelry, purses, etc.



Janice's haircut

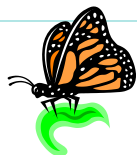


Your donations of clothing and items for ladies at Esther's Closet helps clothe our residents who come with nothing but what they are wearing.

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



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

Our changing world makes change a necessity. It has always been my plan to recognize our limitations at Hosanna Home - we have no formal training in drug or alcohol counseling. So we require 30 days of sobriety to be a resident.

I've never used drugs and I don't know how to get someone to stop doing drugs. Rick Redding (Director at the Reno-Sparks Gospel Mission) once told me that I don't have to stick my head into a garbage can to know it stinks! Right thinking, Rick! (He's gone home to Heaven now).

With the legalization of marijuana, we find it almost impossible to hold

the line on not accepting women without 30 days sobriety. That makes helping them very difficult as a drugged mind cannot absorb information. But we continue to trust Jesus and know that we can take those He sends us, it just makes the first month so much harder.

The world tells them that marijuana isn't addictive (NOT). It tells them it's ok to use this mind altering substance (NOT). Because the world is selling the lies of Satan and Satan's desire is to kill, steal and destroy.

So....we are now taking ladies who have used marijuana within

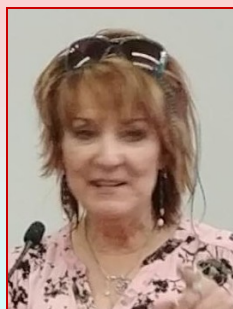
30 days of coming to us. Change....it's what God does. It's not what we do. We are called to LOVE! That's also what God does because HE IS LOVE! Please keep us in your prayers!

To the Jews who had believed him, Jesus said, "If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples. ³² Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." John 8:32

Mentors Needed!



Marcy



Cindy



Donna



Melodie

Mentoring means helping someone grow in an area that needs developing. We have only four mentors at Hosanna Home now. God recently filled up our need for new Bible & Life Skills Teachers but we have a need for mentors - we call them Care & Prayer Partners. These ladies meet weekly with a resident for six months to assist them in their struggles at Hosanna Home (it isn't an easy six months for most of the residents because change is difficult).

We have volunteers come and serve, then God moves them on....that's how all things work - this world is full of Change! Come and be a Changemaker - it's like a Peacemaker only more fruitful!!!