



Newsletter



A CHURCH-BASED APPROACH
TO ENDING FAMILY HOMELESSNESS

Seeds of Growth

Our Mission

The mission of Bridge of Hope Harrisburg Area is to end and prevent homelessness for women and children with the help of trained mentoring groups within congregations. Single mothers achieve permanent housing and financial stability through employment and attain stability and enhanced self-esteem through ongoing mentoring friendships. Our goal is to exemplify Christ's love and to promote physical, emotional, social, and spiritual wholeness.

Thank You!

United Way
A special thanks to our friends from United Way who volunteered to help Bridge of Hope Harrisburg Area on their "Day of Caring" in September. They were upbeat and helped in numerous ways!

Bridge of Hope Harrisburg Area Participant and Office Needs:

Grocery Gift Cards

Gas Gift Cards

Cleaning Supplies

HP 60 Black Cartridges

HP 60 Tri-Color Cartridges

Please call 717-635-5957 if you have items you wish to donate.

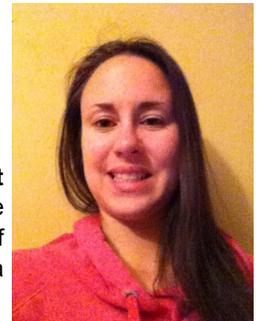
Bride of Hope Harrisburg Area has seen steady growth in the demand for our program and we earnestly desire to serve more families. With each program opening we receive 20 to 30 applications. To meet this demand, we have taken a step of faith and expanded our program staff to include a Family Resource Coordinator! Now we are asking you to join us in our step of faith by generously supporting Bridge of Hope Harrisburg Area. One immediate way you can do this is by responding to our Annual Appeal. We do hope you will walk in faith with us believing that God can grow this much needed program in the Harrisburg Area through generous donors like you!

With much anticipation we welcome Laura Hartranft as the Family Resource Coordinator. Laura will provide case management and support services to three to four single, at-risk mothers and their children experiencing homelessness for the duration of their participation in the Bridge of Hope Harrisburg Area program. She will be participating in family selection, resourcing mentoring groups and providing supportive counseling for participating families to encourage financial stability and holistic growth.

Laura comes to Bridge of Hope Harrisburg Area with a BS in Psychology from Penn State. She most recently worked for Case Management Unit in Harrisburg, PA where she had the opportunity to serve mothers experiencing homelessness among other case work experience. Laura says she loves the mission of empowering women to attain self-sufficiency and most looks forward to seeing the ladies grow and graduate from the Bridge of Hope Harrisburg Area program.

On a more personal note, Laura enjoys spending time with her

family, including her one-year old daughter, one dog and two cats! We welcome Laura and look forward to the impact she will have on the women and children in the Bridge of Hope Harrisburg Area program!



Laura Hartranft
Family Resource
Coordinator for Bridge of
Hope Harrisburg Area

Only \$29/person Ticket price includes buffet, coffee bar, dessert, fashion show, chair massage, color & figure analysis & more!

Call 717.249.0297 today to purchase your tickets!

All proceeds benefit Harrisburg's Bridge of Hope ministry, a local charity that helps single mothers achieve their own permanent housing and financial stability through employment and budget planning through promoting physical, emotional, social, and spiritual wholeness.

Be An Abundant Harvest?

It's harvest time on our farm and with this change of season comes anticipated fun. The concord grapes are dangling from the arbor waiting to be made into jelly and our fields of browned corn are ready for picking. We are harvesting and preparing for winter as the air gets cooler and our cattle await their grain. I love the change of seasons! God has blessed us with a

beautiful world to see and experience. In the Fall, the leaves on the mountains are turning deep shades of red and yellow. We look forward to apple cider and hay rides. There is actually excitement in the air as winter approaches!

However, it's especially during this time of year

that I can't help but think of the single mothers and their children in the Bridge of Hope Harrisburg Area program who are experiencing homelessness. The insecurity of knowing winter is coming and they may not have a place to call home much less enjoy the changing world around them is a heavy burden. Please join with me in praying for these ladies and their children. If you feel so led, please consider supporting Bridge of Hope Harrisburg Area with a financial gift or by volunteering your time. Will you consider being an "abundant harvest" in the lives of the ladies and their children in the Bridge of Hope Harrisburg Area program?

"Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up." Galatians 6:9 (NIV)

Please enjoy this fall drink recipe. My family has enjoyed it for years!

Wassail

Simmer the following ingredients in a crock pot for 4 to 6 hours on high. Remove spices and oranges as the drink meets your desired taste. Serve warm & refrigerate leftovers. This will fill your home with a wonderful aroma!

1 gallon apple cider
3 sticks of cinnamon
1 tsp whole cloves (in tea strainer)
1 cup pineapple juice
1/2 orange in slices

Jenny Nace
Administrative Assistant



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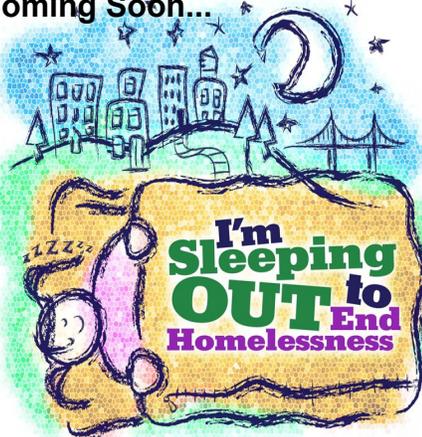
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Coming Soon...



Mark Your Calendars!

Spring Gala 2014

"Planting Seeds of Growth"



April 19, 2014 at the Clarion Inn,
New Cumberland.

Buy tickets online at
<http://harrisburg.bridgeofhopeinc.org>

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