

Fall 2021

Hope Springs Safe House

Where Hope Springs to Life



Matthew 5:14-16

14 You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. 15 Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. 16 In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.

Greetings Friends and Supporters,

As I sit on my patio on these cool fall nights, I enjoy the soft flicker of light from the fire pit. I see the light from the moon shining down on the corn field and I enjoy how the stars light up the sky. I feel safe and peaceful in the glow that shines. However, in pondering the power of light, I realize that I would be scared if there was no light. If there was no moon or stars to light up the sky, and no light from the fire, it would be pitch black and I would not enjoy the cool fall nights. I would be scared of the unknown that I cannot see. Light is the source that we always look for in darkness to escape from unsafe, anxiety, confused and disoriented feelings. God's word says that we are to let our light shine before others. Hope Springs is here to be light for the families that we serve. When families come to Hope Springs, they are afraid, anxious, confused or disoriented. Our staff shows light by showing kindness and understanding with grace and compassion. Once people are in the light, they can start healing and begin a journey of hope.

Serving our community through this pandemic has stretched our imaginations and our resources. We have needed to think outside of the box as to how we can keep people safe and still be a light to as many survivors as we can. I am thankful our residents have stayed healthy. I am thankful that we remain focused on helping any survivor of any background in the name of Christ; even through a pandemic, many national and world disruptions, and the ever-changing needs of the people we serve.

We are expanding our services and our reach further into the community so any survivor, whether or not they need housing, has access to supportive and protective services. We are helping families obtain permanent and safe housing so they can move forward independently and without fear. Our mission is important, and I thank you for helping us follow God's calling to be the light in a dark world.

In Christ,

Making Homes Possible

Our new Rapid Rehousing program offers a unique solution to families and individuals who experience domestic violence to find safety in a more permanent way. Housing instability is four times more likely for those who have experienced domestic violence compared to those who have not.

This program actively brings down the barriers to housing for those recovering from homelessness due to domestic violence, reducing the months it would typically take to save for an apartment or home.

Assistance with rent, utilities, child care and fuel can be used for up to 12 months. The amount of assistance provided is based on case management assessments and verification of household income and debt.

With case management, support services, safety plans, workforce assistance, and referrals to additional services, participants are able to address their challenges and maintain long-term housing stability.

We believe that everyone deserves a safe home. For more information, give us a call. 765-764-5212

Service to humanity is service to God

Your kind support meant we could be there when more survivors than ever before came to us for help during the pandemic.

January – August 2021 stats

Shelter provided 1972 Safe Bed Nights for 28 adults & 15 children

Rapid Rehousing provided 3,043 safe bed nights to 7 adults & 6 children

Supportive Services Clients served 17 adults & 14 children

Answered 104 Crisis Helpline Calls

Thank you!



I am forever grateful for how the Rapid Rehousing program has helped me.

It was truly a godsend when I had no safe place to live. I was not safe at my house and had been couch-surfing for about 6 weeks, wondering how in the world could possibly get out to someplace safe, when I was just a stay-at-home housewife with no income.

The program provided the safe living place that I needed which turned out to be better than I could have imagined. The funding allowed me to have a refuge while I was healing from domestic abuse, and waiting for my divorce to be finalized. There was amazing support in so many ways, mentally, emotionally, physically and spiritually. I felt so cared-for by the folks involved in the rapid rehousing program, and they always made sure I was safe and had the things I needed.

This program is also great in that it helped me to get on my feet, kept track of my progress, and helped me be better able to start out on my new life.

Current Rapid Rehousing Resident



Hope Springs Little Free Food, Toiletry, and Book Library

Our mobile lending library has turned into a space where community members can have access to free food, toiletries and books. Hope Springs fills this little box on a regular basis as a ministry to hurting and needy families in our community. Our motto is "Take what you need, leave what you can, above all else, be blessed"

October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month

October was first declared as National Domestic Violence Awareness Month in 1989. Since then, October has been a time to acknowledge domestic violence survivors and be a voice for its victims. Hope Springs is working hard to raise awareness in our community. Below is a list of Hope Springs activities to help us raise awareness:

- Covington Apple Festival - September 25th
- Facebook Friday Story Time with Kinley
- DV Awareness Cookies
- Harrison Steel Awareness Day – October 19th
- Seeger Football Game Booth – October 8th
- Hygiene Drive at Seeger and Purdue Extension
- Paper Products and Laundry Drive – Wabash Valley Bible Baptist Church
- Wear Purple Day – October 21st
- Billboard Campaign – Warren, Fountain, and Benton Counties
- Yard Sign Campaign – Warren, Fountain, and Benton Counties
- Purple Ribbons to local businesses and schools
- Human Trafficking Community Training – October 22nd, Ura Seeger Memorial Auditorium
- Child Care Call Out – October 28th Warren County Learning Center
- Spirit Week at Hope Springs – October 25th -30th
- Kitchen Dedication to Heather Smith

We love our Seeger Interns

They learn from us and we are blessed by them!

I have really enjoyed the opportunity to gain a better perspective of abuse in a safe environment. I have learned the logistics behind nonprofit management and the importance of extending compassion to those in need.

Leah Kirkpatrick

I am glad I am interning at Hope Springs because I enjoy spending time with the residents and it is a great experience.

Kinley Elmore

Hope Springs has showed me that the organization is extremely supportive. To work in this field, it requires loving people with huge hearts.

Rhianon Jones



Porch Time with Toni & Megan

Each month we have made it a priority to meet on the porch to have a special treat and chat about everything and nothing. This has helped us to get to know our clients better and it helps them to feel comfortable and important. It is such a great way to relate to the setbacks and celebrate the successes.



Serving victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, and human trafficking.

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How You Can Help

Without our fundraisers this year, we need your help more than ever. There are many ways you can help us help survivors of domestic violence.

Prayer: to help our residents know that they are loved and valued by our Heavenly Father.

Donations: cleaning supplies, laundry detergent, paper plates, paper cups, paper towels, napkins, shampoo, conditioner, deodorant, shower gel, hairspray, pain reliever, cold medicine

Financial Support: You may mail your contributions to Hope Springs Safe House, PO Box 244, Attica, IN 47918. Or you can give online at wcf-inc.org. Choose Hope Springs.

Thank you for prayerfully considering your support of this critical ministry in our community.