



Hope Awaits

MINISTRIES

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Monthly Newsletter

Galatians 6:2 "Carry each other's burdens, and in this way, you will fulfill the law of Christ."

No man is an island, and everyone needs help from others from time to time. A common theme at Hope Awaits has been that a lot of the men don't have anyone to turn to. I've been privileged with the gift of big ears and have been able to listen to so many stories of hurt and tragedy, both during my time here at Hope Awaits and in our community. Sometimes all it takes is someone to listen. It is also so common that we go through hard times, and instead of expressing the hurt we bottle it up. Making us unaware that the more we bottle up our hurt, the more unstable we become in everything we do.

I believe that as a Christian, it is one of our greatest responsibilities to put our own pride and ego aside, and to get our hands dirty and do whatever we can to impact and help the lives of others. God made everyone differently in his image. Some may be more helpful with counselling, where others may be more helpful with the hands-on work, and everything in between. The key is figuring out who you are and how you can make the biggest impact, and then setting out to make it happen.

When we get new men at Hope Awaits, we often let them know how we keep the house running. We make sure they know that everything they see is nothing short of a miracle and everything from the food to the clothes are all donations. They are usually very surprised to hear this and it brings us great joy to tell them. Helping can be as small as a pair of socks that someone desperately needs to cover up sores on their feet, or even bottled water in the hot summer months. We can't labour the harvest without your help, and appreciate it every step of the way.

Alec B

Shelter Care Worker



Glory be to God!

Our Vision

To see men filled with hope and transformed by the love, grace, and power of God.

Highlights

Clients

In June we had eight men reside at the shelter. One client was with us for a week and a half before leaving to move closer to his family. We had other clients leave the program for various reasons, and some are still residing at the shelter.

We also had one of our newer program volunteers come in one week to help one of our clients with financial management.

Fundraisers

Thanks to our wonderful gardeners, through May and June we sold perennials to help raise funds for the shelter. We sold 75 plants and raised \$420!

On June 19th we held our Zumbathon fundraiser. Through the event we raised \$1,350! A big thank you to The Harbour church for allowing us to use their facility, to our instructors Emily Ann and Sean Davis for leading us in Zumba, and to NCL Media for helping us broadcast the event.

Our Garden

Thank you to our wonderful gardeners that faithfully tend to our gardens every year! They do a beautiful job, just see for yourself:



How You Can Help

1. Donate Towards Our Current Needs

- Granola Bars
- Juice
- Cracker Snack Packs
- Salad Dressing
- New Men's Underwear (size medium)
- Glass and Mirror Cleaner
- Toilet Bowl Cleaner
- Paper Towel
- Sunscreen

All donations can be dropped off at 390 First Ave E. daily between 6pm and 9pm.

2. Join Our Prayer Team

Did you know that Hope Awaits has a prayer team that is committed to faithfully praying for the ministry and our clients? You can join our prayer team and receive email updates with prayer requests. To sign up, visit our website here:

www.hopeawaitsministries.com/prayer

3. Become a Monthly Donor

Our current monthly donors cover 33.5% of our expenses. We want to strengthen our ministry, and a part of that is financial strength. A small donation on a monthly basis will help us to continue to provide a safe place for men to find hope and healing. You can become a monthly donor on our website here:

www.hopeawaitsministries.com/monthly-giving

Thank you for your continued prayers and support!

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