

ANNUAL REPORT

2019

Martha's House of Hope by the Numbers

Donations

- 8,000 diapers
- 1000s of wipes
- 4 child care cribs
- 50+ bottles of hair products
- 55+ handmade blankets
- \$51,687 donated
- We also received many more in-kind donations that are too numerous to list. Thank you so much for these!

Volunteers

- 30 volunteers attended orientation
- 150 volunteer hours completed
- 2 Iowa State Interns

Grants

Martha's House of Hope was honored to be the recipient of four grants in 2019. Below is a summary of the grants received and how the funds were used.

- A \$1,000 grant from the United Way of Story County funded a security system for the house.
- A \$1,200 grant from St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church & Student Center covered one month of rent.
- A \$4,050 grant from Story County Community Foundation provided funds for a new washer, dryer, desktop computer, two monitors, a laptop and printer. The computer system is being used for the residents to go to school, complete training, and apply for jobs. They also provide a way to stay connected with family and friends.
- A \$650 grant from the Ames Home Builders Association funded the purchase of CPR manikins that we can use for CPR training for our volunteers and residents.

WHERE WE ARE NOW

Praise God, 2019 saw Martha's House of Hope changing and growing with so many events and milestones. The first and foremost was hiring our Executive Director, Missy Sanow, in May. This began our journey to open the house to mothers in need.

Missy began by creating policy, procedures, forms, etc. Then she began meeting with important community contacts and agencies to ensure great collaboration and resources for our future residents.

In August we opened our home to the community for an open house so all of our supporters could view the work we had completed so far.

Volunteer recruitment and training began in August. The volunteers put in many hours between training, sorting donations, cleaning and more!

In November, the board of directors, Father Richmond, and Missy attended our first Martha's House of Hope Retreat. We prayed together, got to know each other, and bonded over great food. We continue to have monthly Board meetings to ensure the success of Martha's House of Hope.

Also in November, we opened our application process for residents. We placed applications all around the community including medical clinics, WIC, and places where we felt potential residents might look to find us.

We are excited for what 2020 will bring to Martha's House of Hope!

2019 Donors

We would like to thank the many donors that gave financial and material gifts to Martha's House of Hope in 2019. The following is a list of all of the 2019 financial donors. We are grateful to all that supported us in any way.

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