

Harbor House Crisis Shelters

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Shining Light Newsletter

Did you know that having an “attitude of gratitude” influences your perspective of the world? And that gratitude is key to feeling more accomplished, connected to others, and an overall feeling of satisfaction? Imagine if we were more focused on being grateful for what we have than on what we do not have?

During the month of November, to keep a positive outlook, I kept a gratitude journal for Harbor House Crisis Shelters..

Here are some highlights:

- * The Elks Lodge in Superior held a fundraiser raising \$1,111! That's a lot of ones!
- * We had a fantastic key note speaker, Trace Henegar, for our “Making A Difference” event, inspiring each of us to be a positive influence in our community.
- * We raised almost \$9,000 at our “Making A Difference” event to continue our mission of providing hospitable shelter, transitional living, and emergency services to homeless women and families
- * A resident stopped in to tell me, “This is the first time that I feel safe in a very long time. Thank you.”
- * I received a note from a donor, “Thank you for all you do to help families get back on the road to success.”
- * A couple that donates said, “Thank you for allowing us to be part of what you do.”

I have been grateful, I have received appreciation, and now—it is my turn to pass that onto you. Thank you for what you do—your partnership is vital to the women and families we serve.

Grace and Peace, Rev. Barbara Certa-Werner, Executive Director

We are grateful for the Wisconsin United Methodist Churches that collected funds for Golden Cross Sunday Offering! We are blessed by our many ministry partners.

A special thank you to our on-going partners:



Making A Difference 2017 at the Barker's Island Inn and Conference Center



Key note speaker, Tracy Hene-gar (left).

Our Silent Auc-tion tables (right).



Auctioneer, Bill Wintlend, Board member, Sarah Pearson, and Hannah Certá-Werner, displaying a Modern Art piece by our staff person, Chelsea Branelly. (left).



Musician, Sarah Risley (right).

Authorization Agreement for Automatic Withdrawals (ACH Debits)

For Harbor House Crisis Shelters Fund Contributions

I hereby authorize Faith United Methodist Church dba Harbor House Crisis Shelters to initiate debit entries (withdrawals) for the amount of my contribution from my _____ Checking or _____ Savings (select one) account indicated below and the financial institution (bank, credit union, savings and loan, etc.) named below, to debit the same such account.

This authority is to remain in full force and effect until Faith United Methodist Church has received written notification from me or my successor of its termination in such time and in such manner as to afford Faith United Methodist Church and financial institution reasonable opportunity to act on it.

Financial Institution Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Name of Authorized Individual(s) _____

Routing Number _____

Account Number _____

Signature(s) _____

I would like the automatic withdrawal to occur each month on the (select one):

____ 10th ____ 20th \$ _____ Amount.

Please also enclose a voided check (*not* a deposit slip) from the account listed above and return to:

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STATE OF HOMELESSNESS IN WISCONSIN



The state of Wisconsin is combating homelessness through legislation. There are new laws rolling out that are designed to prevent homelessness, decrease barriers once a household is homeless and to increase employment for homeless applicants. Here are the Assembly bills and their current status.

[Assembly Bill 234](#), approved 98-0, would bring together eight agencies to target homelessness through a coordinating council to be chaired by Lt. Gov. Rebecca Kleefisch. Enacted into law.

[Assembly Bill 235](#), approved unanimously, would provide more flexibility in how state grants could be used to provide housing for those in need. It would also loosen rules on how much money is spent in each region of the state, which some advocates say would make it easier to track the flow of transient people. Public hearings held.

[Assembly Bill 236](#) would allow the Wisconsin Housing and Economic Development Authority to provide case management to the chronically homeless. That measure passed 73-25. Presented to the Governor.

[Assembly Bill 237](#) would award one community a \$75,000 grant to secure jobs for the homeless. It passed 88-10. Public hearings held.

These measures are a first for Wisconsin and indicates the homelessness is a pressing issue for our state. We hope that this information will be a conversation starter about ways to address homelessness through prevention, emergency services that include case management, and eliminating barriers to housing and employment.

Enclosed is my donation to help serve children, youth, women, and families experiencing homelessness:

___ \$250 ___ \$100 ___ \$50 ___ \$25 \$ ___ Other

My email address is: _____

___ There are corrections to my name / address on the reverse side.

All gifts are tax-deductible. On-line donations may be made at: www.harborhousecs.org ;

www.facebook.com/harborhousecrisisshelters

or

please return this form with your check payable to:

Harbor House Crisis Shelters.

Thank you for your support and contribution!

Harbor House Crisis Shelters Needs List:

- ♦ cleaning supplies
- ♦ toilet paper
- ♦ disinfectants (wipes and sprays)
- ♦ women's hygiene products
- ♦ laundry soap and dryer sheets
- ♦ garbage bags (13/30 gallon)

Wish List:

- ♦ Electric Stoves/ Refrigerators (5 in good working condition)
- ♦ Bathroom cabinet/sink combo (4)

All items may be dropped off at 1531 Hughitt Ave., Superior. Thank you.

