# THE FOUNDATION SHELTERS

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We are a Gospel driven, non-profit, 501 c 3, tax exempt Ohio Corporation

### **Another Homeless Story**

Here is my story. I was working about two years ago as a Line Cook. Well, the Resturant was really busy in back. We all wasnt really paying Attention and I had already broken my foot and ankle that Summer, we surfice to say. I went into the walk-in and came back out in a rush. I slipped on the wet ramp and landing on my back and fracturing my L-5. As the weeks went by, my back became worse and have since not worked.

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stayed with them until I could get back on my feet. About 4 months ago I go to get something from the kitchen and over heard that they both said they hated me. That night I packed up and left. Theyre was a lot of drinking going on and I couldn't take care of my own health as it appeared to be a problem with my family for about two years. As well I have filed for S.S.I/D and waiting a Court date. Since coming to Lancaster I have a surgery that I have needed for 2 years or more. I have gotten the right Docters and I am working on my housing needs. And thanks to the Foundation Shelters I haven't had to worry about laying my head anywhere but in a nice warm, safe place......CeCe

#### **DECEMBER Support List**

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And your feet shod With the preparation of the Gospel

Ephesians 6:15

HOMELESS SERVED IN DECEMBER

 Women
 9

 Children
 1

 Men
 26

 Total Served
 36

2016 SUPPORT & EXPENSES

Total Donations… \$71,689 Total Expenses…..\$72,969 THANK YOU COMMUNITY

# Wants & Needs List

Coffee, Sugar
Powdered Cream
Plastic Spoons
Washing Machine Detergent
Toilet Paper and Paper Towels
Bleach and Cleaning Supplies
Financial Donations
Trash Bags, large heavy duty
Single bed sheets & blankets

#### A RIGHTEOUS PRAYER FOR ALL OF US

Fix the hearts of the ones that have no hope because we blame ourselves, others or even you God for the bad choices and outcomes.

Let us ask for Jesus to come into our hearts and trust you Lord, to receive forgiveness as we forgive ourselves and others.

Holy Spirit build us up to trust, watch, and wait for your perfect plan. To be ready, willing and able to do your will using our time, talent and treasure to help others and ourselves.

Watch over us, help us behave and keep our hearts, minds, and spirit in Jesus Christ.

Lord let us have hope that you turn into faith. Faith that you turn to love.

Love that helps us to choose rightly to give to ourselves and others in Charity.

This meaningful and sincere prayer was sent to us by one of our supporters, Connie Hale. Thank you Connie. It certainly addresses the needs at The Foundation Shelters as well as all of us individually.

#### KATIE'S KORNER

**Peace**. We all yearn for it. It implies safety, comfort, and happiness. **Peace** is in the **WORD**. I pray we all find a **Peace** that lasts. A Happy New Year to all.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 Steve	3 Ethel	4 Maureen	5 Ethel	6 Joe	7 Jeana &
Joe Harrison	Wood	Mugg	Fev	Mugg	Harrison	
8	9 Dave Dilger	10 Pam	11 Maureen	12 Dennis	13 Joe	14 Greg
Pam Catalan	& Bill Ashton	Catalan	Fey	Artkowski	Harrison	
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29 Joe Harrison	30 Steve Wood	31 Ethel Mugg			RD also has in our shoe.	

We captured yet another Shelter Volunteer this month. His name is Dennis Artkowski. He rapidly said yes when asked. He will come in to oversee the Shelter every other Thursday evening from 5:00pm until 8:00pm. Thank you Dennis.

## A HOMELESS NIGHT?

We are making plans to have a Homeless Night event this coming fall. It will be an overnight sleep-out for anyone in the community who is interested in knowing how it feels to be homeless and no where to go, just for one night, not for a lifetime. This will not be a fundraiser. Its purpose is to elevate community awareness of the homeless situation right here in our own community. Sleeping bags, pup tents, cardboard boxes and such things will be used to protect participants from the elements. The location has not been selected. We will wait to see how much interest is stirred up, then we will pick a site that is adequately large enough. Would you like to join us?

Karen Brunney will be directing the process. Her telephone number is 740 974 7615. If you have an interest in sleeping out for one night give her a call. We will start making a list of participants at any time. Just call Karen. September is the month selected.

#### A COMMUNITY WEALTHY IN ITS CHARITY

What a great year 2016 has been for The Foundation Shelters. We have housed many homeless men, women and children successfully. We have dedicated, faithful, mature, and fully interested employees who truly care for the homeless and are able and willing to share the Gospel whenever the occasion might occur. We have a community who readily provides the necessary donations to operate the shelter and has done so for the past twenty two years. We have the full cooperation of the Police Department and are located just across the street from the West Side Fire Department who also cooperates with us totally. Many donors come in our door with all sorts of our needs like coffee, creamers, sugar, detergents, sheets, blankets, pillows, women's personal items, back packs, sleeping bags, and many other items. We have volunteers who open the shelter early, at 5:00pm instead of 8:00pm in the coldest months of the year. We receive monthly donations that do not always cover our monthly expenses but when November and December arrives the hearts of many open and we receive holiday gifts that square us off every year. Thank you to a great, great Community. We are happy to operate in a Community that is wealthy in its charitable giving.

The Foundation Shelters is an act of Faith

I WAS A STRANGER AND YOU TOOK ME IN