

Hope House of McAlester, Inc



Providing a Christ-focused, nurturing environment to empower women and their children to become productive, self-sufficient, contributing members of their community

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Flashback

2015 was a year full of growth and improvement for Hope House! We are able to do this with your help, our amazing partners! Your partnership helps provide shelter, food, transportation, individual case management, and in house groups. Our fellow community agencies and volunteers assisted with providing our residents with nutrition classes, exercise classes and volunteer opportunities.



Our 2015 volunteer program exploded with 97 volunteers!

XTO Energy removed carpet out of the bedrooms

Rodney Kelley and staff laid new tile

Christian Motorcycle Association fixed ballasts in our lights and re-tiled our bathtub

Miller Glass Company put in new front doors

Hope House had 2 bedrooms "adopted" and decorated by Barbara Monto and Amy Giardrone.



The Lord has allowed us to also expand! Generous support from a donor, Hope House has begun a "Pay it Forward" program for our residents, which assists with the cost of identifications and birth certificates in order to help the ladies obtain employment and housing sooner!

*Hope House provided shelter to
87 women and 41 children in 2015!
36% gained employment
72% of families secured housing*

We will be moving to electronic newsletters to help cut cost, please send us your email address so we can keep you updated.



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www.hopehouseinc.com

♥ Show the Love ♥

"I have worked with people from all walks of life- adults and children. I am always so inspired by the willingness to learn and change that most people have. The genuine desire to move forward in a positive way really gives me the initiative to support these women in their life journeys".

Joyce Rittenhouse, one of our "Givers of Knowledge", is showing Hope House the love! She has volunteered to teach our Empowering Women- Changing Lives group and is making a huge difference in the lives of the women and families we serve. The goal for this program is to help our residents learn how to love themselves through learning life skills with the "Tackling Tough Skills Curriculum" which focuses improving self-esteem and teaching job readiness.

"There are many really wonderful people who pass through the house that just need a hand to get back up and make their positive mark on this world. They are why I choose to volunteer here." We are so grateful Joyce is able to spend time connecting with the women and families who stay here. Everyone needs support and connections with others in order to experience a sense of belonging. Joyce is able to give by being a positive example and friend. She shared Empowering Women- Changing Lives, "has come to mean giving the women the information they feel is critical to get them back into the world functioning at their 100% capacity. Life skills, interpersonal skills, and many other skills needed to change their world to be positive influences are what we've come to focus on."

Joyce has made a connection and how these women have touched her life is special. "I am, daily grateful for all these women bring to me and so touched by their gratitude each time I am in the house. The women all have something different to offer and every meeting we have teaches me more about the world, myself, and the gifts we all have to share."

Each of us are people of worth and value! Thank you Joyce for reminding our ladies and families that they are too! Hope House is clearly blessed to have Joyce as a volunteer! Our ladies are receiving priceless knowledge, fellowship, love and support.

How to get involved

Make an Impression
Driver to Success
Party People
Giver of Knowledge

If you have a gift or skill and you would like to share it for success, visit www.hopehouseinc.com or call 918-423-4673. Hope House could not do it without our volunteers! Join us today to make the lives of our women and children beautiful.



*Whenever you feel
unloved, unimportant,
or insecure, remember to
whom you belong.*

Ephesians 2:19-22

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