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HOUSE OF HIS CREATION

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR UPDATE



“EXPANDING”...

**Genesis 12:1 Now the Lord said to Abram,
“Go forth from your country,
And from your relatives
And from your father’s house,
To the land which I will show you;**

We are EXPANDING the ministry of House of His Creation and stepping out in faith. We have been walking alongside women rescued from sexual exploitation for a number of years now and have helped open homes focused on those rescued from sexual exploitation. It is a horrible crisis in this world and there is NEED for more people to step forward and help restore lives.

In 2020 the decision was made to grow HoHC with two steps in mind. The first step was to sell the property in north Lititz and establish the maternity program of House of His Creation in a better location so the women could be better served in a community setting. That was accomplished in February of 2021.

Step two is establishing a therapeutic farm and family living environment to serve minors rescued from sexual exploitation. We have seen the trauma that years of abuse inflicts on victims. While there are a growing number of organizations providing safe housing for adult victims, there is a need for safe housing for minors rescued from sexual exploitation. We have prayerfully been exploring this calling and have not only felt that we are being called to open a new program, but that this program will be in a different state...

We have spent the better portion of the last 18 months researching locations that have a need for housing programs for minors and looking at the logistics of being a multi-state organization. We are calling the new housing program **685** (this is in reference to **Psalms 68:5** and the first part of verse 6) “A father of the fatherless and a judge and protector of the widows, Is God in His holy habitation. God makes a home for the lonely”

How do we get there? To start the Lititz House will need **NEW** house parents. We firmly believe that the next house parents live in Central Pennsylvania. After house parents have been identified, the Neff family will move to the new location to start the process of becoming certified to work with minors and establishing the ministry in a new state.

The bonus of the past two years is how versed we are at having virtual meetings and maintaining the organization. We are confident in the decision to multiply locations and staff.

The statistics on sexually exploited minors are heartbreaking. It is estimated that every day 13,000 minors are rescued, conversely there are 300-600 beds specifically for these victims. Programs are starting to open around the US to address this deficit of safe housing. Our goal is to have 8 beds available, for young women rescued from sexual exploitation, by Christmas of 2022.

We will be launching our monthly donor campaign for 2022. For monthly commitments of \$25.00 you will receive an HOHC t-shirt, monthly commitments of \$50.00 or more per month you will receive an HoHC Yeti tumbler and \$75.00 or more per month will receive a t-shirt and a tumbler. We hope to FRIENDRAISE for this growth! Please share this with your friends, small groups, churches and businesses. We are looking to greatly increase financial support in order to launch the **685** program successfully!

Regards,
Matthew Neff



2021 FALL | 2022 EXPANSION & JOB OPENINGS

Join
our
team!



**Ever considered being
houseparents or know a couple who
has?**

**We are looking for Houseparents and
Weekend Relief for our Lititz maternity
home.**

**Go to our News page for
details, job descriptions and application.**

<https://hohc.org/news>

BOARD MEMBERS

This year we said goodbye to two faithful board members Jim & Bryan. Thank you for your time, your prayers and your insight! We appreciate and value you both!



Jim Snyder



Bryan Monroe

Welcome New Board Members



Andy Kline



Kristen Martin



Cassandra Garvins

Continuing Board Members



Amy Horst



Stephanie Greiner

DO YOU GIVE MONTHLY?



We want to honor current monthly givers and invite others to commit to monthly giving. Starting in January 2022, anyone committed to a monthly gift of at least \$25.00 will receive an HoHC T-shirt. Those who commit \$50.00 or more, will get an HoHC Logo Yeti tumbler and anyone giving \$75.00 or more monthly will receive both the T-shirt and a Yeti tumbler.

Reminder if you use Amazon for purchases, we are part of AmazonSmile! We also have an ongoing needs list on our website and an Amazon Wish List!

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<https://hohc.org/get-involved/our-needs>

CLIENT CARE REPORT

Collaboration is key!

In May of this year, we welcomed our first resident into the "Lititz House." Shortly after, we welcomed two more young women. In this time we were able to offer each of these women a safe place to be while exploring next steps in their lives which included rebuilding familial ties.

During their time with us, we had an outpouring of wonderful volunteers who offered their time and skills making it a fun summer/fall. We are thankful for the cooking classes, the maternity photoshoot, the baby shower, and so much more!

As 2021 is coming to an end, we are closing in on completing our Parenting Journey class that was offered to our residents as well as other moms in the community at our neighboring church, St. Lukes. The class digs deep into the personal stories of each participant as they reflect on past and present factors that affect the way they parent.

This isn't a easy task to do as most times it brings up memories and feelings of traumatic situations that they just want to forget. However, putting in the work equals self-healing and an opportunity to do things differently.

As we move forward in our mission and look at expanding, we are excited to welcome the next set of women into the home as well as a new set of House Parents.

We are so thankful to be able to connect with the many local agencies as a resource to assist in the well-being of the women we serve. Collaboration is key!



Michelle Gibbs, Lititz House
Program Director



thank you

Thank you for giving me a place of certainty and rest in a time of panic and chaos for me. Thank you for not judgin me but offering support and guidance. Thank you for allowing me to have my own version of rest and help at the time. Thank you for making me feel welcome. Thank you for helping and impacting in more ways than you know.

-Abby & Daughter from this summer

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