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OF THE PEE DEE

Hope In Action

The House of Hope's Newsletter
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SMILING FACES BEAUTIFUL PLACES

True in South Carolina and the House of Hope

Thank you for voting us BEST Nonprofit of the Pee Dee

Why do we care that our facilities are beautiful? Does it even matter that we want to offer smiling faces? For people that have been treated like "less" in the community, we want them to know that they are more than they've been told. We want to show them that they are worth the best that we can offer from a clean, bright facility to a beautiful home and people that genuinely care about them! Beautiful Spaces and Smiling Faces!

Enjoy this edition as we look at the beauty of our facility and the new smiling faces of the ministry.

WHO IS NEW at the House of Hope

MICHELLE HUMPHREY/ CHIEF FINANCE OFFICER

After 33 years in governmental accounting positions, I began to feel the need to close that chapter in my life, and move more into Kingdom work. I diligently sought God's Face concerning this desire and soon discovered the CFO position at the House of Hope was open. In the early hours before daybreak, I whispered a prayer, submitted my resume, and at the end of two weeks, the position was mine! July 6, 2022, was my first day of this new adventure. I already feel at home with the staff and look forward to the great things the Lord as in store for this ministry. "

Michelle lives in Florence with her husband Howard. They have two sons, Jonathan and Joshua. All are members of Palmetto Street Church of God, where Michelle has served as pianist for the past 30 years. "I am so excited that the Lord graciously opened this door of opportunity for me. I truly believe the Word of God and Proverbs 3: 6 (NKJV) states "In all thy ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your paths."

ROSELIND HUGHES/ DIRECTOR COURTNEY MCGINNIS GRAHAM COMMUNITY SHELTER

As director of Courtney McGinnis Graham Community Shelter I have been entrusted with providing a clean, safe and welcoming environment for guests experiencing homelessness. I am charged with maintaining and developing a professional team to assist our guests during a difficult time of transition in their lives.

I'm really looking forward to "meeting each guest where they are", allowing God's love and compassion to flow from me to them, and being a positive impact in their lives.

I pray that Jesus Christ, the God of glory, make them intelligent and discerning in knowing him personally, their eyes focused and clear, so that they can see exactly what it is He is calling them to do, grasp the greatness of this glorious way of life he has for his followers, the extravagance of His work in us who trust him... ~Ephesians 1:18

CASEY LENAHAN/ DIRECTOR OF MEN AND RESIDENT BEE KEEPER

If you've followed the House of Hope for any length of time, you probably already know Casey and his extraordinary transformation from prison to Child of God! He continues to grow and spread his wings, becoming the Director of Men, buying a house, and beginning his ministry of bees! While Casey was in prison, he learned of the power of caring for living things, from dogs to bees. He has decided to offer bee keeping as an opportunity for people struggling with PTSD to find a new outlet for their struggle.

Did you notice the tiny bees buzzing about our newsletter? That's because we are excited to announce our bee keeping and honey ministry. The fun fringe benefit of Casey's new ministry is next year we will begin selling HONEY! Keep your eyes out for your opportunity to buy locally made honey and support House of Hope!

What's The Buzzzzzz?

We asked and you answered. Thank you for all the name submissions.

....With an overwhelming vote for

"HOPE HONEY"

CASEA DAVID/ DIRECTOR OF HOPE VILLAGE

My roots were planted here 35 years ago in Florence, SC and there's no other place I'd rather be. As the new HOPE Village Director, I am so excited to see what the Lord is doing here. I am a product of God's saving grace. Once finding myself in a desperate situation grasping for the slightest glimpse of hope, I know the magnitude of how a program like HOPE Village can change the course of a life for the tiny home resident. Having experienced similar hardships, I am able to pair my peer support specialist training, along with my own experiences. Through this combination I am a unique blend of skilled support, compassionate peer, and example of how an opportunity such as the one offered by this ministry can be an open door to HOPE that will ignite change in our residents and generations to follow.

Outside of being the HOPE Village Director, I am a mama of two precious children and have a love for music. Each week, I lead worship at Celebrate Recovery here in Florence. My passion to help other people find and remain in long term recovery is interwoven in both my personal and professional life. I'm channeling my passion into creating a program that will provide individualized support, meeting the specific needs of each family that resides in our HOPE Village community. My goal is to be a champion and advocate for their spiritual, mental, emotional, physical, and vocational needs so that they can become who they were always meant to be. I want these families to live in the same promise of restoration that I have found as the Lord speaks in Joel 2:25 "And I will restore to you the years that locus have eaten."

JENNA EDWARDS DEVELOPMENT MANAGER

After teaching in the public school sector for ten years, I felt the calling to pursue a career in a nonprofit. My mission field, just as most other educators see it, was the children I taught; now, my mission has shifted to helping the homeless. I struggled with the decision to stop teaching. Prayer, along with the support of family and friends, helped tremendously. My husband, Billy and I have five children. We attend Evergreen Baptist Church where we teach the College and Career Sunday School class, and he serves as a deacon. I am thrilled to be helping the House of Hope of the Pee Dee on its mission to help the homeless by working in the development department.

*We are a Christ-centered community providing hope by serving the needs of men, women and children facing homelessness.

Volunteers for Hope

Sign up to be a volunteer
www.hofh.org/volunteer

NAME:_____
ADDRESS:_____
_____
PHONE NUMBER:_____
EMAIL ADDRESS:_____@_____

YES, I/We would like to support The House of Hope and help the homeless.
I/We would like to contribute:

- ❑ $500.00 will provide shelter for five residents for one month
- ❑ $200.00 will provide transportation for eight residents for one month
- ❑ $100.00 will provide cleaning supplies and personal items for one month
- ❑ $_____ Other
- ❑ My company will match my gift.
- ❑ **I would like to be a LIGHT OF HOPE monthly giver.**
  I would like my gift drafted on
  - ❑ 1st or ❑ 15th of each month.
  - ❑ Use my credit card information below.
  - ❑ Use my voided check enclosed.

Payment by: ❑ Check to House of Hope ❑ Visa /MasterCard ❑ Discover
Card #_____
Exp. Date_____ 3 Digit Security Code_____
Name as it appears on the card:_____
Signature:_____
To donate online visit www.hofh.org. Or Text "Homeless" to 73256 for text giving

CHRIS LEWIS/ DIRECTOR OF SECURITY

Chris joined the House of Hope team in October of 2020 working at the Courtney McGinnis Graham Community Shelter as a Case Manager. But with his degree in Criminal Justice, Counseling and Administration, it made perfect sense that he would become the head of security for HOPE Village and the rest of the House of Hope properties.

Personally, Chris was born and raised in Florence, graduating from Wilson High School in 1995 and then going on to college. He received his undergraduate degree from University of South Carolina and his Masters from Webster University. He is married to his beautiful wife Chrystal and they have FIVE terrific children (four girls and one boy)!

He says "My family introduced me community service at a young age, and it's a trait that we are making a priority with our children. I have been blessed to work at some wonderful places, but no place as gratifying and transformative as the House of Hope. I love that everyone has a story and they are open to share it at the drop of a hat!"

HOPE VILLAGE WELCOMED IT'S FIRST RESIDENTS IN JUNE! TO GOD BE THE GLORY!

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