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"HEART OF HOPE IS THE MOST POWERFUL THING THAT YOU HAVE EVER SEEN. TO ME IT FEELS LIKE A HOME. THEY TEACH YOU EVERYTHING TO GET READY TO BE A MOM. AT HEART OF HOPE YOU HAVE EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO BE SUCCESSFUL. I DISCHARGED IN THE SUMMER, AND I KNOW NOW MORE THAN EVER, I DON'T KNOW WHERE I WOULD BE TODAY WITHOUT MY FAMILY AT HEART OF HOPE."



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annual report & information packet for 2021

A NOTE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

"Then she called the name of the Lord who spoke to her, "You are God who sees", for she said, "have I not even here [in the wilderness] remained alive after seeing Him [Who sees me with understanding and compassion]?

This scripture found in Genesis 16:13 underscores each one of our moms' experiences as they walk through the wilderness of their unplanned pregnancies. They often cannot see the sun shining for the thickness of the trees, overshadowing them in shame, guilt, anxiety, fear, and hopelessness. But God.

This year we have witnessed the God factor repeatedly. The Godfactor is the glue that binds everything and everyone together. See, since our young women come from incomprehensible trauma and abusive relationships, it is common for them to run away, fight, have difficulty resting in a quiet environment and most of all, have a desire to trust...anyone. We know this on day one. Knowing this does not affect our commitment to love, pursue and keep on loving and pursuing. Their children's lives depend on it. Their lives depend on it. After all, that is what God does every day with you and me.

Success means different things to different people. If you are a numbers person, being a refuge to 5 families (9 moms/babies) for a total of 2113 nights this year sounds like success. And it is.

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Destiny, a resident in our

Aftercare Home, agreed to a rigorous budget, and paid

off her car this year!

If you are an emotionally driven person, success looks like being the arms holding the newborn son of a crying mommy who must walk just 30 yards to our onsite classroom to take a semester final. And it is! Especially knowing this mommy's fear of her child being taken away because of her own trauma. If you love seeing the lost saved, and you lead a young mom in a prayer of salvation because she wants Jesus to be her Lord and Savior, that looks like success. Oh, and IT IS!

Thank you for your faithfulness and devotion to the Lord, realized through your love and care to our families. Truly, Truly, God has revealed to our moms He is the God who sees them. In the quiet moments when He is speaking to our moms His desires for their present and future, they hear and obey.

Joyfully serving,

Jodi Burns

Jodi Burns, Executive Director



OUR MISSION

- To meet the physical, emotional, and spiritual needs of young ladies facing a crisis pregnancy by walking beside them as they decide whether to parent or to place for adoption.
- To help them set career goals by instituting a plan of action.
- To commit to aftercare for those who are not ready or able to return to their former life.

2021 MOMS AND CHILDREN SERVICES

All free of charge

- Maternity/Aftercare Home 5
- Babies served 4
- Provided **2,113** nights of housing care (average of 234 nights per mom/baby)
- Provided 1,155 hours of Life Skill classes, counseling, coaching, prenatal care, self-care, adoption education, pregnancy care, parenting, family healing, newborn care, sewing, anger management, breastfeeding, nutrition, meal planning and cooking, home care AND MORE!
- Heart of Hope Academy, est 2000 14 moms provided with pregnancy & parenting education, counseling, bible study and community via online.

COMMUNITY SUPPORT AND VOLUNTEER NUMBERS

• Individual Volunteer Hours – 1,415

OPPORTUNITIES FOR INVOLVEMENT

Individuals and Groups:

- Prayer (Prayer Chapel on campus) -Monday morning at 9:30am – 10:30 for our residents, home, staff and community
- Liaison Church liaison, presentation help, assist in mission fairs
- Volunteers assist in our Education Dept. with our residential and non-residential program; administrative tasks; craft activities; mentors
- Event Volunteers LifeCycle Bike Benefit 6-4-21; Golf Classic 9-20-21
- Be an Event Sponsor Contact jodi@heartofhopeministry.com
- Host a supply drive office supplies, cleaning supplies, paper goods, groceries, or diapers
- Church Service Groups vegetable and garden beds, cleaning, event set-up/break-down
- Invite us to share with your Church, SS class or community group

Please contact Debbie Dodd at debbiem@heartofhopeministry.com

FINANCES

Our year is January 1 – December 31, 2021 Total Income: \$547,990 Total Expenses: \$407,668

Revenue includes a \$100,000 gift received in December from a family foundation.



It is All About Jesus! We are thankful for our Church Community.



Foundation + Private Grants

• Student (LSUS, Grambling) Hours - 660