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Hope House News

SUMMER 2009



Upcoming Events to Benefit Hope House

- ▶ Ongoing
Maxwell's Grill
Downtown Lee's Summit
Tell them you're a Hope House supporter and get a VIP Charity Card. 10% of your bill comes to Hope House.
- ▶ Wednesday, September 16
It's a Hope Thing
Hall's Private Shopping Event
Country Club Plaza
10% of proceeds will benefit our Capital Campaign, *Building Hope*.
- ▶ Thursday, September 24
These Boots Were Made for Walkin'
Noel's Fine Gifts - Mission Farms
Get 20% off all day long. 10% of proceeds will be donated to Hope House.
- ▶ Sunday, November 1
Howlin' for Hope
Howl at the Moon, P&L District
This Hope House event features dueling pianos, lots of crowd participation and a live auction. 100% of proceeds benefit our Capital Campaign, *Building Hope*.

HOPE & ALL THAT
Jazz
A BENEFIT FOR HOPE HOUSE

Go GREEN for GOOD
Rewear the dress!

For more details, visit www.hopehouse.net

F Saturday, August 22, 2009

or our black tie gala, *Hope & All That Jazz*, the Downtown Marriott becomes New Orleans! Soak in the old world atmosphere while you bid on an incredible selection of silent auction items, enjoy cocktails and listen to the gospel choir Rhema.



A lavish dinner and program follows. The evening ends on a high note with a live auction and jammin' jazz and blues performed by Grand Marquis! An amazing way to spend the evening and help raise funds for Hope House.

A new twist this year features the "Rewear the Dress" campaign in which we're encouraging you ladies to rewear a dress you've already been seen in, and donate what you would have spent on a dress to Hope House during the live auction!

Tickets and sponsorships are available. Tickets are \$200 and must be purchased in advance at www.hopehouse.net. For sponsorships, please call Libby at 816-257-9334.



Many thanks to our Jazz Committee!

Roberta Abramson
Eliene Blundell
Susie Caisley
Cloene Davis
Deanna & Greg Graves
Gretchen Hicks
Nicky Staats

Keeper of the Dream Product Line



Sovereign Hearts, a designer of inspirational fashion and gift products, has created an exclusive design inspired by the Hope House mission. The design is at the center of the Keeper of the Dream line of products which will be sold by area retailers. Keeper of the Dream will help to raise funds and awareness for Hope House while it generates increased visibility for the retailers that join in the collaboration.

The exclusive Hope House design features a lotus flower. The lotus was chosen because it is a universal symbol of awakening and rebirth, of reaching to the light from the darkness; exactly the message that Hope House seeks to inspire within those we serve.

All of the Keeper of the Dream products must meet Sovereign Hearts' criteria of using sustainable materials and production processes, must be ethically made and fairly traded, and are of a high quality with a long expected life.

To find out more about the Keeper of the Dream product line, please visit www.shophopehouse.com.



Need to find counseling? A nursing home? Job training? A food pantry? Veteran services? Don't waste valuable time trying to find the right resource. By simply dialing 2-1-1 on your phone, you can make just one call to find or give help. United Way 2-1-1 is an easy-to-remember central phone number connecting people with available community resources and volunteer opportunities. You'll reach a trained, caring professional 24/7. All for free, all confidential.

United Way 2-1-1 helps Hope House by giving our clients access to resources we don't have. They also help when our resources are already stretched to the limit. The fact that they're 24/7 (like Hope House) means our clients can get the help they need anytime day or night.

United Way Campaign Time is Almost Here

Hope House is a member agency of United Way. Their annual campaign gets started in August. You are encouraged to support the United Way campaign, which benefits Hope House and more than 150 other community organizations.

Donors who wish to designate all or part of their gift to a specific organization may do so through the United Way Donor Choice program.

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Local Companies Give Their Hands and Hearts to Hope House

In the last several months, Hope House has been overwhelmed by the generosity of local companies who sent volunteer groups to our Independence location to help with renovations. If your company has a group that would be interested in volunteering at Hope House, please contact Gretchen at 816-257-9342 or gchicks@hopehouse.net.

Comcast



Comcast brought a huge crew of volunteers to work on landscaping and to pack up our clothing closet to prepare it for renovation.

Got Wood?



Keith Mader, owner of Got Wood? refinished benches, patio tables and a play set.
www.kcgotwood.com

Home Depot



A crew from the 8 Jackson County Home Depots painted our Daycare Center and Therapy Building, plus made repairs to our Meditation Fountain (shown above at right).

Jeff



Retired surgeon Jeff (no, that's not a typo...) has a 5 year plan for our landscape that will put beauty within eyesight from every window.

Walton Construction

The employees of Walton Construction took on an Extreme Makeover of our clothing closet, Hope Street Boutique. The value of the makeover is estimated at \$100,000.



Before



After





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BUILDING HOPE

Our Vision

To meet the increasing number and needs of victims of domestic violence; to provide a safe, secure living environment; and to increase our capacity to collaborate with community partners.

- 1,341 women and children resided at Hope House last year. All need a healthy, safe environment.
- There are currently twice as many clinicians as there are offices for them to provide services. Staff notes indicate, "Clients may be turned away not because we don't have a clinician, but because we have no space in which to see them."
- Without comprehensive services at one location, multiple visits must be made to multiple facilities to meet a client's physical, emotional and psychological needs.

Our Request

Nearly 5 years ago, Hope House embarked on a \$5 million capital campaign for our Independence facilities that will fund new construction, renovation projects and operating reserves, which have been strained in the past 12 months as public funding has dwindled.

The J.E. & L.E. Mabee Foundation in Tulsa, Oklahoma has awarded us a \$525,000 grant... provided an additional \$1.4 million in support of the campaign is raised by January 1, 2010. Please join us in bringing \$525,000 into our community by providing a gift to help us meet the Mabee challenge. State of Missouri tax credits are available for gifts of \$100 or more. You can provide a gift online at hopehouse.net or call Nancy at 816.257.9328. Regular monthly giving is also available.

The Building Hope Capital Campaign 2005-2010

Construction		\$4,530,000
Therapy Center <i>new construction</i>	\$2,250,000	
Shelter Building <i>new construction + renovation</i>	\$990,000	
Family Services Building <i>new playground & equipment</i>	\$430,000	
Court & Legal Services Building <i>renovation + parking</i>	\$445,000	
Community Partnership Building <i>renovations</i>	\$415,000	
Enhanced Security Technology & Equipment		\$20,000
Cash Reserves		\$400,000
Campaign Costs (1% of total costs)		\$50,000
	Grand Total:	\$5,000,000