Share the Warmth of Hillsdale County

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A NOTE FROM OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, PENNY MYERS:

Wow, what a busy month. In the off season I try to stay connected with our guests as much as possible. This summer there has been one that I have been connecting with on a more personal level. I won't mention her name to protect her identity. She has had a difficult summer suffering with high anxiety and depression. Sometimes because of her own poor choices. But still, in need of some intervention. Being homeless or unhoused, is not easy especially when you're trying to make changes in your life, and you're still unhoused with no income.

There are so many roadblocks. She has struggled with drug addiction for many years and the time has come for some major changes. So, rehab is inevitable with the hope of a sober living program. Unfortunately, but not unusual, the sober living program is not available currently. This is the problem for a lot of people that have a desire to make changes in their life.

There are not enough resources. I know it sounds like a broken record, but it is a huge problem. She has successfully completed the rehab program and is now waiting for the next step. She is currently in a safe place and working on the program. Hopefully she will have the fortitude to stick with it and find the help that is needed.

We just pulled off our fourth annual Golf Scramble. I can't thank all of you who participated enough. I would like to thank Nancy at Mill Race Golf Course for her generous donation to us. She is a gem. We raised around \$4,000.00 and we are so grateful for that.

I will be going on a much-needed vacation with my daughter at the end of the month. YAY! When I return, we will be working diligently on transforming the church building back into a Warming Center so it will be ready for **volunteer orientation on October 14th at 1:00 PM.**

I hope to see you there.

Sincerest Regards,

Penny Myers, Executive Director





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TAX DEDUCTION:

DID you know that STW is a 501(c)(3) Non-Profit Organization. Therefore, your donations qualify as **Tax Deductible**.

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STW ANNUAL FUND RAISER / GOLF OUTING RESULTS









STW NEEDS to Start our season:

- Laundry Soap
- Dryer Sheets
- Bleach
- Dish Soap
- Formula 409 Cleaner
- Heavy Duty Trash bags
- 13 Gal and 33 Gal
- Heave Duty Paper plates
- Heavy duty plasticware
- 9 oz paper cups
- Socks
- Men's new white T-Shirts, long johns, & Boxers Sm, Med, Lg, XL, XXL
- Women's new underwear S, M, Lg, LX and XXL

Where to donate:

Sozo Church building, 7 S Manning (alley between in The Tree of Health and the Ice Cream Store.

Please contact Penny at 517-499-8186 to schedule a drop off time.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTINITIES

Share the Warmth of Hillsdale County will be open every night November 1st thru April 1st from 6 PM to 9 AM to those seeking a warm, safe place to escape from the cold. The Emergency Warming Center is located at 7 S. Manning St (Old Wilson Hall) in downtown Hillsdale. There are many different ways to volunteer:

- * Shift volunteers
- * meal prep
- * housekeeping,
- occasional transportation of guests to appointments

Volunteer orientation is October 14th at 1:00 PM at the Sozo Church Thank you to all those who participated in or volunteered to assist in the Annual Golf Outing. Thanks to everyone's generosity, we were able to raise over \$4,000 for STW.

Hole Sponsors:

- Citgo (Watkins Oil Co)
- County National Bank
- Hillsdale County Republicans
- Eric & Corinna Lewis
- Medwest Associates
- Metal Technologies (MTI)
- Family of Joseph Prasser
- PM Doors LLC
- John & Kenette Spratt

Wall Sponsors:

• Spratt's Trading Post

Donations supplied by:

- Mill Race Golf Course
- Market House
- Hillsdale Filling Station
- Family Farm and Home
- Home Depot
- Sand lake Party Store
- Olivia's Chop House
- Johnny T's
- El Cerritos
- Wal-Mart
- The Hunt Club
- Checker Records
- All of our Golfers
- D's Creations...

Thank you for buying cupcakes. She was able to raise \$500

