



HAWTHORN HILL

JULY 2018

Message from the Executive Director Coming Together for Families

Thanks to the generosity of our many supporters and friends, we were able to provide emergency shelter and supportive housing for 119 homeless families with children during 2017. Of the 456 individuals served, 67% were children. That's a total of 304 children that needed help from Hawthorn Hill so that they had a place they could call home whether their "home" was a temporary stay at New Directions Shelter or a longer term (2 to 4 years) stay in one of our The Home Connection properties.

It is becoming more of an issue for many families to afford housing. This lack of affordable housing in central Iowa is approaching crisis levels. We do not foresee any relief for families in the near future in regard to an increase in housing being developed that is affordable for families that are struggling economically.

We know our most important work with the families we serve, in addition to helping them acquire housing they can afford, is to help them increase their incomes so that they can have enough money for clean and safe housing. In 2017, the families we served in The Home Connection that completed the program increased their monthly household income by \$1,233 or 119%. We also assisted 42% of our New Directions Shelter families with increasing their income by 10% or more, and 80% of the adults that looked for employment found a job while staying at the shelter.

Milestone for Hawthorn Hill

In January, we finalized the long-term partnership with Bidwell Riverside Center. The partnership will make both organizations stronger and assist both with providing much needed services for those in need for many years to come. The partnership was finalized with the creation of a new organization called BRC-HH. The Board members for Hawthorn Hill also serve on the BRC-HH and Bidwell Riverside Center Boards or in other words, the Board members for all three organizations are the same. In effect, we combined the Hawthorn Hill and Bidwell Riverside Boards. I have the great privilege to serve as Executive Director for all three organizations.

Thank you so much for all you do to support our mission of helping families with children acquire permanent housing and achieve a level of financial independence.

Sincerely,

Tim Shanahan



HAWTHORN HILL'S MISSION

To establish and operate housing programs for homeless families with children that help them obtain permanent housing and to provide services to help families achieve economic self-sufficiency.

Hawthorn Hill Board of Directors

Phyllis Tinker
President

Brian Hughes
Vice-President

Jenny Smith
Treasurer

Jill Kempkes
Secretary

Zack Feser
Duncan Gallagher
Gina Graham
Rev. Dr. Heecheon Jeon

Julie Kellner
Erika Lippincott
Julie McLean

Kevin Pothoven, MD
Nick Roby

Linda Rullan
Sara Schuler
Andraya Stender
David Tank
Bret Thies
Stella Vicanovic
Martha Ward
Dee Ann Wilson

Hawthorn Hill Staff

Tim Shanahan
Executive Director
email: Tim@hawthorn-hill.org

Sergio Hernandez
The Home Connection
Operations Manager
email: Sergio@hawthorn-hill.org

Kiana Hines
New Directions Shelter
Operations Manager
email: Kiana@hawthorn-hill.org

Melanie Wright
Administrative Assistant
email: Melanie@hawthorn-hill.org



*Chanel speaking
at Hawthorn
Hill's Art & More
for Shelter event
in April 2018*

Finding Financial Independence through Career in Health Services

Chanel began her relationship with Hawthorn Hill in August of 2015. At that time, she was working at the YMCA part time and also working the night shift at a nursing home in West Des Moines. She had 3 small children; twins just shy of 1 year old and her older son had just turned 4 years old.

Chanel was noticed by a coworker at the YMCA as being a hard worker, however, she also noticed she was struggling to make ends meet and keep her head above water. Chanel was trying to juggle 2 jobs, 3 kids as a single mother and she had no vehicle. She was often walking to and from her grandmother's house in the evening to drop the kids off so she could work. Chanel's coworker was familiar with a program through her church, Holy Trinity, which would help house families in crisis.

The Holy Trinity PATCH program accepted Chanel's family into the program. Chanel received case management services through the Operations Manager at New Directions Shelter and quickly began working on her life goals. The PATCH program is designed to pay a family's rent and utilities for up to 6 months while they get back on their feet. While in the PATCH program, Chanel worked on improving her credit score, starting the process to get back into school at DMACC and purchased a vehicle. Due to the progress Chanel made while in the PATCH program, she was referred to The Home Connection program at the end of her 6 months with the PATCH program.

Since entering The Home Connection program in January 2016, Chanel has finished her course work at DMACC and is currently enrolled in the Surgical Technician program at Mercy College of Health Sciences. Chanel utilizes the child development center at Bidwell Riverside for childcare for the twins while she works and attends classes. Chanel continues to be a hard worker and is currently working on a transition plan out of the Home Connection program into her own market rate housing. She is exploring her options to purchase her first home once she completes school this summer and starts her career in the medical field. Although Chanel has faced many obstacles over the last several years, she has continued to push forward to achieve her goals.

We would like to thank our 2018 Art & More for Shelter sponsors:

Claude Monet Sponsorship

- Nationwide
- West Bend Community Foundations' Independent Agents' Fund

Vincent Van Gogh Sponsorship

- American Equity Investment Life Insurance Company
- Davis Brown Law Firm
- Great Western Bank

Edward Hopper Sponsorship

- Bankers Trust
- Elite Eye Care
- LMC Insurance & Risk Management
- Raccoon Valley Partners
- RSM US LLP
- Ryan Staiert Interior Design
- SHYFT Collective
- Ten Corp Inc.
- Tofftech Consulting, Inc.

9th Annual Art & More for Shelter Fundraising Event a Success!

Hawthorn Hill held its 9th annual Art & More for Shelter event on April 26th at West End Architectural Salvage in Des Moines. The event raised over \$40,000 to benefit Hawthorn Hill's New Directions Shelter and The Home Connection programs. This event not only raises funds for our services for homeless families but also it's an opportunity to advocate the necessity of supportive services and truly affordable housing for homeless families with children in central Iowa.

Two families currently being served by Hawthorn Hill spoke at the event and offered their testimonials concerning facing homelessness and working towards financial independence. Super volunteer Arlene Dabill was presented Hawthorn Hill's 2018 Above and Beyond Volunteer Award for her valuable volunteer services and the Community Foundation of Greater Des Moines was awarded the Friend and Funding Partner Award. Kristi Knous, Angela Dethlefs-Trettin and Sally Boeckholt from the Community Foundation accepted the award.



Opening Doors Award Ceremony

On November 15, Hawthorn Hill had two individuals recognized at the annual Opening Doors celebration. Opening Doors is an annual celebration that acknowledges the difficult journey from homelessness to hope and awards selected recipients for their achievements. Two Hawthorn Hill program participants were awarded an Opening Doors family award: Juanita, a participant in The Home Connection program, and Amie, a New Directions Shelter and The Home Connection program participant. Both women and their families exemplify the positive change that can be made with the proper resources and determination.

The following are the stories of Juanita and Amie:

Juanita moved to Des Moines from Texas with two of her children, escaping some bad influences and seeking a new start. She started the 5-step residential chemical dependency treatment program at the House of Mercy, and upon successful completion of that, joined The Home Connection program to start the next phase of her journey. With the increased stability of a home, Juanita began to set plans for herself. She enrolled in the social work program at DMACC, and worked waiting tables part-time while also caring for her children. After completing the DMACC program, she moved on to the curriculum at Grandview University to become a chemical dependency counselor, and received her Bachelor's degree in social work in May 2017, and soon after was employed full time as a chemical dependency counselor at Bridges of Iowa.



Juanita and her Case Manager Sergio Hernandez

Amie came to New Directions Shelter just after the birth of her daughter, when Child Protective Services deemed their home environment unsuitable. Amie put in a lot of work during her time at the shelter to cooperate fully with CPS, found affordable childcare services for her daughter, and successfully secured rental assistance to move into her own apartment. She soon found a job working at Caribou Coffee, using the bus system to take her child to daycare and get to work every day. She was later accepted into The Home Connection Program, which offers permanent supportive housing and case management for families transitioning out of homelessness, and moved into a house, found a position with Bidwell Riverside Center in the food pantry, and purchased a car. Amie has been excelling in her job as shift supervisor in the pantry, and has been focusing on paying off debts and budgeting.



Amie and her Case Manager Kelsie Pinegar

Photo of Property
E. 16th Court



A Multi-Family Property for The Home Connection Program!

During April 2018, we accepted our first family into our newest property for The Home Connection program. The property is located on E.16th Court, Des Moines. The originally derelict property was purchased in 2016 and was a 6-plex with four 1-bedroom and 2 studio apartments. The property was completely renovated and converted into three 2-bedroom apartments. With the support of Polk County Housing Trust Fund, Great Western Bank and many donors and supporters we made this property a showcase for the neighborhood!

BRC-HH

It's official!

The Management Services Organization (MSO) binding Bidwell Riverside Center and Hawthorn Hill into a mutually beneficial long-term partnership is now in place. Currently, the name of the organization is BRC-HH, but will probably be changed at a later date to better reflect the work of Bidwell and Hawthorn Hill. The two organizations have been partnering since November 2015, cost-sharing the Executive Director, and more recently, a Development & Public Relations Director. Several board members had been serving on both Hawthorn Hill and Bidwell boards for some time, planning for a seamless transition to a legal partnership.

Hawthorn Hill and Bidwell Riverside Center have a lot in common. Both organizations focus on life-changing assistance to homeless and underprivileged individuals and families. Both also share roots with the United Methodist Church as well as being United Way of Central Iowa partner agencies. To learn more about Bidwell Riverside Center, and the important services it provides, please visit www.bidwellriverside.org.

An MSO is a nonprofit, 501 C-3 organization that exists to provide management and administrative services to multiple organizations. The creation of the MSO enhances both organizations' financial stability and expand capacity. Hawthorn Hill and Bidwell will each pay their share of the MSO expenses, and continue to operate financially independent of the other with the exception of shared administration expenses. Both will continue to have their own unique identities and programs.

Weekend Meal Donations

Sponsoring a healthy, child-friendly, weekend meal is a great way to help our families during their stay at New Directions Shelter. Providing some sense of normalcy during this difficult time in their lives is important to helping them back on their feet. A healthy meal offers a small sense of security and feels a little bit more like home.

Weekend meals can be prepared outside of the shelter for approximately 8 adults and 18 to 20 children. Meals should be delivered to the shelter by 4:30 of the designated day. Please contact Melanie Wright at 515-244-9748 or melanie@hawthorn-hill.org, for additional information. Thank you!

Hawthorn Hill – Helping families experiencing homelessness in Iowa

Help! New Directions Shelter needs...

- Children's breakfast cereal
- 39-Gallon trash bags
- Laundry detergent (powder or pods)
- Lysol/disinfectant spray
- Paper towels & toilet tissue
- Gift cards (Hy-Vee, Target, Wal-Mart, QuikTrip, Kum & Go, Casey's)
- Bus tokens
- Multi-purpose cleaner

Gift Options - Hawthorn Hill

3001 Grand Ave, Des Moines, IA 50312

- My check for \$ _____ is enclosed
- Please make payable to: Hawthorn Hill
- I want to give \$ _____ by Credit Card:
- Visa MasterCard Discover
- Card # _____ - _____ - _____
- CSC 3-digit code _____
- Exp. Date ____ / ____
- Credit Card Signature _____
- Installment options totaling \$ _____
- (Minimum installments of \$25 each)
- 4 quarterly installments
(You will receive an invoice for each installment)
- Charge my credit card \$ _____ for each installment. (Please complete credit card information above.)

www.hawthorn-hill.org

Hawthorn Hill 2017 Financial Statement



The financial statements below are taken from Hawthorn Hill's Independent Auditor's Report on the Financial Statements, Year ended June 30, 2017. The complete financial statements are available at Hawthorn Hill's office, 3001 Grand Ave., Des Moines, Iowa.

Hawthorn Hill Statement of Financial Position June 30, 2017

ASSETS	2017
Current Assets	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 6,004
Funds held by others	375,421
Certificates of Deposit	60,270
Government grants receivable	8,868
Promises to give	7,425
Prepaid Expenses	9,977
Beneficial interest in assets held by others	5,940
Property & equipment net of accumulated depreciation	1,545,937
Total Assets	\$2,018,669
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	
Liabilities	
Accounts payable	\$ 7,387
accrued expenses	15,043
Client Escrow	12,094
Tenant Security Deposits	12,051
Total current liabilities	\$ 46,575
Long Term Liabilities	
Notes payable	\$65,802
Total long term liabilities	\$65,802
Net Assets	
Unrestricted assets	\$1,882,927
Temporarily restricted net assets	18,265
Permanently restricted net assets	5,100
Total net assets	1,906,292
Total liabilities and net assets	\$2,018,669

Hawthorn Hill Statement of Activities Year Ended June 30, 2017

	2017
Unrestricted Revenue and Support	
Contributions	\$ 315,155
Iowa Annual Conference	18,100
United Way	88,601
Government operating grants	150,603
Program fees	126,244
Contracts	51,000
Investment return	2,266
Other income	4,695
Total Revenues and Support	756,664
Expenses	
Program Services	
New Directions Shelter	320,393
The Home Connection	327,679
Support Services	
Management and general	97,974
Fund raising	25,597
Total Expenses	771,643
Excess (deficiency) of operating revenues & Support over operating expenses	(14,979)
Change in net assets	(14,979)
Net assets 6/30/2016	1,921,271
Net assets 6/30/2017	\$1,906,292

Hawthorn Hill Statement of Functional Expenses

Year Ended June 30, 2017

Salaries and Benefits	Program Services				Support Services		
	New Directions Shelter	The Home Connection Property Management	Supportive Services	Total	Management and General	Fund Raising	Total
Salaries	\$213,878	\$ 57,859	\$ 97,165	\$155,024	\$ 27,334	\$13,454	\$409,690
Employee benefits	14,497	12,200	12,200	24,400	5,670	2,100	46,667
Payroll Taxes	19,058	4,582	9,303	13,885	2,462	1,201	36,606
	247,433	74,641	118,668	193,309	35,466	16,756	492,964
Accounting	16				21,084		21,100
Consulting	6,989		68	68	9,910	840	17,807
Client Assistance	6,652		50	50			6,702
Office Supplies	724	56	114	170	1,103	360	2,357
Telephone	2,881	1,231	2,499	3,730	840		7,451
Postage	206	6		6	901	2,297	3,410
Maintenance	7,413	12,508	4,169	16,677			24,090
Utilities	13,197	10,776		10,776			23,973
Depreciation	19,063	69,601		69,601			88,664
Printing	90		90	90	1,333	5,345	6,858
Transportation	1,656	5,080	2,424	7,504	2,669		11,829
Continuing education	615		15	15	319		949
Interest		2,913		2,913			2,913
Food and supplies	3,178		521	521			3,699
Insurance	9,321	13,983		13,983	9,988		33,292
Professional fees					7,680		7,680
Other	959	7,800	466	8,266	6,681		15,905
Totals	\$320,393	\$198,595	\$129,084	\$327,679	\$97,974	\$25,597	\$771,643



New Directions Shelter

PROGRAM SUCCESS

- Provides free emergency shelter and supportive services for homeless families with children.
- Helps families with children get a new start through professional case management, counseling and advocacy. Emphasis on transitioning families into permanent housing and finding employment.
- Provides eight private family bedrooms, balanced meals and laundry facilities.

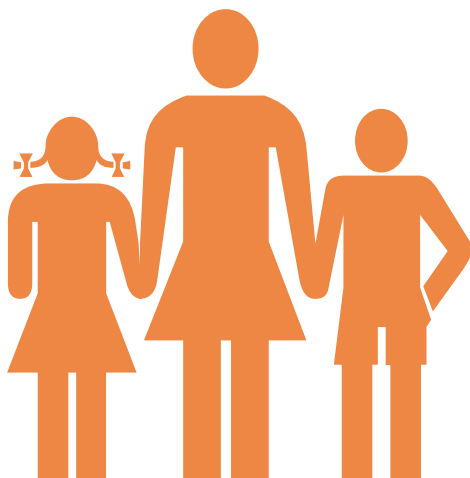
2017 Outcomes

- **Families Served:** 104
- **Individuals Served:** 317
 - Adults – 114 or 36%
 - Children – 203 or 64%
- **Race:**
 - Black/African-American – 149 or 47%
 - White – 127 or 40%
 - Native American Indian – 6 or 2%
 - Asian – 3 (1%)
 - Pacific Islander 1 (0.3%)
 - Multi-Racial – 32 or 10%
- **Ethnicity:**
 - Hispanic – 33 or 10%
- 55% of our families were placed in permanent housing.
- 42% of our families increased their annual income by 10% or more.
- 80% of our adults gained short or long-term employment that looked for employment.
- 90% of our families obtained free or reduced cost childcare that needed the service.
- Volunteers contributed over 1,600 hours for Hawthorn Hill.



2017 Outcomes

- **Families Served:** 36
Individuals - 139
Children - 101 or 73%
Adults - 38 or 27%
- **Family Make-Up:**
Single mother - 29 or 80%
Couples - 5 or 13%
Single Father - 2 or 7%
- **Race:**
Black/African-American - 71 or 51%
White - 68 or 49%
- **Ethnicity:**
Hispanic - 12 or 9%
- Eight families completed supportive housing program during 2017
 - Six or 75% moved to market based rental housing
 - Two or 25% purchased their own home
- Household monthly income for families that completed program in 2017
 - Average family household monthly income at beginning of program - \$1,035 (\$12,420 annual income)
 - Average family household monthly income at completion of program - \$2,268 (\$27,216 annual income)
 - Average family household monthly income increase - \$1,233
 - Average family household monthly income percentage increase - 119%
- Teens in the Program
 - 3 graduated from high school and entered college
 - 3 honor roll students: 2 in middle school and 1 in high school



The Home Connection

PROGRAM SUCCESS

- Provides supportive housing and case management services to homeless families with emphasis on attaining financial independence through employment and education.
- Case management staff works with families to identify the causes of their homelessness and develop a plan, with goals, to remedy causes and attain financial independence within approximately two to four years.
- Housing inventory includes 31 housing units including 22 single family homes, 3 duplexes and a 3-plex.

Hawthorn Hill Contributors

June 1, 2017 – May 31, 2018

We could not provide the critical services to homeless families needed in our community without our contributors. If we have erred or overlooked listing your name, please contact Tim Shanahan at (515) 283-1911 or at tim@hawthorn-hill.org. We sincerely apologize for any errors or names that might have been accidentally excluded from the list.

\$20,000+

Emergency Food & Shelter Program/FEMA
The Iowa Clinic Healthcare Foundation
IA Conference of the United Methodist Church
Nationwide Foundation
Polk County Housing Trust Fund
State of Iowa
United Methodist Women
United Way of Central Iowa

\$10,000-\$19,999

In Memory of Margaret Eaton Polk County
Principal Financial Group Foundation, Inc
West Bend Community Foundation

\$5,000-\$9,999

Chrysalis Foundation
Des Moines Area Association of Realtors
Roger & Janet Hoyt Lutheran Church of Hope
Kevin & Stephanie Pothoven
Deborah Tharnish & Nicholas Roby
The TJX Foundation
Wells Fargo Foundation

\$2,500-\$4,999

American Equity Investment Life Insurance Co
Burl & Alice Carrigan Constellation/MMIC Group, Inc
Davis Brown Law Firm
The Dorsey Whitney Foundation
Tim & Shannon Driscoll
Duncan & Pam Gallagher
Gartner Family Foundation
Great Western Bank
Dan J Koestner
Erika & Lon Lippincott
West Bancorporation Foundation, Inc

\$1,000-\$2,499

Ankeny First United Methodist Church
Ankeny First UMC Women
Bemis Company Foundation
Daniel Bird
Julie Bosch
Beth Brady
Bret & Becky Bussanmas
Anne Crouner
Bev & John Danielson
Des Moines Area Hunger Hike

Des Moines First United Methodist Church
Betty & Richard Eis
Bill & Jean Fajen
Federal Home Loan Bank of Des Moines
Amy Friedrich
Barbara Graham
Michael & Susan Gregan
Mark Haverland & Faith Ferre
Fred & Charlotte Hubbell Foundation
Iowa Atheists & Freethinkers
James & Marjorie Jensen
Knoxville First United Methodist Women
Ivan & Marian Lyddon
Ann & John Nesbit
Janell & Cory Pittman
Plymouth Congregational Church
Robert C Reimer
Robert & Christine Lauridsen
Sand
Sara & Steve Schuler
Tim & Mica Shanahan
Julie & Matt Sokolowski
David & Randi Tank
Phyllis Tinker
Jeff & Tiffany Uittenbogaard
Martha Ward
Wanda Wendt

\$500-\$999

American Enterprise Group
Bankers Trust
Kathryn Bernau
Centennial UMC Women
Dave & Kristi Dawson
Elite Eye Care, PC
Linda & Lynn Ferrell
Myra & John Greve
Cora Curtis Hayes
LMC Insurance & Risk Management
Steven & Kelly Medina
Mitchellville UMC Women
New Hope United Methodist Church
New Hope UMC Women
Oakwood United Methodist Church
New Hope United Methodist Church
Kirk & Tina Patten
Pella United Methodist Church
Plainview Community Club
Raccoon Valley Management
Linda & Robert Railey
Monica Reicks
RSM US LLP
Charles & Katherine Safris
Connie & Steve Sandegren
Heather & Dennis Schmeling
Melanie Scupham
SHYFT Collective Projects

Simpson United Methodist Women
Ryan Staiert Interior Design
Jackie & Todd Tatum
Ten Corp, Inc
Barry & Laura Tofteland
Andrew Van Weelden
Rose Vasquez
Gary & Lenora Waller
The Wellmark Foundation
Larry & DeeAnn Wilson
Lisa Marie Wright

\$201-\$499

Aldersgate United Methodist Church
Aldersgate United Methodist Women
Janet Andrasko
Jo Arbuckle
David & Susan Bolte
Booneville UMC Women
Mike & Susanne Carney
Christ UMC Women, DSM
Stephanie Comito
Angie Dickinson
Faith Chapel United Methodist Women
Erin Flemmer
Julia B Gentleman
Grace United Methodist Women, DSM
Liverpool Gwion
Hemann Medicine, PLC
Lance & Joleen Henning
Todd Kitzmann
Staci Krier
Matthew Kruger
Dennis & Linda Miller
Colleen Monahan
Newton First United Methodist Church
Amanda Oliver
Nicola Preston
Principal Financial Group Law
Dept Charities Committee
Bonnie Renda
Martha Reno
Republic Community UMC
John Schley & Lora Kracht
Jim Swartz & Cynthia Moiser
Angela Dethlefs-Trettin
Jim & Marcia Vetter
Walmart
Wilton United Methodist Church
Windsor Presbyterian Church
Susan E Wright

\$100-\$200

Laura Abbott
Helen Ackerson
Dean R Anderson
Joseph Barron
James & Delores Benbow
Bloomfield United

Methodist Church
Beverly & Max Bowman
Ed Bryja
Dan & Mary Buscher
Mary Beth Chase
Charlene & Doran Cole
Elaine Conkel
Corydon United Methodist Women
Avon Crawford
Sharon & Dennis Creveling
Crystal Lake United Methodist Church
Dallas Center United Methodist Women
Randy Dejmaj
Marlys DeVries
Dumont New Hope UMC
Kathy Erickson
Farmers Chapel United Methodist Church
Farrar United Methodist Church
Zachary Feser
Mary A Fischer
Kimmy Foulds
Maurine & Stephen Fox
Camille Gallagher
Paul & Jeannette Gengler
Katie George
Gladbrook United Methodist Women
Granger Emmanuel UMC
Jennifer Goulden
Bernice Heck
Cheryl Heng
George J Hoerster
Georgie Hoerster
Brian Hughes
Julie Kellner
Troy King
Susan Lang
Nick Lloyd
Joan Dunham Loring
Leslie Mamoorian & Richard Johnson
Marcus United Methodist Women
Greg & Tina Maser
Bethene McMahon
Jeffrey & Madeline Meyer
Ann & Brent Michelson
Mingo United Methodist Church
MOMS Club of WDSM
Mary Helen Morling
Janis & John Mugge
Jo Ann Neal
Edith & LeRoy Nylen
Jean & Brian O'Donnell
Catherine & Joseph Parrish
Muriel Pemble
Pam Pothoven
Anne Reasons
Jane Robinette & Matthew McCright
Susan Reams
Nancy Renaud
Kathryn Reynolds
Jeanette Robertson

Linda Rullan
Carolyn & Richard Santi
Selma Methodist Missions
Duane & Sheryll Skidmore
Karen Skovgard
George Springer
Betty & David Stout
Connie Struve
Bonnie & Bill Theisen
Bret Thies
Cecilia Tomlonovic
Tom's Auto Sales & Service
Michael & Anne Ulm
Nan Valentine
Joyce & Bruce Vandegriff
Carolyn & Robert Wagner
Wilson United Methodist Women
Janet Winslow
Women of Worthington
Denise Zimmerman

\$5-\$99

Adel United Methodist Women
Sarah Aldag
Altoona United
Methodist Women
Avery United Methodist Church
Jackulynn Baker
Ronald Blazek
Gladys Bloodworth
Marty Boesenberg
Carol Bovaird
Karen Brown
Rachel Bruns
F.W. Bryson
Burr Oak United
Methodist Women
Steve Cadman
Cantril UMC Dorcas Circle
James & Marsha Carty
Cathy Cody
Gwen Copple
Doris & Larry Cose
Erin Cottingham
Jay & Patricia Cramer
Kimberly Cross
Lori Danielson
Pam & Steve Davis
Cindy Dewall
Amanda Dirx
Jennifer Eaton
Ellston United Methodist Church
Dale & June Engle
Karin Eshelman
Dianne Fagner
Faith United Methodist
Women, Douds
Farmers Chapel UMW
Roger & Joyce Fitzgerald
Joan Frerichs
Donald & Mary Friar
Jen Golay
Glenna & Ronald Grohe
Lori Ann Haight
Kyle & Cindy Haselhuhn
Erik & Tracy Haywood
Mr & Mrs Robert Herbst
Kiana Hines
Jean Hixson
Beth & Brian Hoffa

Holstein United
Methodist Women
Hope UMC, Marshalltown
Bonnie Hunt
Elizabeth Jensen
Edie Johnson
Linda & Meredith Johnston
Sonia Kerns
Caroline Kløver
Holly & Jeffrey Kooistra
Jeffrey & Susan Cory Kuker
Vickie Lewis
Clare Lindahl
Charles & Judith Linden
Kimberly Majors
Cathy Mallard
Marilyn & Rex McBroom
Christopher Kuhn-McRoberts
Menville United
Methodist Women
Melissa Moyer
Mary Lois Nelson
Kyle Nielsen
Allison Newman
Nancy Nunn
PEO Chapter G1
Claire B Petersen
Helen J Phillips
Frederick Plum
Kay Pudil
Redfield United
Methodist Women
James & Shirley Rozendaal
Darrell & Judith Schaper
Alice & Dale Schumacher
Eric Scolaro
Emily Shariff
Sheldahl United
Methodist Women
Sherrill United Methodist church
Robert Sloan
Deborah Southard
Marian & Vaun Sprecher
Pat & Timothy Stouffer
Rex Swandahl
Cheryl Sypal
Cindy Vanderlinden
Stella Vicanovic
Washta United
Methodist Women
Daniel Weiss
James & Farryle Wendel
Wesley United
Methodist Women
John & Denise Wieland
Melanie Wright & Mark Ohlson
Elizabeth Youngberg

***We also wish to thank the many wonderful "In Kind" donors whose generosity provides us with weekend meals, milk & juice, food items, household & cleaning items, handmade quilts, etc, etc. We are so very grateful to you all!**

Thank You

Thank You

Thank You

Thank You



"The shelter saved our lives, kept us safe and helped us rebuild to this point. Morning staff are true to the soul. Kept us moving along. All shelter staff are peaceful and kind. I'll miss everyone. Thank you for your love and caring spirits. Amen."

— Grandmother, adult daughter and grandson

"Thank you to all of you who helped make my stay comfortable and wanted to help more and I understand. May God bless you and I'm grateful for your kindness if nothing else."

— Single Mom with two children

"I don't know if you remember me and my daughter, but I just wanted to email you to let you know that things are still going well for us, and I have exciting news. I am buying a house! My closing is the 23rd of this month!"

I know I've said thanks before, but I really have a lot of gratitude for you and The Home Connection program. The program helped me get to the path that led me to this point, and I can't tell you how often I look back and think about what would've happened if you hadn't chosen me for the program. I don't know if this counts as success, but I think it might. So thank you again."

— Taken from an email to Sergio Hernandez, The Home Connection's Program Manager, from a past client.

www.hawthorn-hill.org



HAWTHORN HILL

3001 Grand Avenue • Des Moines, IA 50312-4206