

Help's On The Way

Issue 1, Spring 2002

Help's On The Way Finalizes Purchase of Building In Dearborn Heights, Michigan

On March 30, 2002, officers of, Helps On The Way, finalized the purchase of our new building. The building is located at 5358 South Beech Daly Road, in Dearborn Heights, Michigan. The facility is a modern office building that has approximately one thousand square feet of usable space. The facility has one large room that will be suitable for board meetings, and client services. Additionally, the building has three rooms that lend themselves to many uses; both for clerical work and client services. The facility has restrooms for male and female clients and volunteer use. The property came with an eight by twelve storage shed, which we are presently using for the storage of a few donated items. Our parking lot is both paved and fenced with a lockable gate. The parking lot and security fencing allows us to leave our recently purchased delivery truck on the premises. The board has been diligently working for over a year to locate and purchase a suitable building, and we feel that the officers and directors of, Help's On The Way have done an excellent job of securing the purchase of this building.



President Mike Howard delivers donated clothing to our new building.

On The Road With, "Old Yeller."

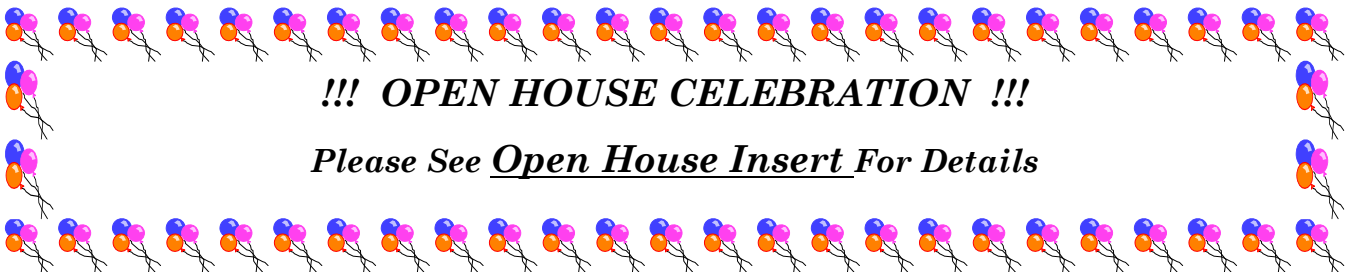
Through the generosity of an anonymous donation of eight thousand dollars from our board of directors, we now own a used delivery truck. The bright yellow color has led a contributor to the organization to name the vehicle, "Old Yeller." This vehicle will be used to deliver pre-prepared meals to the inner-city of Detroit, Michigan. It will also be used to pick up donated household items, and for delivery to clients as needed.



A new member has been elected to the board of directors of, Help's On The Way. Elizabeth Benett became the newest addition to our board on, Monday, April 15, 2002. Eliziabeth, known to us as 'Biz', brings energy and ideas to our ministry. Biz has enlisted the aid of a group women, who plan to develop a program that will be directed at helping women in transition. In the Summer, 2002 edition of Help's On The Way, Biz hopes to present the vision of this work, and to describe the goals this area of our ministry hopes to accomplish. Please join us in welcoming Biz to the board.

!!! OPEN HOUSE CELEBRATION !!!

Please See Open House Insert For Details



How We Minister

How do we desire to minister to the needs of others? Help's On The Way has a vision: feed the hungry, provide clothing, and assist in setting up households with items that make a home livable.

How is our ministry achieving these goals? To begin with, a small group of Christians had a vision: they instilled others with that vision. With time and guidance from community resources, we incorporated as a 501 (C) (3) non-profit organization. We elected officers, and invited yet another group to serve on the board of directors.

Recently, we purchased a building suitable for our purpose. It will serve as a place for volunteers to assess the needs of clients, and to provide those things in which they are in need of.

We have purchased a used truck. The truck will be used for delivering meals to the inner city of, Detroit, Michigan. It will be used to pick up items that are donated, and it will be used to deliver those same donated items to families in need.

The purchase of the building was made possible by the charitable giving of three of our board members, who donated a total of twenty-five thousand dollars for the down payment on the building that was purchased for seventy-two thousand dollars.

The purchase of the used truck was made possible by an eight thousand dollar donation, again from our board of directors.

And from the community of donors, you who are reading this newsletter, we have received over three thousand dollars to help our ministry.

Our mortgage, insurance, utilities, and incidental expenses amount to twelve hundred dollars a month. That amount may grow as we identify other needs in the community that we feel are within our ability to serve.

Now, how may we minister to those of you who have provided financial support to our ministry? Perhaps in **three ways**: firstly, we want make it abundantly clear to you, that your contributions are **appreciated**, and secondly to provide you with an opportunity to continue to financially support our work.

Enclosed in the mailing are a blue donor card, and a stamped, addressed envelope. We pray that you will have faith in us to be good stewards of what you give.

We also want you to know that we plan to publish our newsletter to coincide with the seasons: spring, summer, fall, and winter. Our plan is to keep you informed of how the ministry is growing, and what we are doing with the financial resources that you give out of the abundance of your heart.

Perhaps in these challenging economic times, you find that you are unable to support our organization financially. Would you then pray for our small group? Lift us up to Christ, and ask him humbly to assist us in the work we plan to do.

You may have noticed in a paragraph above that I spoke about **three ways** that we may minister to you. That third way, again speaks about **appreciation**. Please take the time to give some thought to those people in your life that mean so much to you: a wife, husband, parent, child, neighbor, or coworker. A simple phrase from you, "I **appreciate** you."

Yours In Christ,

Chairman, Board of Directors

Bill Swift

Mission Statement

Mission Statement

"Help Is On The Way," is a, non-profit 501 (C) (3) incorporated organization, that works to provide nutritional meals, clothing and household items to the community mission field. We define the community mission field, simply as, 'all of God's children.'

Mission Project

Our current mission project is the establishment of a facility that will meet the needs of the community as defined above. This building is located at 5358 South Beech Daly Road, in Dearborn Heights, Michigan.

Our Vision

With God's grace, Godly inspired leadership, and the assistance of volunteers, both near and far, we hope to accomplish the following:

- Feed and or provide food to those in need.
- Develop and administer a, "clothes closet," again, for those in need.
- The collection of donated household items, and the distribution and delivery of household items.

Help's On The Way Corporate Office

6784 Edwards

Belleville, Michigan 48111-1136

734.699.8656

Corporation Officers

President and CEO—Mike Howard Vice President—Jim Kelly Secretary/Treasurer—Jack Schmitt

Board Members:

Frank Housholder—President, Frank Housholder PC

Mike Howard—Material Planning and Logistics Consultant

Jim Kelly—President, Kelly Window & Door

Kathleen Oemke—JD, Livingston County Friend of the Court

Jack Schmitt—President, Jack's House Construction Company LLC

Shannon Schmitt—Registered Nurse, CDE, Sinai Grace Hospital

Bill Swift—UAW, Employee Support Services, Visteon Automotive

Elizabeth Bennett—Underwriter, National City Mortgage