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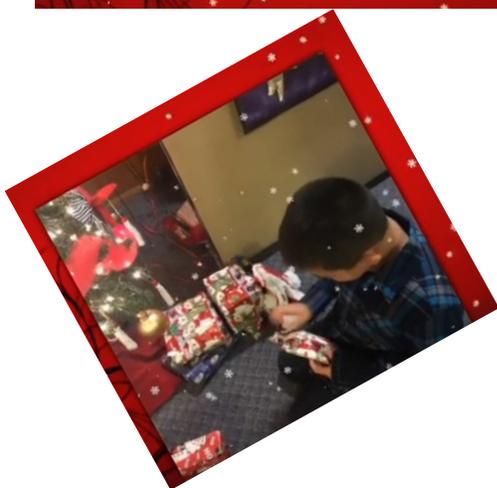
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## Christmas 2016



A warm fall brought many changes to Hope @ Miracle House. The first of which was the addition of full time overnight staff to the shelter. In an effort to provide consistency in how we deliver care and assistance, the board of directors moved forward with full time staffing for 7 nights a week for the entire six month period. This required the addition of employees to cover the nights of the week previously staffed by volunteers and meet the needs for full time case management. Because we have been so blessed by your contributions toward our effort, and the Lord continues to show his favor to this growing ministry we were able to raise needed funding to add the needed overnight staff! In addition, we were able to hire in-house case management to further increase our impact on a family's ability to get well. This is a tremendous step for Hope @ Miracle House, and we want to thank you for your prayers and love.

Our employees are amazing! In the same way that God guides every single step of this mission, He has assembled an outstanding pair of individuals whose hearts are truly geared toward loving. It is really wonderful to see them interact with the families and make them a part of their own. Having a live-in case manager gives her the ability to interact with clientele on a daily basis, further strengthening the trust and relationship between case manager and client. It also gives her an in depth look at day to day life, which can help with identifying underlying needs and areas we can help and pray. They are an exceptional team that is a true asset to this organization, and I look forward to our future with them aboard.

It was a slow start to the season with very few calls in the first few weeks of October. Above average temperatures and a healthy job market have had shelters across the Metro area seeing vacancies not common to this time of year. Inevitably things picked up, and two families were living at the Miracle House.

I am so pleased to say that things went very well for the first families, and both have moved into stable housing and to the time of this writing remain self-sufficient. Praise God!

A couple of weeks went by with the house quiet again, and then suddenly we found ourselves with two families in the house again just before Christmas.

Thanks to this amazing community you were able to provide a beautiful Christmas for two very deserving families. I was fighting back the tears of joy handing out presents to the children, seeing their eyes filled with excitement as they opened the gifts. It was unforgettable. In addition to fun things for the kids, you gave practical gifts of clothing, food, and gas gift cards for the whole family benefit from. It really made the whole Christmas season for my family and I to share this time with the board and our families. The unending generosity of this community and our family of contributors is the real-life application of Jesus' love shining through your lives and into others. It is a profound experience to see the unfolding of His plans lived out in front of my very eyes. No detail unseen, no need unmet. He is so very good.

As 2017 begins we excitedly anticipate great things for this mission. We remain steadfast in our obedience to the Lord's call to our hearts, and we are committed to caring for those in need. Any kind of need. Please continue to cover us with your prayers, and God bless you and yours. Happy New Year!

Braylon Roup

A handwritten signature in brown ink that reads "Hope @ Miracle House". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style. It is set against a rectangular yellow background.

It is so rewarding to see firsthand the positive changes that can take place in a person's life in the right environment. To see a fractured sad heart heal strengthen and heal with support and love is why we exist. To be the hands and feet of Jesus, boots on the ground. We do this not to be recognized, but only to serve His command to love each other and to do it well. Each one of us in the Hope @ Miracle House organization has our own personal motivations for being a part of this ministry. Some aspect of our life that was touched or even scarred by homelessness. We all deeply care for the success of the mission, but it's not always easy to know which direction we should go. Needs that present themselves become our priorities.

At the top of this list is the looming need for daytime shelter throughout the six months that we operate. Leaps and bounds have been made in the ability to have overnight staff in lieu of volunteers. However, the ever-present need for our clientele to have somewhere to go during the days seems to be our most pressing concern. Often our clients are in between jobs, have no local family or friends, and need daytime shelter. Not to mention needing somewhere to go on weekend days, snow days, work holidays and so on. Critical because all our clients have children. It just makes it that much tougher on them, and for us too. We are forced to take clientele here or there, whatever we can put together at a moment's notice. We know that we can do better, and we will.

Our board will move forward with fund raising efforts for 24-hour shelter operation in the 2017-18 service season (October through March) and finding a facility to support this endeavor. Extremely exciting and a big step as we will not only need to fund the staff, but also provide a physical location for day shelter to take place. Our current facility is owned by the United Methodist Church, and is used by other ministries during the daytime hours to aid our community in several ways. As with all that we do, it will be built on prayer and our dependence on Him to provide. Please keep this in your prayers. Having a space for our families to keep warm and safe during the day is the next logical step in providing great care for our clientele. We will continue to make arrangements for "snow" days by finding local accommodations for shelter from extreme weather conditions.

To date, Hope @ Miracle House provided over 800 nights of shelter to families, which stands to show the enormous need for this facility and its services. We are so proud to be a part of this great community, and Kingdom Family. Spreading the love of Jesus Christ through compassion for families in desperate need of more than just a hand up. We are their family, now and for the future. Someone they can depend on in all circumstances.

As always, thank you for your continued prayers and support! We look forward to 2017 and all the changes it will bring.

### Thank you Bank of Colorado



Want to thank the Bank of Colorado, Don Tomoi, Mariann Johnston and Dave Evens. They presented Hope @ Miracle House a Christmas gift today of \$2500.00. Thank you so much we are so blessed!!

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