



Haven House News

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From the Director's Chair

Dear Friends,

Thanks for taking a few minutes to let us catch you up on all the happenings around Haven House!

Since our last newsletter:

- We saw the completion of our new out-reach center, which is serving record numbers of families in need of furniture, food, transportation or emotional support, as they find ways to stay safely in their own homes.
- We began offering counseling and specialized support groups for victims of domestic or sexual violence who also suffer from substance abuse problems.
- We had a busy and blessed Christmas as you so generously helped us serve 54 children and their mothers.
- We welcomed several new board members who have certainly hit the road running, with gala plans underway!
- We averaged 24 women and children per night in our shelter.

We are excited to also announce our upcoming 35th Anniversary Gala and 31st Haven House Trail Ride in 2020! More details included on page 2.

As always, we are grateful for your continued prayerful support of our work. We appreciate you!

We are accepting in kind donations Mon-Fri, 8:00 am to 4:00 pm. We can accept household items and toys, as well as in-season clothing. Due to your overwhelming generosity, we have depleted our storage space for out of season clothing. As always, cash contributions can be mailed to P.O. Box 4875, Poplar Bluff, MO 63902.

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If you would prefer receiving our newsletter via e-mail, we'd be happy to oblige! We will continue sending it the old tried and true way, but know some would appreciate less paper in their lives! If you'd like us to email your newsletter, or receive it both ways, let us know by contacting us at haven@semo.net.

Volunteer Corner

2020 looks promising as our Volunteer Orientation brought us 12 new volunteers this year! We are fortunate to have a group of talented individuals assisting us this year with childcare, correspondence, fundraising activities, support groups, gift bags and birthday cakes for residents and their children. Our volunteers devote an average of 2 to 4 hours per month to our cause and we are very grateful!

We are excited to add several cooking and sewing classes this year for the women and some art classes for the children. One volunteer is starting a weekly journaling class this spring and the residents are looking forward to each of these opportunities.

We are very blessed to have several Registered Nurses on our volunteer roster who have assisted with hospital advocacy.

We will hold our quarterly closet clean out in March and will begin the task of organizing our office supply room, children's and adult closets.

If you know someone who would like to volunteer please ask them to contact our Volunteer Coordinator, Melody Ducote at 573-686-4873 or havenhousemelody@gmail.com.

Interested in earning some state tax credits? We have the answer! Missouri tax payers who make a minimum of \$100 in annual cash donations to Haven House are eligible to receive 50% of their total contributions in state tax credits, in addition to their federal tax deduction. For more information about how you and Haven House can benefit from this program, please call 686-4873 and ask for Jane or Mary Ann.

Shelter Statistics for Oct.- Dec. 2019

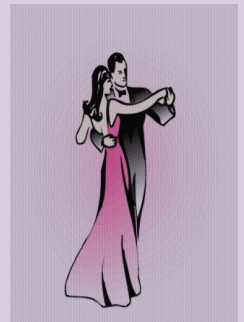
Women and Children Sheltered	93
Meals Served	7374
Bed Nights	2458

In 2019, Haven House Staff:

- answered 1169 calls on the 24 hour hotline.
- served 244 women and children in the shelter.
- provided 6761 bed nights of emergency shelter.
- served 72 victims of sexual assault.
- facilitated 196 support group meetings.
- served 591 victims in the civil court advocacy program.
- served 458 victims in the criminal court advocacy program.
- admitted 36 new participants in the batterers intervention program.
- provided 68 community presentations.

Haven House 35th Anniversary Gala!

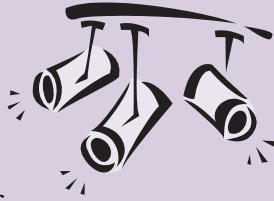
Dig out your dancing shoes and mark your calendars for March 28, because its time to celebrate! Please join us for an evening of dining and dancing to commemorate three and a half successful decades of serving families in crisis in Southeast Missouri! The black-tie optional event will be held at the Westwood Center and will feature a social hour, dinner, and dancing. Please call 686-4873 for more information. Tickets are \$75 and must be reserved in advance. All proceeds will be used to further the life changing work offered to victims of domestic or sexual violence and their children.



Many thanks to Dr. and Mrs. John Blaich who will be hosting our **Haven House Trail Ride** on Saturday, Sept. 19, 2020. All trail riders, please watch your mail as the pledge sheets will be sent out in early August. For 30 years the Haven House Trail Ride has proven to be our most successful annual fund raising event and we are so grateful to the Blaich family for stepping up for us! More details will follow, but we wanted to announce the big news!

Employee in the Spotlight

While this “Employee in the Spotlight” is not a paid staff member, she is definitely a big part of our Haven House team!. Such an important team member, in fact, she was our nominee for the DAR’s “Difference Makers” award this past year. In her interview, **Becky Stockwell** said, “ I saw an article about a volunteer orientation and felt truly moved to come to that meeting. I knew they did really good work helping women who desperately need it, but never thought of them wanting volunteers. I also knew it was run by women, which made me very comfortable. I wasn’t sure what I wanted to do there, but soon found my footing. I take crisis calls and drive residents to appointments. I cook meals. I organize closets and sort donations. I listen when a resident needs to talk about their problems.” Becky and her family also fostered a dog for a family at Haven House as they found permanent living arrangements! When asked if others should volunteer, Becky answered, “Definitely! I know people lead very busy lives with lot of responsibilities, but just imagine how our community would benefit if every person could find just one or two hours a month to volunteer with an organization they feel passionately about. Every little act of kindness sends a ripple out into the world that expands when people pay it forward.”



Shopping List

- ◆ Coffee
- ◆ Sugar
- ◆ Coffee creamer
- ◆ Trash bags
- ◆ Ziploc bags (gallon)
- ◆ Shampoo/Conditioner
- ◆ Hair brushes
- ◆ Pine-sol
- ◆ Towels
- ◆ Fresh vegetables



Daily Support Group Schedule

- Mon. 10am: Women’s Health and Self-Esteem Group
- Tues. 9 am: Substance Abuse/Domestic Violence Group
- Tues. 10am: Group for Survivors With Young Children
- 6pm: Spiritual Healing
- Wed. 10am: Domestic Violence Survivors Group
- Thurs. 10am: Strengthening Life Skills
- Fri. 10am: Peer Support Group for Sexual Assault Survivors

Groups are facilitated by Haven House staff members and community volunteers. Any woman who has survived domestic or sexual abuse is welcome to participate at no charge.

Arby’s Foundation Grant

Haven House was recently awarded a \$3000 grant from the Arby’s Foundation to purchase food for families who will reside in the shelter in 2020. We are so grateful for the award. With a projected 25,200 meals to be served, we know that we will make good use of the grant!

Please visit us at:

www.havenhousepoplarbluff.com

for all the latest services and news!

Mission Statement:

To end rape and abuse in Southeast Missouri through shelter, support, advocacy and education.

Thank you...to the following individuals and organizations for their financial and in-kind donations May 19 through December 19

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