# HOPE VILLAGE - TINY HOUSING ALTERNATIVES

Mission: In collaboration with community partners; provide shortterm and longer-term housing alternatives and service to people experiencing homelessness in Chippewa County.

### NEWS & FEATURES

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HOPE VILLAGE IS SEEKING CAPITAL CAMPAIGN VOLUNTEERS. THERE ARE A NUMBER OF COMMITTEES TO SERVE ON! Click here to volunteer:

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Welcome to the Hope Village Newsletter! The goal of the newsletter is to keep the community informed of the latest information with the tiny house village.

We are a Thrivent Choice Organization. Hope Village – Tiny Housing Alternatives, Inc. Thrivent Choice | Thrivent Financial.



VOLUNTEERS

HOPE VILLAGE IS LOOKING FOR

FOR OUR CAPITAL CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE

### **UPDATES**

WE HAVE SEVERAL GUEST LOOKING FOR APARTMENTS - IF ANYONE ON OUR MAILING LIST KNOWS OF ANY.

THE COMMUNITY CENTER IS PROGRESSING - THE WALLS ARE BACK UP, ELECTRICAL AND PLUMBING ITEMS ARE BEING INSTALLED- PAINT IS EXPECTED TO APPLIED THE WEEK OF 2/21-2/28

HOPE VILLAGE RECEIVED A 3 YEAR GRANT FROM THE UNITED WAY OF THE GREATER CHIPPEWA VALLEY TO BEGIN FUNDING ON JULY 1, 2022.

THANK YOU JACOB'S WELL CHURCH FOR YOUR GIFT! WE RECEIVED A ONE TIME GIFT OF \$30,000.00 FROM JACOB'S WELL CHURCH.

LANDLORD	JOIN US!
RESOURCE Forum	Thursday, February 24
	4-5 PM
Extension UNVERTY OF VISCOUSE-MADISON CHIPPEMA COUNTY	<b>Chippewa County Courthouse</b> Lower Level – Room 003 711 N. Bridge St. Chippewa Falls, WI 54729
United Way of the Country Housing Authority	

## GIVE CHIPPEWA GRANT

Vote Hope Village by February 13! Click below to vote:

<u>https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/GiveChippewaSurvey?</u> <u>fbclid=IwAR0xQQTZ-b\_2QxGabF2go-</u> <u>yAKB5B3KHvfULyFBnJSwah0ZwRmzEhCZzj8ws</u>

## SUCCESS STORIES

THE HOPE VILLAGE NAVIGATOR, JENN BARRETT, IS VITAL TO THE SUCCESS OF THE ORGANIZATION AND ITS GUESTS. JENN MEETS WITH THE GUESTS ON A WEEKLY BASIS TO FORM A SECURE LIVING PLAN WITH THEIR GOALS IN MIND. SHE SHARES WITH US A FEW HOPE VILLAGE SUCCESS STORIES. NAMES OF GUESTS HAVE BEEN ABBREVIATED WITH INITIALS TO PROTECT THEIR IDENTITY AND SAFETY.

### JB

JB WAS THE MOTHER OF TWO SMALL CHILDREN WHO WERE FLEEING A DOMESTIC VIOLENCE RELATIONSHIP. SHE STAYED IN THE TINY HOUSE WITH HER TWO CHILDREN FOR EIGHT MONTHS. DURING THAT TIME, SHE BECAME INVOLVED WITH A LOCAL CHURCH AND MET A VERY NICE MAN. AFTER SOME TIME, THEY BECAME ENGAGED AND GOT MARRIED. THE COUPLE RECENTLY HAD A CHILD, AND THEY JUST PURCHASED THEIR FIRST HOUSE AS A FAMILY.

### LH

I RECEIVED A CALL FROM AN ELDERLY MAN WHO HAD BEEN SLEEPING IN HIS CAR FOR A NUMBER OF MONTHS. HE HAD AN AGGRESSIVE FORM OF CANCER AND WAS GOING THROUGH RADIATION AND CHEMOTHERAPY TREATMENTS. I IMAGINE THIS HAD TO BE DIFFICULT WHILE LIVING IN HIS CAR! WHEN I MET WITH HIM, I LEARNED HE WAS A VIETNAM WAR VETERAN AND HELPED RESCUE MANY VIETNAMESE ONTO HIS NAVY SHIP. HOPE VILLAGE WAS ABLE TO PROVIDE HIM A TINY HOUSE WHILE HE WAS RECEIVING TREATMENT. DURING HIS MONTHS AT THE TINY HOUSE WE LEARNED A LOT ABOUT HIS LIFE. ONE OF HIS GOALS WAS TO RECONNECT WITH A BROTHER, HOPE VILLAGE STAFF WERE ABLE TO HELP HIM CONNECT WITH HIS BROTHER IN THE TWIN CITIES AREA. THEY WERE ALSO ABLE TO HELP HIM QUALIFY FOR STEM CELL THERAPY IN MINNEAPOLIS, WHICH IS NEAR WHERE HIS BROTHER IS LOCATED.

### MΒ

HOPE VILLAGE IS SUPPORTING A SINGLE-MOTHER AND HER THREE CHILDREN IN A TINY HOUSE. BEFORE COMING TO HOPE VILLAGE, SHE LIVED IN A RENTAL PROPERTY THAT THE LANDLORD ENDED UP SELLING. IT WAS NO LONGER AVAILABLE TO BE RENTED OUT. SHE COULD NOT FIND ANOTHER AFFORDABLE RENTAL IN TIME, SO SHE AND HER CHILDREN MOVED INTO A TINY HOUSE. DURING HER TIME AT HOPE VILLAGE, SHE HAS SECURED A JOB AND HAS BEEN ABLE TO INCREASE HER CREDIT SCORE. SHE IS WORKING ON PURCHASING HER FIRST HOME WITH THE SUPPORT OF HOPE VILLAGE.