

Acknowledgement page

Over the years we have many people, foundations and organizations to thank who have supported and encouraged us in our work through financial contributions, prayer, volunteering and donations of various furniture, clothing and food. We of course thank God the most for bringing us so many generous people who make our work possible.

Hope Street Ministries would not exist without the dedication and support of our donors. In our 10 years of operation we have served over 900 individuals and foundations have donated more than \$3,000,000. We have remodeled our facilities by pouring over \$2,200,000 into major renovations. Most of the Capital Improvement money has come from the very generous Fleck Foundation. We own 2 of our 3 buildings free and clear and have a small bank mortgage on one. That is our only debt and we are working hard to pay that off.

Our goal is to create an environment that people are proud to live in and a place where God's Holy Spirit is transforming lives.

We are especially grateful for the generosity of the following local private foundations: The Bradley Foundation, the Milwaukee Foundation, the Kettle Moraine Foundation, Fleck Foundation, Stacker Foundation, Elizabeth Brinn Foundation, Helen Bader Foundation, Ashley Foundation, Faye McBeath, Christian Stewardship Foundation, Didomi Foundation, Katex Foundation, Non Profit Management Fund, Forest County Potawatomi Community Foundation, Wells Fargo Foundation, Herb Kohl Charities, Eisner Foundation, Helfear Foundation, Ellinger Foundation, and the Chapman Foundation. Hope Street also received a grant from The Greater Milwaukee Foundation's Walter and Olive Stiemke Fund.

Many of these Foundations have faithfully contributed every year to our operations needs and our capital improvement projects. It is humbling to have the trust and support of so many. We work hard to honor every dollar contributed here by foundations and individuals.

Private donations are over \$475,000 to date to support our work. Many of those contributions are small checks given by people who have little but feel moved to give what they can. We have received gifts privately for a large as \$30,000 and as small as .75 cents. We honor them all and appreciate them all very much.

We also receive support from local companies and churches like Oakwood Church (formerly Kettle Moraine Evangelical Free church) in Delafield and Elmbrook Church in Brookfield. We are very grateful for the love and support they have shown us over the years. Many other churches are involved with us through clothing and food donations and through volunteers who serve as mentors and teachers.

In 2008 our operating budget will exceed \$650,000 and our capital budget will exceed \$160,000 for additional improvements.

Please see our "How to get Involved" page for more details on how you may contribute or sign up to be a volunteer.

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