

BUILDING
COMMUNITY
AS WE BUILD...

SHECHEM

At Hope Street

OCTOBER 2021

IT'S HAPPENING!!!! CONSTRUCTION THAT IS

I have waited SO long to be able to share that news with you. While it officially began in August, these last couple of weeks we have watched the foundation be laid. Solid. Firm. A Promise, that Shechem is Coming!



This whole process has been a journey, one we will not soon forget. We are grateful to those who have been there since the beginning and those who have joined us along the way. We now prepare to open our doors to the greater community. We need YOU now more than ever. Whether that is through your generous contributions, faithful prayers or helping the committee prepare to open our doors — we would love to find a way for you to get more involved.

Please prayerfully consider how you will continue to join us!

PRAISE BREAK!

We have had two \$100,000 gifts come in during the month of October, the most recent one from GMF: West Bend Mutual Insurance Company Charitable Fund. Please continue to pray for the over \$1 million dollars worth of grants we hope to hear from before the end of this year!

NOVEMBER CAMPAIGN

We have put together an online campaign for the month of November. Every person who donates to Shechem, shares our campaign post & likes our FaceBook page in November will be entered to win a bundle of local gifts.

Help us reach our \$100,000 goal for November and get a chance to win Milwaukee favorites.



Check out the progress, help spread awareness or donate to win by scanning the QR here!

THE WINNER'S PRIZES INCLUDE:

- Lakefront Brewery Beer Box
- Third Space Brewing Beer Box
- Tickets to Milwaukee Domes and Botanical Gardens
- Tea Box from Urbal Tea Co.

GIVING TUESDAY

Giving Tuesday is November 30th! All contributions received this year will be going directly towards Building Shechem. This year a pair of anonymous donors have stepped up to match up to \$15,000 of gifts that come in that day! Each dollar you donate (check, cash or online) on Giving Tuesday will be doubled.

HERE ARE SOME WORDS FROM OUR ANONYMOUS DONATION MATCHERS:

What made you choose to give to Shechem?

We know a number of families whose lives have been profoundly affected by addictions--abandonment of children, prostitution, burglary, imprisonment, overdose and death. Hope Street is providing the way out so that healing can take place. Relationships — with God and others — are at the heart of what Hope Street offers. Shechem will provide a place for current and former members of Hope Street to continue to build those relationships, and even expand those relationships to the community.

Why did you come down to Hope Street and what did you think when you came?

We had heard of Hope Street for many years and wanted to see it for ourselves. My husband had driven past it for many years because he worked in that neighborhood. We found it to be a welcoming place. Since it is a big place with a variety of apartments it can accommodate various size families. We saw a lot of common spaces inside, as well as a beautiful patio that encourages socializing.

Why should people donate during the matching period?

This is an opportunity to join God in what He is already doing at Hope Street. Shechem will provide additional space for learning, experiencing God's unconditional love, healing in a supportive atmosphere and growing together in our Savior Jesus.

FINAL ASK...

We are building a safe space where men, women and children can find healing, be in community and explore new ways to live a full life, a flourishing life. Yes, it's a physical space but we know it is what will happen in that space that will bring about transformation. Our hope is to eliminate any doubt or worry in covering costs for infrastructure so that we can focus on what we do best: offering a faith based community where people can live, learn and develop new habits.

SIMPLY PUT, WE HAVE SURPASSED THE MILLION DOLLAR MARK, BUT WE STILL NEED TO GET TO \$3.8 MILLION. PLEASE PRAYERFULLY CONSIDER HOW YOU CAN HELP US ACHIEVE THAT GOAL.

For those of you who have completed a declaration of intention card, this is a friendly reminder to please contribute first part of intention by December 31st, 2021. If you are still interested in completing one, you can do so online or contact us and we will mail you a paper version. If you would like to meet with staff or a board member about the process please do not hesitate to reach out. (Info@hopestreetministry.org)

Shechem at Hope Street is now it's own entity owned by Hope Street. Moving forward if you could please write checks out to Shechem at Hope Street. Your gift will still be tax deductible.

PLEASE JOIN US IN THIS ADVENTURE THIS YEAR

1 > Follow us on social media

- @greenhouseforpeople
- HopeStreet_GFP
- @greenhouseforpeople
- Hope Street Ministry

2 > Show up (come to our events)

3 > Take the time (read our emails, prayers and stories, and share the message)

4 > Pray! (we value this so much)

5 > Give when you can (and encourage others to)



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