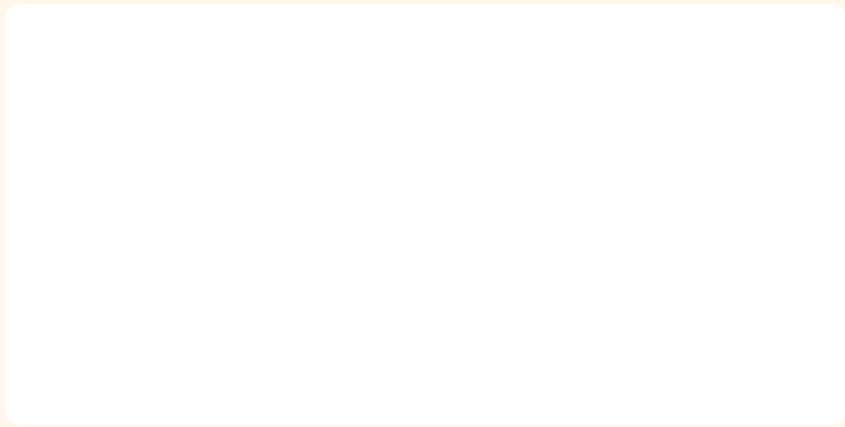





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Executive Director Update



Shawn Newhouse, DBA
City on a Hill Executive
Director

Dear Friends of City on a Hill,

Summertime in Michigan is here! As the days are longer and warmer, we hope you find time for refreshment with loved ones. At this time of year, we also appreciate the opportunity to reach out to you to share our current operational needs.

We recently celebrated what the Lord is doing at City on a Hill at our annual Friends of City on a Hill Luncheon as noted in this newsletter. We heard from a Doors of Hope Client who shared how Doors of Hope helped her through a difficult time relationally and financially. Thanks to the ongoing relationship with her LifeSkills Coach, she now feels empowered to make healthy financial and life choices.

We also heard from two Ministry Partners, Wings of Mercy and Movement West Michigan, who shared how the affordable, inviting, and collaborative space provided by City on a Hill empowers their organizations to effectively carry out their own God-given missions. We are grateful for the Lord's continued faithfulness to City on a Hill as we seek to meet growing needs.

Our Ministry Partners are patient and steadfast as we navigate various operational challenges that accompany an aging facility. Sometimes our partners deal with interruptions related to the building. An interruption of note is our aging roof, resulting in several unexpected leaks over the years.

You may recall a couple days this past winter when we had a terrific ice and windstorm... both of which were not so terrific for our roof. On one particular day, we had a leak in the middle of a classroom, water running down the walls at Doors of Hope, and two other hallway leaks. During these types of interruptions, our Ministry Partners are gracious and kind. However, to serve our Ministry Partners and clients well, we know it is time to tend to this operational issue.

We've had the roof inspected and would like to replace most areas to help our Ministry Partners avoid programming disruptions. The total cost for this project is \$300,000. If you would like to support this significant initiative, we invite you to send a gift in the attached envelop or give online at www.coahm.org. We are grateful for you and your ongoing support of the work at City on a Hill Ministries.

PAST

1956
The original Zeeland Hospital was dated back to 1956 with various additions through the 1990's. There has been no known FULL fix of the roof since then.

4x/year
In recent years, City on a Hill has repaired the roof a minimum of four times per year with multiple patches during each repair.

PRESENT

REPLACEMENT

Pending funding, the roof replacement will be completed in phases based on priority of need.

- EXTENSIVE REPAIRS
- PROGRAM INTERRUPTION
- ENERGY COSTS
- LEAK DAMAGE

FUTURE

PROTECTION

The roof replacement will resolve the frequency of leaks and eliminate programming disruption for our partners.



Friends of City on a Hill Luncheon

We are grateful for all who attended our annual Friends of City on a Hill Spring Luncheon. Shawn Newhouse, City on a Hill's Executive Director shared about God's faithfulness to City on a Hill and a panel from Wings of Mercy, Movement West Michigan and Doors of Hope shared about City on a Hill's mission in action. To learn more, check out our Facebook page.



The Cafe provided a delicious lunch and the beautiful centerpieces were donated from Grassmid Greenhouse.



Thank you to our panel: Wings of Mercy's Grace Spelde, Movement West Michigan's Kory Plockmeyer, Door of Hope's Rebecca Meyer, and a Door of Hope's client.



If you are interested in having our Cafe cater your next event, contact Megan Behler at cafe@coahm.org

Staff Spotlight - Andrea



City on a Hill Health Clinic's Nurse Practitioner has witnessed healing through our clinic for over ten years. Starting as a volunteer, Andrea spent time with patients showing care and hope to those who were overlooked. As time went by and a paid position became available at the Health Clinic, there was no question that Andrea would be the perfect fit. She brings joy in times of fear and light in times of hopelessness. Andrea believes the Clinic is a special place due to the incredible team of staff and volunteers who graciously take care of those who often feel unseen by the traditional medical system. She says "What a blessing it has been to walk alongside those at their most vulnerable moments to provide safety, empathy and a glimpse of hope they may not have seen otherwise." If you are a practitioner interested in volunteering at our Clinic, please email Christine Plummer, Clinic Director, at hc.christine@coahm.org.



SUMMER WISHLIST

Thank you for your continuous support of City on a Hill! In addition to our larger roof project, we have compiled a list of items that would benefit not only our building but those we serve.

Your donation of \$50 provides:

- Gas cards for Doors of Hope and Health Clinic clients get to and from appointments
- Meals for Doors of Hope clients
- Grocery cards for Doors of Hope and Health Clinic clients
- Sanitary items for Health Clinic patients

Your donation of \$100 provides:

- Cleaning supplies for the Health Clinic
- Utilities for Hope Homes
- Gift cards for professional attire for Doors of Hope clients

Your donation of \$500 provides:

- Year supply of blood tests for the Health Clinic
- Benevolence funds for Doors of Hope clients
- Updated technology for conference rooms used by multiple ministry partners
- Floor AC Unit for a Hope Home family
- Push mower for a Hope Home
- Ketra Braids Hair salon gift card for Doors of Hope clients
- Sink for the Cafe
- Two ice chests for the Cafe

Your donation of \$1,000 provides:

- Splints for Health Clinic patients
- Over the counter medicine for Health Clinic patients
- Two months rent for Hope Homes family through Doors of Hope

Your donation of \$2,000 provides:

- At home blood pressure cuffs for Health Clinic patients
- Four months rent for Hope Homes family through Doors of Hope
- Upgrades to countertops in the Cafe

WAYS TO GIVE TO CITY ON A HILL:

- Electronically on our website
 - coahm.org/ways-to-give
- Send check to:

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Community Impact Day 2023

On Wednesday, May 17th, City on a Hill hosted nearly 50 volunteers from the greater West Michigan area. The event was organized through The West Coast Chamber of Commerce based in Holland. The volunteers enthusiastically helped with our landscaping and interior spring cleaning. We also had an opportunity to take them on a tour to observe City on a Hill's ministry in action. Thank you to volunteers from Koops Automation Systems, Coastal Automotive, The Anderson Group, FergyPix Studio, Five Star Real Estate, Northwestern Mutual, Request Foods and United Bank! We hope to see you all again soon!



City on a Hill Tours

Looking to learn more about what happens at City on a Hill? Call 616-748-6510 to register for one of our summer tours. Each tour will conclude with a cup of coffee and cookie from the Café.

Summer tour dates:

- July 13 - 9 AM
- July 24 - 1 PM
- August 8 - 9 AM
- August 24 - 1 PM

