How **You** may Help.....



- Housing—Do you have a Parsonage, Rental Unit, House, etc. that you would consider using (short or long term) for Transformational Housing in Bedford County? Love INC is praying for homes in each of our School Districts so families with children could remain in their current school.
- Mentoring—Are you led by the Lord and willing to invest one on one in the transformation of lives? After Christ, mentoring is the most crucial part of this program.
- Care Teams—Would your Church be willing to oversee one of God's Harbor Homes, provide a Care Team to build a relationship with the residents and to assist the family in various areas of need? (Hospitality, Maintenance, Housekeeping, Inventory Management, etc.)
- Financial Support—Would you offer your financial support to maintain and support God's Harbor Homes for Transformational Housing in Bedford County?
- Prayer Warrior Will you pray for mentors, discernment, finances, homes and all the above?

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GOD'S HARBOR HOMES TRANSFORMATIONAL HOUSING



A Relational Ministry Of Love INC Of Bedford County

Our mission for Transformational Housing is to mobilize the Church to transform the lives of those who are God sent, homeless, beaten down by the world and ready for the real life change that Christ offers, and mentor them to fulfill the Great commission given by Him.

The Vision

Ten years ago, during a Love INC National Conference God placed a desire on the heart of Bev Patten, Executive Director of Love INC of Bedford County, to launch a program in Bedford County similar to Lancaster County's Homes of Hope. The name that God gave her for this program is **God's Harbor Homes.** After many prayers and a lot of growth within the ministry we have begun our Transformational Housing Program and we need you! See the section on "How You May Help".

The Development

Since July 2012, a core group of people has been meeting to pray and listen for direction from God for this program. Through this group's leadership, our Transformational Housing Program is developed in the spirit of bringing hope to the hopeless, with God's strength, always going forward in HIS Grace, by the transforming power of Christ Jesus.

Our vision is for a family or individual, desiring God's **real life change**, to reside in one of God's Harbor Homes for a period of 3 to 6 months.

Recently a young man came into the Love INC Office with this story. He had recently been released from jail, and was temporarily staying at a motel, when his wife left him with two children, one of whom was not his biological child. As we listened to his story we felt he would be a great candidate for Transformational Housing.

The Beginning

In November of 2011, Dennis and Kathy Dibert of D&D Enterprises, purchased a home that once belonged to Dennis's grandparents. Dennis and Kathy desire to lend this house, for a time, to Love INC to be used as one of God's Harbor Homes. The home, called "Sure House" (I Kings 11:38) is a lasting legacy to God's faithfulness to Dennis's grandparents. That faithfulness was instilled in his parents, in Dennis and his siblings, and in the lives of others whom they influenced because of Jesus in their lives.

The Fulfillment.... Souls for the Kingdom

"Sure House" will continue the legacy of Jesus in the lives of those who live there and of their children and grandchildren. It has been completely renovated and furnished as one of God's Harbor Homes for a family identified by Love INC. "Sure House", and all future God's Harbor Homes, through relational ministry, teaches Godly principles and how to apply them for **The Real Life Change.**

In contrast to many government programs that enable people to continue on detrimental paths, we envision that dignity, hope, and purpose will be restored in the lives of residents through the love of Jesus Christ.

And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.

- Romans 12:2

The Call

Suppose a brother or sister is without clothes and daily food. If one of you says to him, "Go, I wish you well; keep warm and well fed," but does nothing about his physical needs, what good is it? In the same way, faith by itself, if it is not accompanied by action is dead.

- James 2: 15-17 NIV

<u>One</u> congregation cannot meet all of the needs of the homeless in our county. The impact of Transformational Housing will be directly related to the Body of Christ and the church's willingness to enter into collaborative partnerships across congregational and denominational lines.

Through the faithful mentoring and loving fellowship of a church, the resident will be nurtured into a personal relationship with Jesus. This mentorship and the transformation that Jesus brings to their lives is of paramount importance and the only way this program will be successful!



"Sure House" is pictured above.

You may view on the Facebook Group,

A "Sure House"