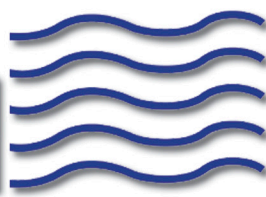




Sharing Hope Ministry



# Sharing Hope N.E.W.S



## Patsy's Place

Transitional Home

# A REALITY!

On July 31, 2009, Sharing Hope Ministry purchased a two-story, 11,000 square-foot brick building, located at 2300 SW 7th Avenue. This building soon will become Patsy's Place Transitional Home. Our goal is to open its doors to area women early in 2010.

*"Can you help me? I'll be returning to Amarillo early in 2010. I used to be a nurse but I have struggled with addiction. My desire is to provide for my family in the way they deserve. I need some support as I know I'm not ready to go back after my release...I am anxiously waiting for your consideration" ~ Dora*

Since 2002, Sharing Hope Ministry has been working with recently released women who return to our community. Our Stepping Stones aftercare program typically serves 54 women from the Texas Panhandle annually. We expect 12-18 residents at Patsy's Place each year, with continued aftercare services to an additional 50 women. They can receive support, referrals to area resources, mentoring and participate in training classes offered at Patsy's Place.

Sharing Hope Ministry has seen the difficulties of re-entry experienced by area women. We have witnessed even those with the deepest commitment to Christ have endured hardships of being released ill-equipped to begin life free from drugs and crime. According to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, without any assistance given, nearly 80% of the women will re-offend within 18 months of their release. This is costly to taxpayers, as well as emotionally costly to the repeat offender, her family and the community. However, with a faith-based aftercare program, studies prove the recidivism rate can be cut to an average of 38%, and in some communities as low as 3%.

Before the first woman passes through our doors, there will be extensive renovation to Patsy's Place. With your help, we can provide a home that will be the standard for faith-based re-entry programs for women recently released from incarceration. We will allow God's transforming grace and truth to work through our programs to restore formerly incarcerated women to become contributing members to the community, bearing witness that no life is beyond the reach of God's power.

Sharing Hope Ministry has made a firm commitment to be a faith-based program. Because of this commitment, we will forego many funding opportunities that would limit our religious outreach. We are relying heavily on support from Christian foundations and our Sharing Hope friends. This is vital as we prepare our home for women returning to our community.

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Total *Life Recovery Bibles* Distributed:  
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Total Bible Study Workbooks Distributed:  
**34,217**

—VOLUNTEERS—

Pen Pal Volunteers: 7

Office Volunteers: 48

Prayer Group Volunteers: 4

Stepping Stones Volunteers: 14

Jail Ministry Team Volunteers: 13

Special Event Volunteers: 150

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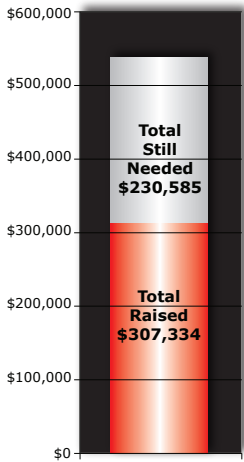
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# Patsy's Place



## What YOU Can Do to Make Patsy's Place a Reality

It will cost a total of \$537,919 to purchase the building and renovate the upper level for Patsy's Place. We've raised over \$307,000 but still have \$231,000 to go.

## "Give a Hand, Buy a Foot"

With our "Give a Hand, Buy a Foot" program, you will help us, literally, provide Patsy's Place foot by foot. Fifty dollars will renovate one square foot of property to provide a loving Christian home for women desiring to re-enter our community as godly and productive members. Individuals and groups will be encouraged to renovate a room for the house, in their name or in honor of a loved one. Please contact the Sharing Hope office for more information about how you can be a founding member of this program. A permanent display will honor all donors.

## What Your Gift Would Provide

As we begin work on Patsy's Place, there are specific construction projects your donation can fund:

- \$26,000 would provide the Living Room
- \$25,000 would provide the Educational Center
- \$16,500 would provide the Kitchen/Dining Room
- ~~\$10,000 would provide the Chapel~~ - PROVIDED
- \$6,000 would provide a Bedroom – need 12
- \$3,600 would provide the Laundry Room
- \$2,500 would provide a Counseling Room – need 2
- \$1,100 would provide a Storage Closet.

You can't provide an entire room? No problem! Provide as many square feet as you can and we'll combine your gift with other donors as we work together to reach our goal of providing a safe and stable Christian home for women to learn the new skills for living.

**Thank you to Scott and Gloria Herrick for providing the chapel and for the generous support of the Gilliland Foundation for their assistance towards the renovation of Patsy's Place.**



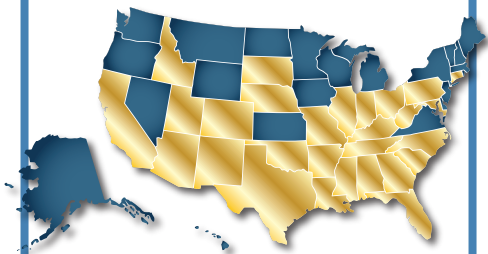
## "Your Change to Make a Change" CAMPAIGN

### A Challenge from a Sharing Hope Volunteer

*There is nothing like a little friendly competition to keep things interesting as we raise money for Patsy's Place. The idea is to collect all of your spare change for the next few months. You can raise money as a family or by teams. I challenge all the other Sharing Hope Ministry volunteer teams (office workers, jail Ministry teams, Stepping Stones, prayer team) to a competition. I also encourage everyone to get your kids, family members, co-workers and friends involved. This will be a great way to let them know what Sharing Hope Ministry is about and I think we'll all be surprised by how much we collect in a short period of time. The team raising the most money will earn "bragging rights" and be featured in the Sharing Hope Ministry newsletter. Thanks for your support as we make Patsy's Place a reality ~ Connie Garrett, Potter County Jail Ministry Leader*

Contact the Sharing Hope office if "Your Change to Make a Change" label hasn't arrived in the mail or if you need additional labels. Place this label on any container you want to use to collect your change. The challenge will end on November 1, 2009. There will be several drop-off locations where you may bring donations, including the Sharing Hope Ministry office or the "Christmas in October" gift and craft Show at the South Exhibit Hall of the Civic Center, October 24th and 25th. Remember, your change will be instrumental in helping a searching woman learn how to change her destructive behavior through a relationship with Christ.

## EXPANDING OUR BORDERS!



*My addiction problems go way back to when I was 12 yrs old. I'm now 32 and have three children. I know I need to get right with God so the addiction doesn't repeat itself as it did from my mother to me. My children deserve better. Would you send me the Life Recovery Bible and studies? I've borrowed a friend's and it is amazing! Thanks, Shana J.*

A monthly donation of as little as \$15 (\$180 a year) will provide a *Life Recovery Bible* and Bible study materials to a qualified woman. These women are searching for help as they build a new life in Christ. There are several ways to donate to Sharing Hope Ministry. Visit our website at [www.sharinghopeministry.org](http://www.sharinghopeministry.org) to print a donor form or contact us to set up an automatic monthly donation to be deducted from your account, eliminating the hassle of writing and mailing checks. The office also accepts MasterCard and VISA.

**More questions about Sharing Hope Ministry?**

**Check us out at**  
[www.sharinghopeministry.org](http://www.sharinghopeministry.org)

# Christmas in October



**October 24th and 25th  
at the South Exhibit Hall  
of the Civic Center.**

The "Christmas In October" gift and craft show" is another great opportunity to help Sharing Hope continue assisting incarcerated women and those in recovery. They can overcome destructive behavior when we share God's love and hope through His Word and as we equip them with necessary life skills.

There are a wide variety of booths at the "Christmas in October" event which offer gifts and handmade crafts. This is a fun way to get started on the holiday season. While you are there, plan to stop by and see the beautiful Sharing Hope quilt. A \$2 donation gives you a chance to take this wonderful quilt home. Have you heard about our bake sale? You will be amazed at the sea of fabulous food. This is a fabulous event because of the wonderful volunteers that work so hard to make is special. Check out the "Christmas In October" Volunteer Opportunities to learn how you can be involved.

## Christmas In October Volunteer Opportunities

There will be many volunteer opportunities and we would love for you to call the Sharing Hope office at 358-7803 to let us know where you would like to serve. We are looking for volunteers in the following areas:

- Sponsors willing to underwrite \$500 or more to cover expenses for the "Christmas in October" fundraiser. Our goal is for all proceeds to benefit the ministry. A sponsor packet is available to anyone interested in helping underwrite the expenses of this event. Please contact the office at 358-7803 for more information.
- Volunteers to place promotional posters in area businesses.
- Gift cards from Hobby Lobby for "Christmas in October" supplies.
- Workers during the event.
- Those who can provide items for the bake sale.
- Women to make bows before the event.
- Helpers to decorate the bake sale items on Friday, October 23rd.
- Women to provide Christmas and autumn containers, cellophane (clear only please), decorations and wired-ribbon for the bake sale.
- People to pay for the event and the volunteers involved in planning.





## Sharing Hope Ministry Has Several Needs:

- ❖ Speaking opportunities~ Let us speak to your women's club or civic group.
- ❖ Volunteers to do data entry for 1-2 hour a week.
- ❖ Volunteers to help with our Bible study program.
- ❖ Paper towels, copy paper, large trash bags for the office



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