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Sharing Hope Ministry

Community Garden Reveal



7th St. Garden of Hope

This Spring, Sharing Hope Ministry has gone GREEN. The ministry opened the 7th St. Garden

of Hope on May 9th, which is an exciting community resource and endeavor for all of us. The 7th St. Garden of Hope is a community garden for purposes of connecting, growing, feeding and educating while promoting healing and beautification of a neighborhood that has been in decline. You are invited to come and see the garden. Many hands have helped bring this dream to reality, but we'd like to give special thanks to the Food Bank's Garden for their assistance, seeds and plants, Jeff's Greenhouse for donations of plants, Panhandle Organics for their organic supplements, Randy Hall with RGH Landscapes for mulch, Hillside Christian Church's middle school youth group who constructed the fence and the men and women who built the raised beds.

The next step is installing the rain water collection tanks, which is currently underway! Thanks to the incredible blessings from Amarillo Area Foundation, Hillside Christian Church's Faithbuilders and Josephine Anderson Charitable Trust, these collection tanks will allow the garden to be watered via rain water, saving cost and waste. The 7th Street Garden of Hope will offer sustainability and hope for a happy, healthy future to all who take advantage of its benefits. Please continue to pray for this incredible project!



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—STATISTICS—

Total Life Recovery Bibles Distributed:
118,520

Total Bible Study Workbooks Distributed:
56,660

—VOLUNTEERS—

Fundraising Volunteers: **150**

Jail Ministry Volunteers: **13**

Office Volunteers: **45**

Patsy's Place Volunteers: **19**

Pen Pal Volunteers: **3**

Prayer Group Volunteers: **10**

Stepping Stones Volunteers: **6**

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Calling All Experienced Seamstresses

Every woman that enters Patsy's Place is greeted with a beautiful handmade robe. Lota is the volunteer in charge and she needs help! See her "ad" below and contact her if you can join the team.

"I NEED WOMEN WITH SOME EXPERIENCE SEWING AND CUTTING FABRIC USING PATTERNS. WE WILL HAVE A CUTTING SESSION TO CUT OUT ROBES FOR OUR WOMEN AT PATSY'S PLACE. ELECTRIC SCISSORS ARE A MUST. IF ANYONE HAS ELECTRIC SCISSORS THAT WE CAN BORROW, THAT WOULD BE GREAT! WE ALSO NEED EXPERIENCED SEAMSTRESSES WHO KNOW HOW TO USE A SERGER MACHINE TO SEW THE ROBES ONCE CUT OUT."

If you might be interested or have questions, please contact Lota Taylor: 355-3222

Celebrating Freedom at Hope Fest 2015



Chad Williams wow'd the audience with his story of seeking the ultimate reward in the wrong places and later discovering Christ as his source of freedom. Chad reiterated what a gift Jesus' sacrifice is for us and that HE is the only true source of freedom. He was an amazing speaker. Patsy's Place performed a demonstration of "Breaking Chains," which is a reminder that no matter what sin we're in bondage to, Christ breaks those chains. Their performance brought a tearful audience out of their seats with a standing ovation. Your support helps these women achieve success through the program.



**There's power in the name of Jesus
To break every chain
Jesus Culture: Break Every Chain**

Thank You

Your support of
Hope Fest 2015 is greatly appreciated.
We couldn't do it without you!

Hope Fest Committee

Benita Brown, Ersela Demerson, Vian Elms, J'Melle Fletcher, April Riggs, Gloria Herrick, Kim Hutchens, Amy Kirk, Kim Lester, Leigh Link, Becky Logsdon and Rosemary Robinson

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APRIL was VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION MONTH

Community Service Day: April 18 To celebrate National Volunteer Week, Sharing Hope Ministry hosted a service day. Individuals and groups came from the community to perform various duties such as assembling the community garden, spring cleaning Patsy's Place and sending prayer cards and notes of encouragement to prospective Patsy's Place residents. We even had several children join in on the fun and create masterpieces to take home after the event.



A special thanks to the following for your hearts of service and effort you put into the service day: WT Small Group Communication, Victory Outreach, First Presbyterian Church, Redeemer Christian Church, Tascosa Road Fellowship, the ladies of Patsy's Place and several individual volunteers. You blessed this ministry in many ways!



Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon: April 24

Thank you to all of the volunteers who attended the luncheon! It was a success with around 80 volunteers in attendance, a delicious lunch from Pescaraz and a year of highlights given by April Riggs. It's amazing what is accomplished through your hands including the gift of over 10,000 Bibles to hurting women, mentorship to over 20 women at Patsy's Place and over eight thousand hours of volunteer hours doing everything from office work to jail ministry. There aren't enough ways to say it, but THANK YOU.



Potter Co. Jail Annual Chili Cook Off: March

For the third year, Potter Co. Jail hosted a fundraiser benefiting Sharing Hope Ministry, the famous Chili Cook Off! The food was delicious and the shooting practice was a BLAST.

Thank you, Potter Co. Jail!



SAVE THE DATE

Christmas In October

October 24-25

Sponsors & Volunteers Needed!

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Lace up and get ready for the 2nd annual race benefiting Patsy's Place Transitional Home.
We had so much fun last year and hope you will get involved this year.

Entry starts at only \$20! Don't miss out.

Visit www.patsysplacrace.org