

# Volunteer Newsletter

# Holding Out Hope



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## *Newsletter for Volunteers*

Hope House Mission has celebrated its 30<sup>th</sup> year of community impact here in Middletown, OH this year. As a new change and way to communicate with our volunteers, we have started a monthly volunteer newsletter.

This publication “Holding Out Hope” will be emailed to all volunteers in our volunteer management system. You will be able to see volunteer stories, volunteer opportunities, and announcements about new things coming up with our shelters!

Holding Out Hope is designed to empower and inform volunteers at Hope House Mission to be servant learners.

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## *We've Moved!*

Hope House Mission's Men's Center is officially at 1001 Grove Street in Middletown! We are excited to let you know that we are all moved and settled in at our new facility. We are grateful to the Lord for this new space to be able to serve others better and take steps toward breaking the cycle of poverty and despair one life at a time.

One of the ways we are able to help break the cycle is by having the 30 permanent supportive housing units at our facility. The wrap around services that are available for the men in these apartments lets them have a longer time to work on root issues that may be causing the cycle of poverty in their lives.

The women's center is still at 1300 Girard Ave. in Middletown. We will continue to serve up to 40 women and children there.

“Cast all your  
anxiety on him  
because he cares  
for you.”  
1 Peter 5:7

Click on the picture below to start the video update on COVID-19 and volunteer roles during this time.



## *COVID-19 and Volunteer Roles*

Please abide by our volunteer guidelines set in place by our partner City Gospel Mission. You can find those updated guidelines [here](#).

You can volunteer by providing meals for the shelter residents and dropping them off. For more information and a drop off date and time, email [hhamlin@hhmission.org](mailto:hhamlin@hhmission.org).

You can donate hygiene and cleaning supply items for our shelter residents such as body wash, wash cloths, lysol spray, bleach, paper towel, etc. To schedule a drop off date and time, email [hhamlin@hhmission.org](mailto:hhamlin@hhmission.org).

## Volunteer Spotlight

The Volunteer Spotlight this month is Angie Miller. Angie has been volunteering with Hope House for many years. She has helped in a variety of ways including teaching a class, front desk, serving lunch, and other things, but the most important thing Angie does is prays for and with the ladies and staff at Hope House.

Angie says after leaving full time nursing, “It truly was God’s calling me into the purposes He had for me. To be a light in my community, to make Him more visible. I have a heart for women to know their identity in Christ and to help them know and understand His great love and purpose for them. It is pretty amazing how we grow, and He uses that growth to help others do the same. I am not doing anything extraordinary, only doing what He purposed for me.”

Each month we will highlight a volunteer at Hope House who is embodying a servant learner attitude and empowering others to do so as well! Volunteer Spotlights are to encourage and celebrate our volunteers, and to give others a chance to know who is on our volunteer team!

## Upcoming Volunteer Opportunities



Above: Volunteers making beds in preparation for the men to move in.



Angie Miller and her husband David participating in a service project to build a privacy fence at the women’s center.

- Volunteer for Whole Foods produce pick up. Pick up from Whole Foods Mason weekly on Sunday mornings between 6:30 a.m. – 7:30 a.m. and drop off at shelter.
- Your family or group can get on a monthly rotation for providing meals to the men or women and children. Click [here](#) for details on meals.  
\*Drop off for meals only at this time.



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Save the date for our annual Chick-fil-A 5k! This year the 5k Run/Walk and Family Fun Run is scheduled for August 8<sup>th</sup>. You will not want to miss out on the festivities! Music, prizes, cows, and more, Chick-fil-A puts on a fantastic event benefitting Hope House!

## Support Hope House Mission

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- Use the same account on Amazon.com and AmazonSmile. Your shopping cart, Wish List, wedding or baby registry, and other settings are also the same.
- On your first visit select Hope House Rescue Mission Inc. (Middletown) to receive donations from eligible purchases before you begin shopping. It will remember your organization each time you sign in.

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- Click Kroger Community Rewards, search for "Hope House" and select it from the list.
- Use your registered Kroger Plus Card every time you shop at Kroger. Your purchases will earn cash for the mission.