The Women and Family Emergency Shelter

Domestic Violence, illness, job loss...in times of crisis, the Women & Family Emergency Shelter is there. Each day we house more than 300 women and families and start them on the path to stability with:

- Referrals for housing, social services and substance abuse recovery.
- Chapel services and Bible studies to introduce women and families to the never-failing love of God.
- Guidance and support to begin healing emotional scars.
- Children’s and teen’s programs, educational help and daycare.

New Horizons

Our most exciting new program, New Horizons, provides a supportive environment for program graduates to thrive and grow, and helps graduates avoid a return to homelessness by addressing the most common mistakes they could make. Support includes:

- A community of support including case management and social activities.
- Accountability and emotional support in sobriety because loneliness and isolation often lead to relapse.
- A rental and childcare subsidy which decreases each year as a family becomes more established in their new way of life.
- Classes to promote better money management, so men and women can learn to budget, save and use their new pay checks wisely.

The Doris & Carloss Morris Men’s Development Center

The Men’s Development Center provides homeless men with wholesome food, safe shelter, and short- and long-term Spiritual Recovery Programs that include: Spiritual skills classes, to ground each man in the Word of God and Christ-centered living, the best relapse prevention of all.

- Alcohol and drug education to combat addictive behavior.
- Work therapy, tutoring, career development and employment assistance to prepare men for productive, fulfilling work.
- Life skills classes, to teach them basic life knowledge many never had, so they can pursue independent living.

The Randy & Kathy Tabor Transitional Living Center

It takes time to break the generational cycles of abuse, neglect and addiction that traps so many families. The Transitional Living Center’s intense program offers women and families new hope through:

- A 12-18month case management-based program that includes personal development, parenting skills and spiritual life classes, helping each woman and child realize their unique value to God and discover His plan for their lives.
- TCADA licensed intensive substance abuse recovery program.
- Career Development and education to help families set and achieve employment goals.
- A state-licensed Children’s Program, including child care, preschool and after-school activities and homework assistance, and Teen’s Program, focusing on education and healthy living patterns.

Recipient Frequently Asked Questions

Star of Hope is a Christ-centered community dedicated to meeting the needs of homeless men, women and their children. Positive life changes are encouraged through structured programs which focus on spiritual growth, education, employment, life management and recovery from substance abuse.
Frequently Asked Questions

What is Glad Tidings Adopt-A-Family Program?
It is a program designed to help struggling families celebrate the holiday season by connecting them with individuals, small groups, businesses and organizations who adopt them for the Christmas holiday season and personally deliver gifts.

Who can apply for Glad Tidings Adopt-A-Family Program?
Families with a child or children that meet the income guidelines. Our definition of family includes, intact families, single parent households, and non-traditional families. The income guidelines are based on net monthly income not exceeding the predetermined totals and they are as follows: Family of 2 - $1335; family of 3 - $1680; family of 4 - $2025; family of 5 - $2370; family of 6 - $2715; family of 7 - $3060; family of 8 or more - $3408. You may apply online at www.sohmission.org/adopt-a-family. Your application will not be submitted until all required documents have been submitted and you have report in person for your in person appointment.

*figures based on the most recent US poverty guideline report

What information will I be required to provide?
You will need to provide the following in order to be considered for Glad Tidings Adopt-A-Family Program: a handwritten or typed letter stating your current situation; a copy of each child’s birth certificate; a copy of valid Texas ID/DL; copy of most current electric bill and phone bill; last four check stubs or tax return filed earlier this year; copy of award letters that apply to your family’s income (SS/SSDI, unemployment, TANF, Food Stamps, Child Support, Alimony/ Spousal Support and/or rental subsidy; and a Gift Idea List for each family member.

What will the donor receive about my family?
The donor will receive a brief summary regarding your families current situation along with your contact information, names, ages and clothing sizes of each child.

What happens if I decide that I no longer want to participate in Glad Tidings Adopt-A-Family Program?
We ask that you let us know as soon as possible if you decide that you no longer wish to participate in the Glad Tidings Adopt-A-Family Program. At the latest, we ask that you inform us no later than, December 1st.

What should I do if I have questions or concerns?
For all questions concerning Glad Tidings Adopt-A-Family Program and/or donors, please call Michelle Jones with Star of Hope- Extended Services at 281-703-3181.

Dates and Deadlines
Oct. 31st - Nov. 4th: Staff of Hope will be working on matching Donor and Recipients.
Nov. 5th - 11th: Donors will begin receiving their Recipient (families); Emails will be sent to Donors with the families registration information.
Nov. 8th - 18th: Donors contact their Recipients (family) to ask questions, build rapport and set up time/place for drop of gifts.
Dec. 1st: You must notify Extended Services by December 1st if you are unable to participate in Glad Tidings Adopt-A-Family.
Dec. 14th - 21st: All deliveries should be made no later than December 21st, unless otherwise arranged with the family/individual and approved by Star of Hope Staff.
Dec. 29th - Jan. 31st: Follow up calls/emails/surveys to donors and recipient families to get vital feedback for future planning/ preparation/program adjustments. Thank You for your heart of giving and have a Merry CHRISTmas and a Happy New Year.

What can I expect if I am adopted?
We cannot guarantee any specific gift or specific number of gifts that your family will receive. Each family member should receive at least one gift.

When can I apply to be adopted?
Registration will open on October 1st and close on October 15th. If your family has been adopted, you will be contacted by your donor by November 18th. You will need to register on-line first AND then you will need to report to a specified location in person to submit the required documents.

What if they ask to take pictures with my family?
Photos are fine with your consent. Be mindful that some individuals may wish for the photos to be published in brochures or advertisements. Please make sure that you clearly communicate with your donor if you do not wish to have your photos taken or published.

Is there a limit to the size of gift, gift value or number of gifts I am allowed to request?
While we do not place limits on the size of gifts, gift value or number of gifts requested, the donor is under no obligation to purchase everything on the Gift Idea List or large ticket items.

What should you do if you have not heard from your donor by November 18th?
You may contact Star of Hope - Extended Services beginning November 20th. You may contact Michelle Jones with Star of Hope-Extended Services and notify us of the situation so that we can determine if other arrangements need to be made. You may email (Ljones@sohmission.org), text (281-703-3181) or call (281-703-3181) to express your concerns.

How are the gifts distributed?
Donors will contact you to schedule a date and time for the donor to deliver the gifts to your family. The donor will be responsible for wrapping and delivering the gifts. If at any time you or the donor become uncomfortable with the location of the delivery, a mutually agreed upon public location can be designated as the location for the gift exchange.

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