



Dear Sir / Ma'am:

For more than 18 years Mary's House has opened her doors to over two hundred chronically homeless women and their children to create opportunities for learning, healing and stability. This program has empowered many women and preserved their families. Today Mary's House continues this mission and is one of the few programs in the United States that allows the children to live with the mother while she is in treatment and rebuilding her family's lives. All phases of treatment at Mary's House are centered and grounded in achieving long term sobriety. This year, we lost part of our funding due to a change in HUD's focus on the "Housing First Initiative." However, we kept to our mission of continuing to serve the residents with transitional housing. Through transitional housing residents gain resources, classes, positive parenting skills, and employable skills over time before transitioning to permanent housing –we believe all people have worth and dignity.

Throughout the years Mary's House has:

- 96% of our residents maintained their sobriety.
- Maintained a 90% exit to permanent housing and the residents after 24 months continued to be accountable for their own housing.
- seen 39 sober babies born.
- assisted in 13 reunifications out of 18 Department of Social Services cases at 72%.

Mary's House needs your help and the assistance of the community to continue taking these parents and their children into a better quality of life. Mary's House has a goal of \$150,000.00 which will allow us to continue providing exceptional opportunities to parents who have made the commitment of sobriety and parenting their children. To make a gift to Mary's House, Inc. please complete the attached reply card and return it in the envelope provided. You may also give online by visiting www.maryshousegso.org and clicking on the "Donate Now" sign in the right top corner.

Thank you in advance for your generous support of Mary's House and our parents. With your gift, we can look forward to more years of success

With Warm Regards,

Jacqueline Phillips, MS, M.Ed., LCASA
Executive Director

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