

Humility of Mary Shelter, Inc.

Emergency shelter for adult men and women

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Humility of Mary Shelter, Inc. provides emergency shelter, transitional and permanent supportive housing programs that offer opportunities for men and women experiencing homelessness to become emotionally, mentally and physically more stable.

I am a current resident at shelter. I had an accident for which I ended up having surgery on my ankle. I now have pins and screws and was stuck in a wheelchair. Not a very good way to be; being homeless and living outdoors. The hospital got in touch with Amber here at shelter; no other shelter wanted the liability issue. Thank God for this shelter. I came to the shelter August 20th, **after a week's stay in the hospital.** Before my accident I was not doing good. I was working construction part time and on my feet a lot. I did not have control of my life at all. I was drinking pretty regularly, living outdoors and depressed all the time. Breaking my ankle and coming to the shelter was a good thing for me. There is a counselor here for support named Kathleen. There are also counselors that come in twice a week at night and there is all kinds of positive encouragement here. This place has been a great place for me, and I am getting control of my life again. I am out of the wheelchair, going to meetings for alcohol, involved again in church and working. The staff here is helpful in giving you a push - Larry and Amber are good for this. My coordinator, Jess, helped me so much with all kinds of information, job searches, medical referrals and more. Things are looking up for me.



Chris and his Emergency Shelter Service Coordinator, Jess

~Chris C, Transitional Housing participant

Since writing his story, Chris has been accepted into Humility of Mary Shelter's Transitional Housing Program; a 24 month program.



I originally came to the shelter when I was down and out. I had nowhere else to go and so I turned to the shelter. During this time I went through a depression. I was connected with my service coordinator, Alex, at that time. She worked with me to set goals and gave me some hope. **She made a referral for me to the Veteran's Transitional Housing Program, which is a 24 month program.** Once I met with Erin, things really started to look up for me. I knew that I was getting the support and the direction that I needed. I was feeling positive for the first time in a long time. In order to get through this program, you have to

“mean what you say and say what you mean.” You have to take the initiative. While staying at the shelter, all the staff were welcoming and there if I ever needed any help or guidance. When I transitioned into my own apartment, I was referred to the VALOR program and they were also helpful. They were able to assist me with my deposit and food to start off with in my own place. I have a special thanks for all of the staff at Humility of Mary Shelter, Inc.

~Ricky L, former HMSI participant

Donor Honor Roll - These donors were inadvertently left out of our 2013 Annual Report. Please accept our sincere apology; this was due to an error in combining our Birdies for Charity and United Way gifts with our new GiftWorks software.

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Birdies ^{for} Charity



A total of 2,142 birdies were scored during the 2013 John Deere Classic. Thanks to 151 paid pledges, we received a gift of \$8,163.32 in paid pledges. With an 10% bonus match from the John Deere Classic we added \$816.33 to that creating a grand total of

\$8,979.65!

Thank you John Deere Classic and YOU, our generous donors.



This annual event was held on October 4-5 at Modern Woodmen Park in Davenport.

190 attendees - 100 stayed overnight

\$11,731.43 was raised by our community to support Humility of Mary Shelter.

This is a 27% increase from last year!

Doug Page Spirit Award

Kevin Gibbs, from THE National Bank, is a new volunteer with the SleepOut. Kevin joined the volunteer team at Humility of Mary Shelter in March 2013 and quickly hit the ground running with marketing ideas. Our success with increasing attendance by 50% is due in large part to Kevin's hard work and dedication to the SleepOut.

Congratulations Kevin!

Kevin Gibbs, holding the Doug Page Spirit Award



The purpose of the Doug Page Spirit Award is to recognize a Night at the Shelter - SleepOut volunteer who, by their actions, demonstrates: generosity, a calm demeanor, loyalty, sincere love without fanfare and a tireless desire to support the homeless in our community. Doug Page was a founder of the SleepOut and an amazing advocate for the homeless and Humility of Mary Shelter. Doug lost his battle with cancer just before our first SleepOut in 2012.

Top Fundraisers

Youth Division

Sarah Shenhan

Adult Division

Kevin Gibbs
Bill Durand
Connie Coopman

Group Division

Friends of Girl Scout Troop 8504
Ambrosians for Peace and Justice
Pfeiffer Family

Top Fundraisers received a Faithful Quilt Award at a November 7th award ceremony.



Build Your Own Shelter

Anthony Holmes
Pfeiffer Family
Kimberly Walljasper
Payton Coopman
St. Ambrose Psychology Club
Team Bechtel
Edwards United Church of Christ
Christ Church Endeavor Boys

Each of the above Build Your Own Shelter winners received a one of a kind award created by Jim Lay and Alcoa



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SPECIAL THANKS
to our Night at the Shelter - SleepOut 2013 Planning Committee

- Patti Jo Brown
- Brittany Carter
- Connie Coopman
- Kay Ann Criswell
- Lindsay Deckert
- Paul Elias
- Kevin Gibbs
- Janine Johnson
- John Robinson

Julie Bockenstedt
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VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Teach Life Skills Classes Share your expertise with small groups who want to learn job-search, budgeting, self-help or computer skills. Class scheduling is flexible.

Supply Drives Sponsor collections of items we need regularly, e.g. coffee, paper products.

****Great for students****

Haircuts/Personal services Contribute *pro bono* services our program participants can't afford, e.g. cosmetology services, portrait photography or another professional service. This can be one-time or regularly scheduled.

Flower Bed Maintenance A team or individual can beautify our grounds on a weekly/monthly basis with this seasonal work.

Deep Cleaning A team, couple or individual extends the reach of our maintenance workers on a one-time or a monthly basis. We can easily accommodate large groups for special projects.

Drivers Program participants without transportation could use the assistance for special events or daily functioning. Opportunities are available either when special needs arise or on a regular basis.

Property Upkeep Apartments we manage need regular maintenance, repainting, yard work and special improvement projects.

Donation Pick-up & Processing Help us acquire and utilize the support the public shares with us. With both individual and group opportunities for this work, commitment on a recurring basis is useful.

Development Committee members of the committee are responsible for coordinating fundraising and public awareness events to support the services of Humility of Mary Shelter, Inc. Committee meets monthly throughout the year for one hour and more when needed.

SleepOut Committee members of the committee work on the annual event, SleepOut. An event designed to raise awareness about homelessness in the QC community and raises funds to help provide beds and support for homeless persons served at Humility of Mary Shelter, Inc. Committee meets monthly May through October for one hour and more frequently as the event gets closer.

Donations Needed

1016 West 5th Street, Davenport Shelter is always in need of the following items that we provide free to our ADULT participants: deodorant, shampoo, conditioner, bath soap, toilet paper, dish soap, coffee, towels, wash-cloths, sheets and blankets. We also accept new or gently used IN SEASON adult clothing such as socks, under garments, jeans, sweatshirts, long sleeve shirts, coats and shoes.

To see our full Wish List visit:
www.humilityofmaryshelter.com

In an effort to be good stewards of your donation, please refrain from bringing donations outside of our Wish List to the shelter. We do not have a retail store and disposing of these items is costly.

We DO NOT ACCEPT - children's toys or clothing (we only serve adults), knick-knacks or household decorations, out of season clothing, books, magazines, sporting equipment, make-up or jewelry.
Any furniture is by prior arrangement only

What's New at the Shelter?

Humility of Mary Shelter, Inc. has recently welcomed Genesis Navigators to our building. The Affordable Care Act has given a part of our population the opportunity to access health care. Along with this accessibility have come a lot of questions. We have been fortunate that Genesis Health Systems has made their Navigators available to our participants and staff. The Genesis Navigators have been coming to shelter once a week, meeting with willing participants and educating the staff about eligibility requirements and Iowa's expanded Medicaid plan. Starting on October 31st, the Genesis Navigator's have been available at the shelter to enroll eligible participants.

The SOAR Program is also a new addition to the services provided to the participants staying in shelter. This program was mentioned in our Annual Report, but we recently were able to hire a full time Service Coordinator for the program. SOAR is a national project sponsored by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) designed to help eligible persons access Social Security income and disability benefits. SOAR was created specifically for persons who are homeless or at risk of homelessness and have a mental illness and/or a co-occurring substance use disorder. The SOAR program has been highly successful nationwide. We are excited to add this program to the many services that we provide.

Since August our staff has completed the following continuing education training: Trauma Informed Care, Human Trafficking, Mental Health 101 and Drug Free Workplace.

Our new staff for 2013 include:



Jen Lyons is a QC native and resides in Davenport. Jen has her BA in Psychology and her Masters of Social Work from the University of Iowa. She is dedicated to helping others live as independently as possible meeting the goals that her participants choose.



Jeni McGuire graduated from Augustana College in 2005 with a Bachelors in Business. She spent a couple of years working in banking, before going into the non-profit field where she has spent the last 5 years. Jeni is currently working on her MBA thru the University of Iowa. The little bit of free time she has is spent with her 3 year old daughter, Ellie.



Tim Duncombe started as a part-time monitor and in early September, was hired full time as a Facility and Support Service employee. Tim is a QC native and enjoys spending time with his german shepherd, Nash.



Michelle Stebly received her degree in Social Work from the University of Wisconsin. She previously worked with adults with developmental disabilities. When Michelle is not working, she enjoys spending time with her family, cheering on the Green Bay Packers and photography.



Karla Sweeney is a graduate of Iowa State University and is our newest Service Coordinator with our VALOR program. Karla is married to a soldier, Abe, and they are expecting their first baby in January.

**Not Pictured: Jodi Beechum-Kelly, Tim Kelly, Jennifer Berteloth, Wes Frennell and Brad Boyles all joined our team of monitors. They each bring their own skills and talents to the HMSI team. Welcome!



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CHALLENGE GRANT UPDATE

In April 2013 the Congregation of the Humility of Mary announced a challenge grant with a goal of raising \$250,000 for Humility of Mary Shelter, Inc. The Congregation will match \$100,000 of this goal. To date, \$159,338 has been received and we need just \$90,662 before the April 30, 2014 deadline.

Thank you to all who have contributed to the challenge. Please consider a gift before December 31 to help us reach our goal and to help you with a tax break.



Pat Rogers (left), John Watts and Adrian English present Humility of Mary Shelter with a \$1,000 check. Pat, John and Adrian are the owners of Glass Heritage, LLC. in Davenport. Thank you for your generous support!