



# Keeping In Touch

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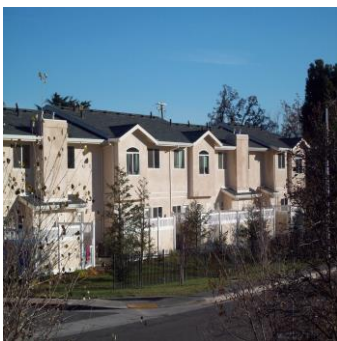
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Families in need... "For the poor will never cease from the land; therefore I command you, saying, 'You shall open your hand wide to your brother, to your poor and your needy, in your land. Deuteronomy 15:11

Prayer Needs:

- ✓ Staff
- ✓ Families
- ✓ Unity
- ✓ Wisdom, Mercy , Grace
- ✓ Protection
- ✓ Receptive Hearts



## The Dream Has Become Reality -Home

### Francis Court: Transitional Housing

**Francis Court is coming up on its 4<sup>th</sup> year in February! It has been wonderful to see all of the the families reach personal goals and accomplishments and watch them grow as their lives change while they move towards success. We are rewarded every time one of our graduates come back for a visit and shares what more they have achieved after going out on their own.**

**Since we opened our doors in February 2006 we have housed 197 people, this means that 124 children and 73 adults.**

**Some of our families accomplishments include:**

- **40 adults have successfully completed alcohol and drug programs**
- **71 children have returned home to their parents from out of home placement (foster care)**
- **29 families have graduated our program and 18 have been out one year and 90% of them remain successfully employed and in permanent housing.**

**In the spring we applied for two grants through McConnell Fund, Shasta Regional Community Foundation, the first was for a learning/computer center in our community room and the second was for \$15,000 for maintenance of services.**

**We are pleased to announce that we were awarded both!**

Another exciting event in October was our 1<sup>st</sup> annual “Graduation Celebration” fundraiser dinner and silent auction. It was a very special event for our graduates. It was awesome to see the support from everyone and to see different churches and people interacting! It was heart warming to hear from about the experiences and accomplishments of our graduates. We are looking forward to next year’s event and would like to encourage everyone to start thinking of items for the silent auction.



## A “Special” thank you to our supporters

### *POTLUCK!!*

*We are looking for churches or social groups to be willing to sponsor a monthly potluck. All the necessary paper goods and menu would be organized by the group. The resident families would also participate by bringing a dish of their choice or as directed by the church or club. If you are interested please give Monique a call at 242-1492 or 242-1121*



Everyone knows that it takes a lot of people to run a transitional house, not just the employees but the community. We are extremely blessed by everyone who supports our program throughout the year.

I would like to give an acknowledgement to all of the churches that have been with us from the beginning, they not only help with the household items but they also put on wonderful barbecues, holiday celebrations and give general support and thoughtfulness to our families throughout the year.

Also thank you to the following; private donators, the liaisons from Cypress School and Juniper Academy, Public Health, Therapy Associates, National University interns, and to all of the people that come to Francis Court to support our families.



The holiday season is right around the corner. Every year our families are blessed to be adopted by families in the community through the Adopt A Family program through Northern Valley Social Services. If you are interested in finding out more about this program, please contact me at 242-1121

Monique Taylor, Case Manager

**Volunteers Needed: Budgeting Classes, Marriage Mentors, Jobs Skills, Life Skills, Parenting Skills, Child Care, Week-End Bible Studies—Adults/Children**

***We need your prayers to make Francis Court even better. If you can help, let us know. If you can pray for us, even better! It has been almost 4 years since we started accepting families in Francis Court. All the families have had changes thrust upon them. Some have been really tough. But you can see that we are changing hearts and lives “One at a time.” Robert Scott, Executive Director.***

