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## February Newsletter



### Message from the Executive Director

Hello and welcome to February! The last several weeks at Hope's Path have been busy and filled with excitement in and around the home. From new volunteers getting their feet wet, new mentor and intern relationships starting to form, and interns like Jaysen, getting fit and healthy by working out every day and starting a new hobby: target shooting! It seems like there is never a dull day at Hope's Path. In addition to the previously mentioned excitement, the Thursday night life skills class has begun a new study on the book "The W.O.W. Factor" by local author John Shibley. This book study on Winning offers tactical and practical tools, strategies, and testimonies for claiming victory in their lives! These books were donated by Mr. Shibley and the interns are learning so much already!

The next several weeks and months will be teaming with activity at Hope's Path. We will have one intern graduating (more on that in a future newsletter) and a few new interns beginning their journey here. And of course, one of our best events of the year is coming up...OUR THIRD ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT! Please take the time to scan the QR code on the flyer or visit our webpage at [www.hopespath.org/golf](http://www.hopespath.org/golf) to get more information on how you can participate and/or be a sponsor. The previous two golf tournaments have been very successful, and we are praying for a Grand Slam...err...Hole In One for this year's annual tournament. There will be food, fun, and even the chance to win \$1,000,000!

Please keep praying for us as we continue this journey at Hope's Path. Pray for our interns and that the Lord gives them the daily strength needed to work towards independence. Pray for our staff to successfully mentor, lead, and coach these young men to be the best versions of themselves; it's not always easy. As always, thank you for your commitment, and belief in our mission and the young men we serve. Have a wonderful rest of your month!

God Bless,

## Mentor and Volunteer Highlights

### Meet Mentor Mai Phan

A shared residential environment provides a calmer, more supportive environment where individuals find shared experiences to help heal. Our interns build bonds and friendships, allowing them to test and work through challenges and celebrate successes. Our mentorship initiative at Hope's Path promotes this sense of belonging through collaboration, prayer, and sharing of life experiences. Our interns realize that they are not alone in their journey.

Hope's Path is excited to introduce Mai Phan. Mai is a USA Boxing official and boxing coach. On January 14, 2023, Mai placed 1st in running and 3rd overall female shooter in Texas at an Old Eighteen Defense (OED) Run and Gun competition in the Texas Hill Country. Using her skills as a competitive shooter, Mai spent time with Jaysen at the Blackwood Shooting Club in Conroe, Tx. last month. Mai is more than an athlete. She has a big heart for serving others. When asked what her mentorship experience with Jaysen has meant to her, she stated, "mentorship has allowed me to be enlightened by Jaysen's unique attributes developed during his life journey. As we cultivated resiliency, communication, and adaptability to help guide him to his success of happiness-it has been one of the many golden rewards of the mentorship."

Hope's Path young men thrive when adults care about them as individuals, and they have a sense of belonging to a caring community at Hope's Path. Recently, our Program Director, Ted MacVaugh, asked Jaysen what Mai's mentorship has meant to him and his individual growth. "Since I've met Mai, it has opened me to a world of new kindness and possibilities. I never truly expected a mentor from the first time she came to the house, but spending time with her and listening to her advice tells me that she has an experience that's impossible to replicate. Seeing and hearing how far she made it from her stories gives me drive and a sense of pride, knowing that a person like her believes in me. I can't imagine I could have asked for a better mentor."



### Keystone Kitchen Cleanup

Paula Cleveland and her team at Keystone Signature Properties have a huge heart for Hope's Path. This team of ladies gives of their time, talents, and treasures every year to serve our interns. This past month, they kicked off their 2023 volunteering by completely cleaning, organizing, labeling, and renewing the Hope's Path kitchen, including an official kitchen directory! This job was dirty, messy, and long overdue, but these ladies did it with such joy and happiness! Thank you so much to these incredible women for your investment in our interns and their home; you are appreciated!



### Kitchen Cleanup Bonus

Connie, one of the ladies who helped with the kitchen cleanup, realized that we needed a dishwasher. A short time later, she and her husband, Shawn, came back with a donated BRAND NEW dishwasher and installed it. THANK YOU, Connie and Shawn!

## New Pantry Shelves

Hope's Path recently received a grant from the Montgomery Country Food Bank to update our food pantry (more on that next month). Part of this grant included replacing old shelving with new, heavy-duty shelving. These three incredible volunteers, husband and wife team, Paul and Barbara, as well as Brian, spent a sunny afternoon building these shelves and preparing our new pantry. We are so blessed by our core of volunteers at Hope's Path and are so grateful to Paul, Barbara, and Brian for helping to improve our food pantry services.



## Hope's Path Golf Tournament

Join us Monday, April 3rd at the Tournament Player Course in The Woodlands for our Annual Golf Tournament. Corporate Sponsorships are needed. You can register by clicking the button below or by visiting our website at [www.hopespath.org/golf](http://www.hopespath.org/golf).

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