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January Newsletter



Message from the Executive Director

I cannot believe that 2023 is already here! Based on how incredible 2022 was, I am expecting this year to be even better. We had an amazing month of December at Hope's Path. Christmas time can be difficult for the interns as it is a season that can manifest unpleasant emotions, memories, and feelings from the past. However, this Christmas brought so much JOY and holiday spirit to our home, and our interns felt so much love and support from the community. We had parties, events, decorations, and unexpected visits from several people and groups throughout the month. Not only that, but our supporters provided over \$10,000 in In-Kind Donations to make Christmas special for our young men. On behalf of our staff and Board of Directors, thank you so much for making Christmas *especially* special this past year; we are blessed and

grateful.

With January now here, it is a reminder of new beginnings and fresh starts. This is particularly true for our interns. Many of them are closer now than ever to graduate from Hope's Path and ready to achieve *true* independent living. Ephesians 4: 22-24 says, "²² You were taught, with regard to your former way of life, to put off your old self, which is being corrupted by its deceitful desires; ²³ to be made new in the attitude of your minds; ²⁴ and to put on the new self, created to be like God in true righteousness and holiness." This verse is such a reminder of this season and God's plan and desire for our lives. Please take time this year to pray for our interns as they navigate a new year and a new start. Join us in lifting them up to the Lord for guidance, wisdom, and peace for 2023.

One of our big plans for 2023 is completing (or near completion) of our tiny home project. We cannot wait to add three tiny homes and a storage building to our property. This is a huge historic and transformative project for our organization, as this will be our first major expansion and growth initiative. If you would like more information on how you can get involved in this project, please visit our website, or call me directly at Hope's Path. This will take many hands and people

with varied talents to bring it to fruition.

Our Lord is faithful to Hope's Path, and we are confident He will continue to provide this year. Thank you for being a part of our mission. Have a wonderful month of January and Happy New Year!

God Bless,
Brandon Anderchuk

Program Highlights

Jaysen Received His GED

We are so proud to announce that our youngest intern, Jaysen, has recently completed his GED program and earned his high school education! Jaysen spent countless weeks and months studying and preparing for the challenging GED tests. He not only passed the four subject tests but did very well on them. We had the chance to celebrate Jaysen recently to honor his accomplishment. Thank you to the numerous volunteers and mentors (pictured) who invested personally into Jaysen so he could meet this goal of his. Congratulations Jaysen on surpassing this HUGE MILESTONE. Hope's Path is very proud of you.



Building New Foundations

On Saturday, December 31st, one of our premier community partners, Building New Foundations, treated a group of our interns to a wonderful paintball experience. The afternoon was full of fun, excitement, friendly competition, and building relationships. Hope's Path is so appreciative of this incredibly generous foundation and its support of our Mission over the last several years! Our interns sure had a blast hanging out with these supporters and experiencing the thrill of paintball (even if it hurt a little bit 😊)!

New Beginnings Church

One of the highlights in December was our Hope's Path Christmas Party, put on by our Newest Church Partner, New Beginnings Church. Pastor Lyn Schwanke and nearly two dozen people from his Church family spent an evening with our interns and staff. They brought delicious dinner and dessert, presents, and led our home in singing numerous Christmas Carols. The night concluded with five-on-five basketball with the church members and our interns. It was an evening full of joy, laughter, and a reminder of the true meaning of Christmas by singing to our Lord and reading the Christmas story. Thank you, New Beginnings Church, for investing in our program and creating these lasting memories.





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