



The Next Step

The Kubond family:

Nicole: Age 23 years

Jack: Age 16 months

Entered the House: 02/09/12

Moved Out: 06/01/12

How did you come to House of Hope? "I was struggling with substance abuse, was two months pregnant and had lost everything. I dropped out of college and had just a suitcase and a duffle bag of belongings to my name. I was lucky to get into House of Hope pretty quickly—I really needed that sense of belonging and system of support to help me get back on track."

What services has House of Hope provided you? "One of the biggest things would be the foundation and structure. House of Hope held me accountable again. It was also very helpful that the community services I needed came to me right at the House. I didn't have to travel all over town to get the help I needed."

Tell us about your experience at House of Hope. "During the four months I was at House of Hope, I

was able to stay clean the entire time, finish my AODA counseling, and find stable employment and maintain it. I earned my driver's license back and completed a very helpful parenting class. All of these things helped me build the foundation of a safe and stable environment which helped me stay sober and focused to reach my goals."

"I really needed that sense of belonging and system of support..."

How did your experiences here affect your future? "Today, I continue to use the skills I learned while at the House. I've been awarded three promotions at my job and have a healthy, beautiful baby boy whom I love to parent and appreciate every day. I'm living in my second apartment since leaving the House, and have never been late on a rent payment. I learned to save money and continue to do so today, something I've never been able to do before in my life! As a result, I was able to buy a car and remove myself from

most government assistance. I just celebrated being two years clean and chose to give back to the community by serving as a Panel Leader for a 12-Step program. As a Panel Leader, I recruit presenters, get them trained and bring these presenters to meetings at the Brown County jail and the Jackie Nitchke Center. I share my story at these organizations and with additional groups to reach out to others who are in the same place I was and give them hope and strength."

Is there something else you would like to share? "I have a lot of serenity today. Life is good."



Believe it or not, it's just around the corner! We are now accepting sponsorships for the 2014 Touchdowns for Hope event. Please call Shannon at 884.6740 to discuss the exciting ways YOU can be involved with Touchdowns for Hope!

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Our Mission

House of Hope offers a safe, supportive place where young mothers learn to become competent adults and independent, successful parents.

fifteen and growing

We've been growing exponentially these past six months and the whirlwind of activity and change doesn't look like it's going to slow down anytime soon. We reported in our last newsletter about our three new rooms and we're excited to let you know we've opened an additional two rooms since. This means our capacity has expanded from ten to fifteen families, an entire 50% increase!

As we expand our program and services to serve more families in need, the space we have been using as storage is now being converted into addition-



al shelter rooms. While filling more rooms is fantastic, we still need space to store our supplies such as cribs, car seats, strollers, blankets and hygiene items. On the evening of January 28th, the Green Bay Plan Commission unanimously voted to approve our request to amend the City's Comprehensive Plan. We are currently requesting to re-zone our property so we may build storage for these necessary program items in addition to

creating a larger kitchen and laundry space to accommodate the needs of our expanding House of Hope family.

Thank you so much to all of you who showed support for House of Hope by joining us at City Hall, making donations, giving volunteer time and for all of the many, many prayers offered in the name of House of Hope. To make a donation in the name of our growing program, please use the donation slip on the back of this newsletter and check the box to earmark your donation for the Capital Project Fund. Or, contact Shannon Wienandt at 920.884.6740. What an exciting time!

an honor... times two

House of Hope is honored to have not one, but two, board members be recognized as community leaders at the Future15 Young Professional Awards which were held in Feb



To be considered for a Future15 Award, nominees must live/work in Brown County, be between the ages of 21 and 40 and "demonstrate the ability to positively impact the community through professional accomplishments and community involvement." **Hope Voigt**, Owner of Tweet/Garot Mechanical, Inc., has served on the House of Hope Advisory Board since the beginning of her tenure, she has shared her talents and wisdom with the Executive Committee and Special Events. Her support and efforts have been instrumental in the growth of House of Hope. And, since our Board Chair is a Future15 Award recipient our future ce

A nominee for the Young Entrepreneur Award must be between the ages of 21 and 40, be a resident of Brown County, be an employee and demonstrate financial success in addition to a positive impact on the community. **Michelle Axford**, owner of Cupcake Couture in De Pere, was winner of the Young Entrepreneur Award. Her energy and creativity has served House of Hope since she was a board member then joining the Advisory Board in 2018. Her dedication to our mission to serve young, homeless families has been unparalleled.



couture clothing consignment

We all have clothes in our closet that we don't wear. Maybe our tastes have changed, or our size has changed, or maybe they are perfectly fine but we just don't wear them. That is where reFine Consignment comes in. Re-Fine Consignment is a consignment sale event which focuses on helping women. And this Spring, it will support the women who stay at House of Hope.

Consign! Registration is currently open for women to consign their gently used designer or boutique clothing and accessories. Simply register online, print off the pre-designed tags, attach to your items and drop them off at Celebration Church on March 25th.

Volunteer! No items to consign? No problem! There is a myriad of tasks to complete in order to make the event successful. Visit the website to sign up!

Shop! Shop for great clothes and accessories for your wardrobe at a fraction of retail prices. Enjoy an exclusive pre-sale, the public sale and a half-off sale. A portion of the proceeds from all of these sales will be donated to House of Hope, while any unclaimed items will be donated to The Salvation Army.

Thank you for supporting this new Green Bay charitable event! Please visit the re-Fine Consignment website for more information!

Important Dates & Info for reFine Consignment

Clothing Drop-Off
Tues, March 25, 8am-8pm

Private Pre-Sale
Thurs, March 27, 5pm-9pm

Public Sale
Friday, March 28, 9am-9pm

Public Half-Off Sale
Saturday, March 29, 8am-2pm

Consigner Pick-Up
Saturday, March 29, 4pm-5:30pm

Website
refineconsignmentsale.com



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2012. Michelle's passion

We received this Christmas card from a past resident and it just made our day.

*House of Hope,
Thank you for all you do! You deliver so much comfort & hope through all your help & kindness. May God continue to bless you all with much love, health and prosperity. You deliver an outstanding amount of abundance in hope through the light you shine on others. You are an inspiration! Be proud of yourselves! Merry Christmas and a happy New Year!*

*With much love,
"GinaT."*

Hey! Were you looking forward to another Designers for Hope event? We'll be taking a break in 2014 but keep an eye out in the Spring of 2015 for Designers for Hope to make it's appearance again!



Donation Notice

Because our storage space is limited and we're focusing on serving additional families, we can only accept items that House of Hope can use, such as junior sized clothing for young women, bedding, baby supplies, small appliances and wish list items. All other donations can be dropped off at:

- + SVdP East: 1529 Leo Frigo Way
- + SVdP West: 940 Hansen Rd.

Looking for a way to get involved?

Why not try gathering items on our wish list? We could use...

Hair conditioner
Pack n' Play sheets
changing table mat sheets
new bed pillows
33 gallon garbage bags
13 gallon garbage bags
thumb drives
solid colored dishes & silverware
copy paper—white and colored



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Please include names and addresses of any individuals who should receive an acknowledgement of this gift.

I would like this donation earmarked for the Capital Project Fund.

Legacy of Hope

I have included House of Hope in my estate plan.

I would like information on how to include House of Hope in my will.

Thank you for your continued support of House of Hope.

Please mail donations, inquiries and suggestions to: House of Hope ~ 1660 Christiana St., ~ Green Bay, WI 54303