

YES! I want to help homeless women and their children achieve permanent, independent living.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

I wish to offer my support in the amount of:

\$50 \$100 \$250 Other

My personal check is enclosed.

OR, Please charge my contribution to my:

Visa MasterCard

Account Number: _____

Expiration Date CVV#

Name as it appears on card:

Signature: _____

I would like to make an ongoing donation in the amount of \$ _____.

Please charge my credit card for that amount monthly.

My employer has a matching fund program.

Employer: _____

Address: _____

Please detach this form and mail with your check or credit card information to:

Lake County Haven

P.O. Box 127, Libertyville, IL 60048

You can also donate immediately at our secure website: www.LakeCountyHaven.org.

The Lake County Haven is a 501(c)3 organization and your gift is deductible as allowed by the IRS.

THANK YOU!



In a family, every member is important. In the Haven family, our supporters are **so very important!** Without your generous donations, we could not provide even one more day of services to a single woman or child.

The Haven is funded entirely by donations from people like you. Each and every gift is vital to our residents' success. Please give generously today.



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847-680-1703

www.LakeCountyHaven.org

Serving the Community for Over 25 Years

"Quite literally, the Haven saved my life."



Empowering homeless women and their children to achieve permanent, independent living.



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MAKING A HOME

A house is made of bricks and mortar, but it takes more than that to make a home. Support, love, guidance, and structure are all important components of a home. Lake County Haven provides all of this and more to thirty women and children each and every night.

Residents of the Haven have experienced the chaos, violence, hardship, and isolation of homelessness. Once they arrive at the Haven, a new reality emerges for them – one of safety, security, and support. In this nurturing environment, women heal from the experience of homelessness and take the steps necessary for long-term, independent living.

Please consider making a contribution today. Your gift is essential and will allow us to serve many more families.



“If it wasn’t for the Haven, I don’t know where I’d be now.”

Who Becomes Homeless?

The reasons for becoming homeless vary and include job loss, foreclosure, domestic violence, addiction, and illness. No matter how a woman might find herself in this situation, the Haven provides all the safety, support, and structure she needs to overcome her problems and regain independence.

How Can Homelessness Be Ended?

Services are available in three phases: respite, support, and transformation.

Respite

The Haven’s shelter looks and feels like no other shelter you’ve seen; it is truly a home. The Haven prides itself on providing a safe, quiet, comfortable dwelling on a tree-lined street in Libertyville. Residents find a family-friendly environment, a kind and welcoming staff, and a sense of community.

Support

Case management, counseling, employment coaching, financial education, and life-skills training prepare residents for the next step in their rebuilding process. We also make grants to help with transportation, medical expenses, and educational costs.

Transformation

Our program is very structured and goal-oriented. All efforts are focused on helping each woman and family to graduate to the next level of independence, with the final vision that our residents will never be homeless again.



The Haven provides specific services, including...

- Shelter and a family environment
- Counseling, advocacy, and case management
- Transitional housing
- Employment coaching
- Assistance in finding permanent housing
- Financial coaching and debt management
- Grants for medical and educational expenses
- Life-skills training

Residents have responsibilities too, such as...

- Secure permanent, full-time employment
- Save a minimum of 80% of income
- Meet regularly with case manager
- Address all the issues that led to homelessness
- Live in ways that are healthy
- Contribute to the community and give back to others

How You Can Help End Homelessness

Your generous contributions provide opportunities for women and families to successfully meet the challenges they face on the road to healing themselves and finding a permanent home.

- Give a tax-deductible monetary gift
- Donate your professional services
- Donate in-kind items
- Spread the word and volunteer
- Join our Women’s Auxiliary
- Host your own fundraising/ educational event

How Your Donation Helps

- Your gift of \$25 helps buy milk for the children at our shelter
- Your gift of \$75 helps buy a bus pass so a resident can get to work
- Your gift of \$150 helps get counseling for a resident who has been assaulted
- Your gift of \$200 or more helps pay for rent, food, electricity, and heat for shelter residents



“The Haven is like a family to me.”



Our Story

The Haven was started in 1992 when two Lake County neighbors came together to try to help homeless women and children. They could imagine what it would be like to be hungry and homeless, and they felt that was unacceptable. So these two ordinary people, Peg Bradley and Mike Gretz, got together and did something absolutely extraordinary. They decided to start a program to help homeless women and children. The result was the Haven.

They said YES to the challenge of not only providing homeless women and children with a home, food, and the necessities of life, but also to providing a wide range of services to help people get back on their feet again. And because of their vision and dedication, hundreds of women and families have emerged from the bleak reality of homelessness to lead independent lives.