

COMMUNITY CARE

Grace & Mercy Transitional House, Man-Up Transitional Housing,
Change-Up Thrift Store, and the Connecting Center

Community Care of Wells County offers practical, emotional, and spiritual support to women, men, and children of Wells County who are seeking assistance with difficulties in their daily lives. We do this through four ministries in Wells County: The Connecting Center, Change-Up Thrift Store, Man-Up Transitional House, and Grace and Mercy Transitional House. Despite the challenges we have faced in 2020 due to COVID-19, God has still made the impossible, possible and is working to transform hearts and lives in all four of our ministries!



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The **Connecting Center** is a vital resource for many in our community in need of urgent financial assistance or referrals to other resources. COVID-19 has impacted the reach of our organization. We have been able to provide 10 days of RU in the Wells County Jail to 37 individuals before the shutdown took place. We have given 7 referrals to families in need to Change-Up Thrift and been blessed with 859 volunteer hours so far!



Man-Up Transitional House welcomed a new manager in January this year, a move that has truly blessed the program. We are at full capacity! This means we currently have all apartments in our Man-Up Program filled (four men). There is a weekly bible study impacting male residents with the word of God, led by our wonderful manager Clem with help from two other devoted pastors in our ministry.

We ask for prayers for our continued growth and sustainability as an organization. We also ask that you pray for the men in our programs to receive the word of God and submit their lives more fully to Him as they make sustainable progress in this program.

Requests for Assistance

\$32,532.88

Assistance Given

\$7,247.91

People Served

193

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GRACE & MERCY



Grace & Mercy, our newest and largest ministry, is a safe, stable home for women + their children to grow in their relationship with Christ and rebuild their lives after enduring trauma. Women actively participate in their transformation, making choices that lead to a sustainable life for themselves and their families, with God at the center of it all. We are able to do this through a multi-system collaborative approach with our program, community resources, local nonprofits, and you! Our program involves multiple weekly bible studies, church, sustainability courses, check-ins, recovery classes, and more.

IMPACT SO FAR

We have had the blessing of bearing witness to the transformation of lives and redemption of hearts this year. We have filled 1,684 beds between January and July this year. **Around 28 women and 23 children (total) have called Grace & Mercy home since opening our doors!**

NEEDS

Two new rooms were finished and adopted by First Presbyterian Church and the United Methodist Women's Group. The staff and residents look forward to finishing them! The daycare/grandparents room was adopted by Park Community Church, and Ruth & Rex Buckley have adopted our Music & Craft room! **Our biggest need currently is a total remodel of a bathroom in our building.** We are also in need of various other indoor/outdoor fixes. Visit our website to see the full list of needs.



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PLANTING HOPE

Despite the challenges of COVID-19, the residents of Grace & Mercy implemented a Drive-Through fundraiser to #PlantHope in Wells County. It was a fantastic experience to see the women participate in the community and to have support from some of our favorite local favorites, like Ellie Grace & Co, Yergy's BBQ, The Crimson House, and Posy Pot flower shop. (Pictured: Anna, a 3 year old resident of Grace & Mercy, dancing with her sign!)



Change-Up Thrift Store has been deeply impacted by COVID-19 this year. Like many other stores in our community, we were forced to decrease our hours significantly. We are excited to say that we have been open with full hours again and now have extended hours available for you to shop! Visit our Facebook Page for updates on sales and items in store.




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COMMUNITY IMPACT

Shopping from Change-Up Thrift Store impacts the Wells County Community in a variety of ways. This store provides volunteer opportunities for residents in our program and the community as a whole. Each purchase directly supports those in our community through our other ministries. You can make an impact when you donate to, shop from, or give your time to Change-Up Thrift Store!



Sales in 2020:

\$13,705

Transactions

2,190



MEET THE MANAGER

Kimberly Gerber is the store Manager of Change Up. She has been involved with the store for several years now and enjoys helping those in need and building relationships with those that come in the store. Change Up Thrift provides items at affordable prices for those in need and those who simply love a great deal. We are currently in need of gently used furniture. To get involved we ask for donations of items and always welcome new volunteers!!

PARTNER WITH US

Make an impact in the Wells County Community when you partner with Community Care every month. Sign up for a recurring donation at www.cc-wc.org/donate.