

Missions at New Hope – Quarterly Newsletter – December 2019

New Hope's missional focus includes a range of wonderful missions:

- Chartered Missions: Zimbabwe Mission Partnership; Habitat for Humanity
- Supported Missions: Emergency Shelter; Castle Rock Senior Center
- Community Partner Missions: Help & Hope Center (Task Force); Wellspring Community; Sky Cliff Center; Crisis Center; Starfish Children's Grief Support Group; Navigating Grief (for adults)

Below, please find a quick update on each of these, along with the key contact(s) if you'd like to engage or learn more. And, as always, if you have any questions, we'd love to hear from you. Blessings.

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Zimbabwe Mission Partnership (ZMP)

Key Contact: Deanna Heyn, deannahey@gmail.com **Web site:** <http://zimpartnership.org/>

Objective: Provide a venue for participating churches and the wider community to work together to enhance the habitation, nutrition, public health, education and spiritual development of the orphans of Zimbabwe, primarily in Ward 1 of the Murewa North District at Heather Chimhoga Orphan Care.

Recent news and what's coming up: Deanna and team recently returned from Zimbabwe, you can hear more on this excellent trip through the New Hope podcast and on the ZMP web site. We also approved a grant from the Mission Committee funds to enable continued progress on the clinic.

Habitat for Humanity

Key Contacts: Dave Arnett dave.j.arnett@gmail.com or John Lundgren nrlundgren@gmail.com

Website: <https://denver.volunteerhub.com/lp/loavesandfishes-denver/events/index>

Objective: To help families achieve strength, stability and independence through building and purchasing their own home. New Hope has focused on Habitat as a mission for nearly 16 years. Habitat helps build a future for families, with a focus on enabling qualified families with an affordable mortgage rate, no down payment, and set monthly mortgage payment. Each applicant completes 200 hours of work during the build.

Recent news: The build is complete! Our New Hope offering went well – thank you!

Emergency Shelter

Key Contact: Bonnie Dews, dews5223@comcast.net

Objective: New Hope, working with a combination of CR Fire, CR Police, DC Sheriff and Red Cross, provides a key resource as a certified Emergency Shelter in Castle Rock.

Recent news: Training was held in October. The church has continued to be ready as winter storms approach.

Castle Rock Senior Center

Key Contact: Bonnie Dews, dews5223@comcast.net

Objective: The mission of the Douglas County/Castle Rock Senior Center is to provide educational, social, healthful, and recreational programs to seniors in the community; as well as assist in transportation needs. We also support seniors pursuing hiking opportunities, VOA lunch servers and transportation assistance.

Recent news: New Hope provided grants from the New Hope Local Missions Fund that enabled acquiring new chairs for the Senior Center community room – a huge benefit for their fellowship.

Help & Hope Center (Task Force)

Key Contacts: Cindy Hazlehurst cindy-acs@q.com or Nancy Carroll ncarrols@msn.com

Web Site: <https://www.helpandhopecenter.org/volunteer/#chapter4>

Objective: To meet the immediate needs of residents of Douglas and Elbert counties who are in financial distress and/or at risk of becoming homeless. Working directly with clients to help them make their way through troublesome times by providing essential services with dignity, kindness and respect. NHP support includes a biannual food drive + ongoing collection of canned foods, toiletries, clothing, and household goods.

Recent news: It's been a wonderful season of giving to the Help & Hope Center. The Fall Toiletries drive and the Thanksgiving Interfaith Community Service collections were a huge success. Thank you for your donations. The Help & Hope Center is always so appreciative of New Hope's support.

Navigating Grief (for adults)

Key Contact: Jen Robidoux, griefgroup@newhopepres.org

Objective: Meet every other week for total of 7 sessions. Support group for people who have experienced a death loss. New Hope hosts and leads this community support.

Recent news: "Navigating Grief in the Holidays" was held on 11/2.

Starfish Children's Grief Support Group

Key Contact: Leslie Clemensen, lvclmensen@mac.com

Objective: This support group is designed for children and their families who are grieving the death of a loved one. New Hope hosts 6-week sessions for area families in the fall and spring. New Hope support includes funding for the instructor in addition to hosting the sessions twice per year.

Recent news: The dates for spring semester are: 2/10, 2/24, 3/9, 3/23, 4/6 and 4/20

Wellspring Community

Key Contact: Scott Risby, srisby@comcast.net **Website:** <https://www.wearewellspring.org/>

Objective: To provide a work, enrichment and educational community where adults with special needs are empowered to live full, productive and satisfying lives in a God-centered and nurturing environment. New Hope support includes volunteers, classroom space, kitchen space.

Recent news: The "Evening of Inspiration" event went off very well on 12/5. The New Hope mission spotlight on Wellspring and Sky Cliff is scheduled for 1/26/20.

Sky Cliff Center

Key Contact: Lyle Risner, lriskner@q.com **Web Site:** <https://skycliff.org/>

Objective: To add value to the lives of adults with special needs in Douglas and surrounding counties by helping clients maintain independence and continue to function in the community for as long as possible. New Hope support includes Hands of Hope service days where we help maintain the facility, and supporting Christmas and fundraising dinners through use of the Fellowship Hall.

Recent news: The New Hope mission spotlight on Wellspring and Sky Cliff is scheduled for 1/26/20.

Crisis Center

Key Contact: Lori Nebelsick-Gullett nebelsickgullett@gmail.com **Website:** <http://thecrisiscenter.org/>

Objective: Exists to end domestic violence through advocacy, education, and prevention; while helping communities live free of violence. This is done through advocacy, empowerment, prevention/intervention, and service/education. New Hope support has included fundraising support for the Crisis Center gala, as well as collection of toiletries, household products and grocery gift cards.

Recent news: The "Gala" was held 11/2 and went off very well.