

July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2023



## **BECAUSE OF YOU**

"Speak up and judge fairly; defend the rights of the poor and needy."
-Proverbs 31:9

Dear Friend.

In preparing this year's Annual Report, one truth stood out to me: New Life Mission is more than **A** mission; this is **YOUR** mission.

Over the last year, I have witnessed the ownership and pride you take in helping the women and children who come here looking for HOPE and a break from the circumstances that have rendered them homeless. **Your loving fingerprints are on every area of this ministry!** 

This Annual Report will walk you through the highlights of the last year from opening our own childcare center and fourth campus to increased mental health counseling and services for children.

The more we know, the more we grow, and we are always looking for new and better ways to pour life into the families we serve. Your ideas are always welcome. Your support
has allowed us
to fill the gap for
many families as they
access the resources they
need to move their families forward.

Thank you for walking alongside us in YOUR MISSION as we transform the lives of many more homeless women with children in the year to come.

An abundance of blessings!







# 4 CAMPUSES, 1 MISSION

In a Christ-centered environment, we equip homeless moms to transform their families for generations.

Through education, accountability and goal advancement, our program empowers families to become self-sufficient and break the cycle of homelessness.



New Life Village 15-18 families in group-style living



Casa Carol
8 families in individual
apartment units



Joy's Place
5 families in individual
apartment units



**The Cottages**8 graduate families in individual cottages

## STORY OF TRANSFORMATION

# HOPE RENEWED

hen Monique arrived at
New Life Mission, she felt like
"something in my soul had broken."
She had no support system and had
been trying to go it alone until she
finally reached her breaking point.

"I had a toddler with special needs, which made it impossible to maintain full-time employment," she said. She came home to an eviction notice on her door, and her only option, or so she thought, was staying in a hotel.

Monique wept as she sat in her car and cried out, "God! Please help me!" Later that day, a call from her pastor changed everything. He led her to New Life Mission.

Monique entered the ReNewed Life Program full of fear and anxiety about the judgment she might receive, and she wondered how she would handle being directed by a case manager.

"Instead, I found a sisterhood with the other women and formed close bonds with the staff," said Monique.

Beyond that, her 3-year-old son was safe and loved in Kids Academy. "When your child is safe, you can do anything. You can move mountains."

And move mountains she has!

With the help of Miranda, her case manager, Monique has felt renewed and empowered. They



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worked together to obtain an Autism Spectrum Disorder diagnosis for her son, who was non-verbal at the time.

"I was grateful for a diagnosis," she said. "It meant my son would receive access to the resources he needed."

They worked together to get him an Individualized Education Plan (IEP) and a scholarship to attend a private school dedicated to children with special needs.

Once she knew her son would be okay, Monique was able to focus on herself. She graduated with honors with a certificate in Medical Billing and Coding.

"I took control of my physical health," she said. "I was diagnosed with diabetes and made several lifestyle changes that helped me lose over fifty pounds." Monique meets weekly with a faith-based therapist provided by New Life Mission and said, "I thought it was impossible, but now I know all things are possible with Christ."

"I believe in my heart that I matter," she continued. "If I could go back in time, I'd tell the broken version of myself, 'You are worth it!"

The most valuable thing she has learned is to lean into her faith and surrender. "My relationship with God has deepened considerably. He led me to my heavenly support system."

Monique also credits her ability to move mountains to the discipline and accountability she learned in the program. "Anything achieved without discipline dissipates."



# New Life Mission

## ReNewed Life Program



### WHO WE SERVE

Homeless women with children find New Life Mission by searching the Internet, or as a referral from a friend, church or other service provider. The circumstances that bring families here are as varied as the families themselves, and may include rising costs of food and supplies, eviction, addiction, domestic violence, generational poverty, foster-care emancipation, human trafficking, incarceration, death of a family member or other setback.

### **HOW WE SERVE**

With time and space to heal, mothers and their children reside on one of our four campuses in Melbourne for 1-2 years. Each family receives the individual resources they need to progress through the four phases of the program and become self-sustaining without government assistance.

#### STORIES OF TRANSFORMATION

www.NewLife-Mission.org/stories



## **MILESTONES**

\$86,576 put into savings accounts

**\$22,838** in family debt paid off through financial coaching

- 4 moms opened checking accounts
- 2 moms opened first savings accounts
- 9 moms secured full-time jobs
- 5 moms earned raises at work
- 1 DCF case closed and mom reunited with her children
- 3 moms obtained driver's licenses
- 1 mom received a donated vehicle
- 1 mom earned her GED
- 8 moms enrolled in schooling programs
- **3** moms earned post-high school certifications
- 2 moms were baptized
- 3 families graduated from our program
- 2 graduates working as staff members
- 1 graduate's child hired as staff member
- **91%** success rate for our graduates



12,303
hours of care
provided this year!

## **Kids Academy Celebrates 1st Year!**

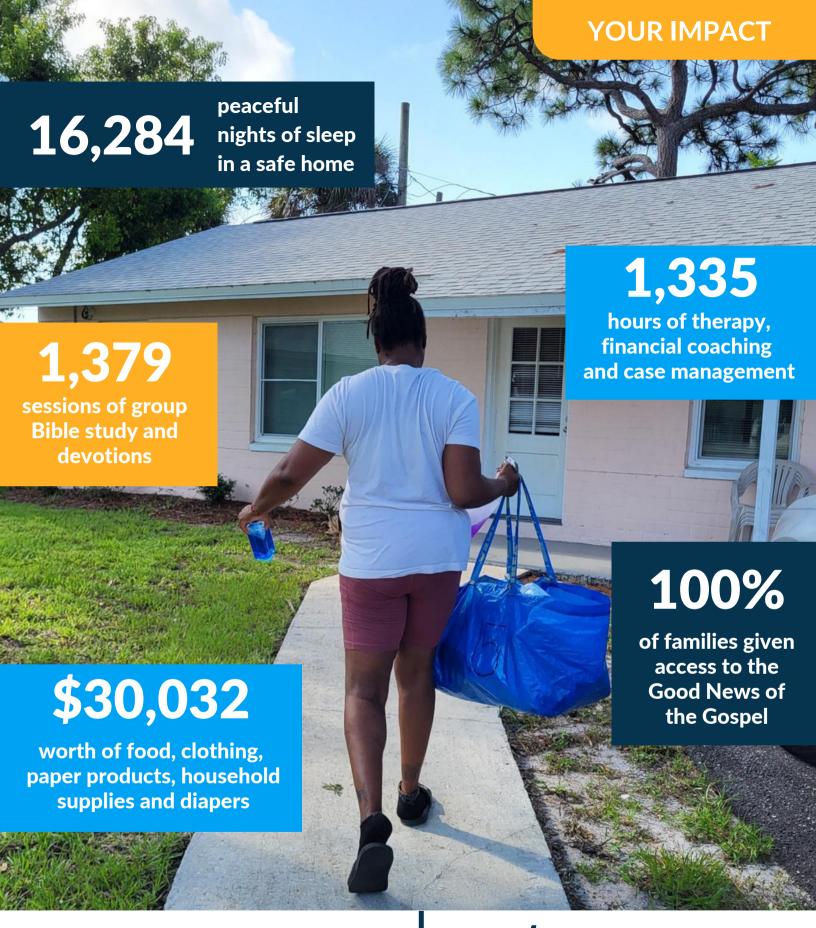
Kids Academy removes the barrier many families face in finding safe, affordable childcare. Our on-site center is for ages 6 weeks through VPK. In 2024, we will offer an after-school program and tutoring for our school-age children and teens.











\$15,553

in bus passes, vehicle maintenance and transportation needs

\$10,076

to moms through the continuing education scholarship fund

## **VOLUNTEERS**

Individuals and groups pour into
New Life Mission every week, giving
their time and talents to help
maintain our facilities, show love to
children in Kids Academy, mentor
moms in Bible study and life skills
classes, assist with cutting and
sewing in the Transformed Shop...
and so much more!

Thank you to the following groups that volunteered in the last year

**Brevard Zoo** Cocoa Florida Latter Day Saints Chari Team Church at Viera Christian Care Ministry Church of Latter-day Saints Cross Bridge Church Confident Kids Dove Bible Club **Eagle Scouts Elevation Church** Faith Viera Lutheran First Baptist Church Melbourne First Church Melbourne FIT Women's Soccer Team FIT Women's Basketball Team Family Taekwondo Grace Church Melbourne Health First House Church Love Center Church Melbourne Regional Chamber Merritt Island MOPS Merritt Island Rotary Club **New Beginnings Church** Space Coast House Church **Rock Harbor Church** Seacoast Bank Suntree United Methodist Youth WeVenture



## Transformed Shop: A Sanctuary of Healing

In the safe space of the Transformed Shop, moms learn to cut, sew and create with their hands as they make new items out of repurposed denim and fabric. By purchasing products from the Transformed Shop, you are empowering a mom to gain valuable skills that will equip her to break the cycle of homelessness.

Learn more at www.TransformedShop.com

410
hours donated in the Transformed Shop this year!



## July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2023

Total Income \$2.181.303 Total Expenses \$1.873.082

### Sources of Income



## FINANCIAL TRANSPARENCY



## **Total Capital Campaign Income/Expenses**

February 15, 2021-June 30, 2023

Capital Campaign Income: \$1,899,464 Capital Campaign Pledges: \$294,427

Purchase/Renovation/Operating Expenses: \$3,040,286



It Takes A Village is a \$3 million Capital Campaign to provide critical funds for the renovation of existing buildings and homes on the New Life Village campus (formerly Hacienda Girls Ranch). This site provides a childcare facility, Transformed Shop

production center and more housing for homeless families.

<u>Learn more at www.NewLife-Mission.org/New-Life-Village</u>

## At New Life Mission, 100% of every dollar makes an impact!

We pride ourselves on financial integrity and maximizing every dollar to benefit our families. This is confirmed through an Annual Independent Financial Review along with an independent review by the Evangelical Council for Financial Accountability (ECFA), Charity Navigator and Candid (formerly Guidestar). We have established a strong foundation including a six-month operating cash reserve, an endowment at the Community Foundation for Brevard, and an active Planned Giving Program.









Help for the Homeless

**75**€

Administration

18¢

Communication & Fundraising

7¢

## **Church Supporters**

**Cross Bridge Church Ascension Catholic Community** 

Calvary Baptist Church

Central Baptist Church of Melbourne

Church at Viera

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints

Church for the Beach

Coastal Community Church

Cocoa Beach Community Church

Community Church of God Community Gospel Truth Church

Great Outdoors Church Highland Avenue Fellowship Church

> Holy Name of Jesus Catholic Hope Lutheran Church

Grace Church Melbourne

Crossroads Community Church

First Baptist Church of Indialantic

East Coast Christian Center

**Elevation Church** 

Life's Oasis Church

We are grateful for the following churches that supported us

with financial and in-kind donations in the last year

Love Center Church

New Beginnings Church

**New Beginnings Outreach Ministries** 

**Rock Harbor Church** 

South Patrick Baptist Church

St. John's Episcopal Church

St. Mark's United Methodist Church

St. Sebastian's By the Sea

The Well Ministry

May we share New Life Mission with your church? Please contact us at development@newlife-mission.org

## **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**



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### Make a Referral

Do you know a mom who may need help? Ask her to call 321-505-8605 or complete the intake application at www.NewLife-Mission.org/apply

## **HOW YOU CAN HELP**

#### **MAKE A DONATION**

Will you consider an impactful donation or an ongoing monthly gift to help us provide consistent programming? Donors who give \$100+ monthly or \$1,200+ per year become IMPACT 100 partners and attend a special event. Visit www.NewLife-Mission.org/donate or mail a check to PO Box 362203, Melbourne, FL 32936

**GIVE TO OUR CAPITAL CAMPAIGN** Support our newest campus, New Life Village, by contributing to our Capital Campaign.

#### JOIN OUR LEGACY SOCIETY Include New Life Mission in your estate plan to transform lives for generations to come.

#### **OTHER GIFT OPTIONS** For information on employer matching gifts, required minimum distributions, our endowment and other gift options, email Development@NewLife-Mission.org



Give securely online

#### **HOST A TABLE**

Would you host a table for our annual Spring fundraiser, Community Care & Share? Email CCS@NewLife-Mission.org for more information.

## **COLLECT NEEDED ITEMS**

View our Amazon and Walmart Wishlists at www.NewLife-Mission.org/wishlist

#### **VOLUNTEER**

Volunteer individually or with a group. Email Volunteer@NewLife-Mission.org

#### **ASK US TO SPEAK**

We'd welcome the opportunity to share the Mission with your church, service club, business or small group. Contact <u>Development@NewLife-Mission.org</u>

#### **FOLLOW US!**

Follow us on our social media channels to hear stories of HOPE and to learn about immediate needs.





