



## Haven of Hope Youth Learns Fundamental Life Skill

Danny lived at the Haven of Hope with his mom. Once a week, he worked with Janet, a dedicated volunteer, to learn how to cook. He loved it! Most of the time, there was a group of kids in the kitchen, but sometimes he was the only one. He made it to class every time and was very polite, for which Janet was grateful. He formed a solid friendship with a caring adult who taught him how to cook, which means he will be prepared to feed himself better and someday others will appreciate his skills in the kitchen. Danny was willing to try out all the different foods they created in class and eagerly shared everything he cooked with his mom. One day he asked if they could make a favorite food – fried plantains – they were delicious and reminded him of home. He learned that baking soda does wonderful things to muffins – it makes them rise - and liked to watch that happen. He learned self-awareness and was offered an opportunity to learn a brand new skill. He found he loves cooking!

### The 2018 Budget at a Glance

#### Income:

Grants:	\$ 1,205,163
Contributions:	\$ 83,600
Fund-raising:	\$ 38,500
Other:	\$ 10,110
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$ 1,337,373</b>

#### Expenses:

Staffing:	\$ 1,058,594
Client/Program:	\$ 243,334
Other:	\$ 31,808
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$ 1,333,763</b>

**Net Income/(Loss) \$ 3,610**

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### Kids Count 4th Street Stairs Beautification project

Kids Count launched its three-year beautification project in October 2017. Sixteen youth, eight volunteers, and four staff climbed the 189-step, 4th Street stairs to plant 300 daffodil bulbs along the stairs. Planting was done in less than two hours, with the help of a master gardener, a landscape architect, and HOPE volunteers. One youth commented, "I like playing in the dirt. I love dirt". After planting, they enjoyed pizza, sweets, spectacular views, and fun on the Goodhue County History Museum grounds. Many thanks to Sargent's Nursery, Thrivent Financial, Godfather's Pizza, the City of Red Wing, Goodhue County Sentence to Serve, and the history museum, who contributed to the success of the project.

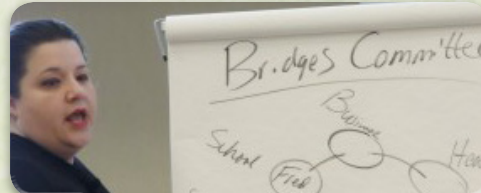


In early May, HOPE held a "Celebration of Children" on the history museum's grounds to recognize Child Abuse Awareness Month, to commemorate the project, and to enjoy daffodils in bloom. Approximately 60 people created mosaics with ArtReach, watched a Shoreline Dance Studio performance, listened to Universal Music Center musicians, explored history center archeological dig boxes, and ate food catered by the Masonic Lodge. Although many of the daffodils weren't blooming due to a harsh winter and very late spring, everyone had a great time enjoying the activities and balmy weather.



### Jodi Pfarr Poverty Workshop

In October 2017, HOPE sponsored "Bridges Out of Poverty", a day-long poverty workshop with Jodi Pfarr. Jodi, a highly respected speaker on poverty, has led workshops internationally that leave people learning and laughing from her engaging style. Her audience includes law enforcement, social services, religious institutions and nonprofit organizations. Approximately 85 people attended, including participants from Wabasha, Lake City, Faribault, and Hastings.





# A heartfelt thank you to the funders and donors who bring HOPE's mission to life.

## Skills for Life

HOPE held the first of six four-week Skill-for-Life™ workshops in April, designed to support HOPE clients, as well as the wider community. Through a Minnesota State Arts Board grant, Stevie Ray, nationally syndicated columnist, comedian and executive director of Stevie Ray's Improv Company, taught participants problem-solving and active listening skills; improved interpersonal communication and confidence through the use of improv games. The workshops were a fun, non-judgmental way for participants to laugh their way to personal growth. Partners include Red Wing Community Ed, United Way of Goodhue, Wabasha & Pierce Counties, Red Wing Youth Outreach, Red Wing Area Seniors, Christ Episcopal Church, Goodhue County Adult Detention Center, and Red Wing Public Library. Additional workshops were held throughout the year and will culminate in a showcase at the Sheldon Theater in early 2019. One participant said, "I stood up for myself for the first time and told someone to stop talking to me like that".



## Safe Harbor grant

- In March, HOPE was awarded a 16-month Pilot Study Grant, one of five through the Minnesota Department of Health and Minnesota Coalition Against Sexual Assault, to develop a Safe Harbor Protocol Team for Goodhue County. As part of the Goodhue County Sexual Assault Multi-Disciplinary Action Response Team (SMART), safe harbor protocols are being developed to provide a variety of services to sexually exploited and at-risk youth.



## Expansion of Services

In October 2017, a full-time youth advocate began to provide services to youth in Cannon Falls. These services represent an expansion of the Kids Count program. The advocate worked on-site at the Cannon Falls Public Schools, providing one-on-one and group support to at-risk youth and families who are experiencing abuse /violence or other crisis. Services included crisis intervention, teaching healthy coping skills, relationships, self-care, teen dating violence prevention and developing safety plans. The advocate also provided training on teen dating violence and mental health to school personnel.

Also in October 2017, at the request of the Women's Shelter and Support Center in Rochester, HOPE assumed responsibility for domestic violence outreach services in Wabasha County. The office was staffed with a full-time advocate who assists Wabasha County residents with legal matters, such as Orders for Protection, Harassment Restraining Orders, and dissolution of marriage/child custody proceedings, as well as sexual assault services. Additional services included assisting clients with meeting basic needs, listening and support, and crisis resolution.

## Annual Campaign

- HOPE's Board of Directors launched its first annual fundraising campaign in August to raise funds for anticipated increased rent and programming costs.
- The board hired consultant Elaine O'Keefe to guide the process and a kick-off was held on August 8th. As of September 30, HOPE raised \$26,000 of a \$50,000 goal.

## HOPE Board Strategic Plan

HOPE's Board of Directors began strategic planning in fall of 2016 to meet a growing need for services, address barriers, and plan for long-term sustainability. The three primary goals are:

1. A permanent agency location;
2. Increased awareness and recognition;
3. Development of unrestricted income.

The board continued its work to fulfill these goals.

## 2018 HOPE Coalition Client Services in a Nutshell

● Total aggregate clients served:	1,676
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● Total <b>Haven of Hope/Outreach</b> clients served:	427
● Total <b>Crisis Calls</b> :	479
● Total <b>Kids Count</b> clients served:	126
● Total <b>Sexual Assault</b> clients served:	99
● Total <b>Housing Support Services</b> households served:	209
● Total <b>Community Care Fund</b> families served:	320