



Shirley's
HOUSE OF HOPE



*"Since being at Shirley's I
have learned to ask for
help."*

Carla

Dear <<donor informal name>>, your generosity is making a difference for women like Carla at Shirley's House of Hope. Your partnership provides a safe haven for women and children escaping the devastation of abuse and addiction.

Today you have the opportunity to rewrite the story of a woman who is caught in the horrific cycle of addiction.

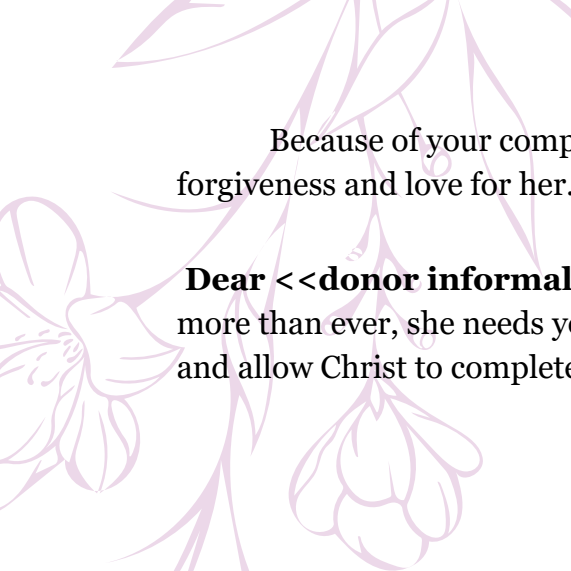
Each woman that comes to Shirley's has suffered greatly and is in desperate need of the transformation that can only come through the love of Christ. God is working through your compassion to rebuild, renew, and restore Carla's life. Carla says,

"I tried to stop drinking for eleven years, I was sad and hopeless. My health was suffering, I was facing legal and financial problems. I couldn't keep a job. I was hurting and disappointing everyone I cared about. Alcohol had me beat.

The disappointment I saw in the eyes of my 12-year-old granddaughter as she was angry and scared because of me was crippling. My daughter, who hasn't spoken to me in almost 2 years, made me realize how much I am missing including more grandchildren.

Not knowing what to do, I reached out to Shirley's House of Hope. I am learning so much through classes on co-dependency, boundaries, and having structure in my daily life and mostly how to ask for help and to trust God. I am so thankful for a 9-month program. God is peeling off the "layers" of my life. It is taking time to renew my thinking.

I now have hope for a better life. I'm working on restoring and ending relationships that I have. I am finally at peace and leaving my future up to God."



Because of your compassion and support of Shirley's, Carla is experiencing God's forgiveness and love for her.

Dear <<donor informal name>>, Carla's new life in Christ has just begun. Now more than ever, she needs your prayers and support so she can continue to stand strong and allow Christ to complete the work needed to transform her life.

With the love of Christ,



Julie Cravillion

Julie Cravillion,
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P.S.: Please use the enclosed card and envelope to return your generous gift of transformation. **Would you help us reach our goal of \$15,000 by April 12th?**