



Live 2 Give Hope

FAMILY MATTERS

Live 2 Give Hope is honored to support families in our community. Hope Reunited is a program of Live 2 Give Hope that works to reunify families like Debbie Quick & her kids M.J., Lily, & Wynter. After nearly two years in foster care, they were reunited with their Mom in September 2023. Debbie worked weekly with Live 2 Give Hope through its Hope Reunited program to obtain and maintain stability and structure for her children. Through advocacy and mentorship from Hope Reunited, Debbie received the support, encouragement, & friendship she needed.



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HOPE REUNITED SERVICES



- ADVOCACY
- MENTORSHIP
- SUPPORT
- CONNECTION TO RESOURCES
 - HOUSING
 - EMPLOYMENT
 - TRANSPORTATION
 - FOOD
 - OTHERS AS NEEDED

"I'm just thankful for all you do. Not just the resources, but the emotional support is huge. I've never met someone who truly wants to help people the way you do."

Debbie Quick, Hope Reunited Client



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FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER
PROVIDING **FREE** RESOURCES
FOR FOSTER, KINSHIP,
GUARDIANSHIP, & ADOPTIVE
FAMILIES.

THRIFT PRICING FOR GENERAL
PUBLIC & PROCEEDS BENEFIT
THE FOSTER CARE COMMUNITY.

HOURS

- MONDAY 10AM-1PM
- TUESDAY 2PM-6PM
- WEDNESDAY 10AM-1PM
- THURSDAY 2PM-6PM
- OR FOR EMERGENCIES

SAVE THE DATE



JANUARY 27
NERF WAR
FAMILY EVENT
NOON - 2PM

FEBRUARY 12-15
VALENTINE'S
TAKE-HOME PACK

MARCH 23
EASTER PARTY & EGG
HUNT DROP-OFF EVENT
10AM-2PM

Click on dates to register online or visit ChurchCenter.com or call 417-322-1862.
Please register at least one week prior to each event.

2023 VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION

Live 2 Give Hope has been blessed by dozens of volunteers throughout the year who provided over **5000 hours** to run the programs of Live 2 Give Hope! We cannot thank our volunteers enough for their dedication to the Foster Care Community; we couldn't do it without you!!!

- Laquita Angst volunteered over **1400 hours**
- Jackie Bagley & Children volunteered over **1400 combined hours**
- Connie Dunham volunteered over **600 hours**
- Lebanon High School Students volunteered over **200 combined hours**
- The Cross Christian School Students & Staff volunteered over **100 combined hours**
- Other individuals volunteered over **2000 combined hours**



TRAUMA 101 TRAINING

Understanding the impact of trauma on the brain.

- January 31 from 2-5PM
- February 22 from 4-7PM
- March 18 from 3-6PM
- April 30 from 10AM-1PM
- May 10 from Noon-3PM

Register online at Live2GiveHope.org or call 417-322-1862.

Private trainings are also available for organizations and businesses.





LIVE 2 GIVE HOPE

2023 Annual Report

2023 was another year full of blessings and excitement! Live 2 Give Hope volunteers donated over 5000 hours to serve hundreds of foster children through various programs.

Fostering Hope Closet, a family resource center for foster, kinship, guardianship, adoptive families, and other at-risk families in the community through referrals.

- **3500** Volunteer Hours
- Distributed **6500** diapers & over **60** Hope for the Journey Bags
- Partnered with **21** local agencies to assist **158** referred clients from
 - COPE House, Pregnancy Support Center, Lebanon R3, Elevate, Children’s Division, WIC/Laclede County Health Department, Food Pantries, & more
- Assisted **497** unique families and over **700** unique children with clothing, hygiene & other items for a total of **2300** visits to the Fostering Hope Closet.
- Distributed over **\$337,000** worth of items for direct client needs including:
 - **23** Car seats, **55** Bed Frames, & **55** Mattresses
 - **4500** Hygiene Items, **2500** Toys, & **400** Backpacks/Luggage
 - **1500** pairs of Socks, **1500** Pairs of Shoes, & **300** Coats

Kids’ Night Out events rotate between Family Events, Take-Home Packs, and In-Person Respite Events to meet the needs of all foster family types, ages, and geographic locations.

- **1000** Volunteer Hours
- **1398** client visits over 12 events
- **56** Total Unique Families & **204** Total Unique Children Served

Paving the Way, a two-week summer program, provides education for older at-risk youth including driver’s education, financial education, career readiness, and other needed life-skills.

- **500** Volunteers Hours
- **12** Youth received 80 hours of education in life-skills and ½ credit Personal Finance
- Distributed **\$11,910** to clients for vehicle repairs, tires, registration assistance, fuel, cab vouchers & other transportation related expenses through Let’s Get to Work! Grant.

Hope Reunited provides weekly advocacy, mentorship, support, and encouragement to families working toward reunification.

- **6** Families Received Services
 - **25** FSTs, **8** Court Hearings, & **75** Meetings with Clients
- **3** Children Successfully Reunified

Safe MO Kids aids in identification, prevention, and treatment for victims of sexual abuse.

- **181** Adults Trained on Prevention of Childhood Sexual Abuse
- **16** Women Participated in Support Groups or Individual Counseling



Children in Foster Care

12,671

Missouri

2987

Southwest Region

315

26th Circuit

140

Laclede County