

a ministry extension of Westview Community Church, serving women who have exited the sex industry

Summer 2014 Newsletter

A note from The Homestead's Executive Director: Deb Kluttz

Friends, family and supporters,

So many exciting things are happening with The Homestead Ministry! Fifteen ladies have been impacted by the ministry since the opening of its doors just 24 months ago.

The Lord continues to expand what we can offer to our current Homestead ladies and He has directed us to begin reaching out to those precious women who have not become Homesteaders YET!

I want to say a special "thank you" to each of you who pray faithfully for this ministry and also for those of you who have said "YES" to the Lord when He has asked you to support this ministry financially.

We truly could not continue without both, the intercession releasing God's power to transform lives, and the monies and provision to show the love of God with no strings attached. It takes both to holistically minister to the ladies that the Lord has entrusted into our care for a season.

I trust you will enjoy seeing some glimpses of what the Lord has been up to with The Homestead the last few months!



Deb Kluttz, executive director of The Homestead, enjoys coconut water on her mission trip to Cambodia.





1st GRADUATE

We are proud to announce that Deana Dickey is the first Homesteader to graduate from the program. Her graduation was held in May at Westview Community Church. Deana is now married, continues to live in Manhattan and works full-time as a dog groomer.



Two new arms of the Homestead



Dana Candillo (from left), of Lions Beauty Queens Kansas City; Deb Kluttz, exectuive director of The Homestead; Chelsea Maxlow, team captain of Lions Beauty Queens Manhattan; Sierra Scott, of Lions Beauty Queens Manhttan; and Amy Fernandez of Lions Beauty Queens Kansas City grab a snapshot in front of the vehicle that carries each of them, along with gifts for the women working at the strip clubs.

Sharing God's love with women in clubs

venue of outreach from The Homestead to dancers in our area through monthly gift bags and roses.

We distribute about 60 gifts and roses monthly in four local clubs!

The goal is to communicate love, hope and options for life beyond dancing in clubs for those

Lions Beauty Queens Manhattan is a new ladies who interact with our team and receive the gifts.

> The Manhattan branch of this ministry began in April 2014. It continues to be very well-received by the women working in the strip clubs, as well as the managers. Praise God for these open doors and all the seeds we have planted.

A new way for families to serve families together

Imperfect, compassionate families who are willing to receive host family training are invited to partner with a new ministry — Safe Families Plus.

Safe Families Plus, a new wing of The Homestead, is a non-profit organization founded in partnership with Safe Families, an international movement of families giving hope to children and parents in crisis.

Deb Kluttz said Manhattan-area families who sign up become part of The Homestead's network of support and provision for the mother and her child(ren).

"We have the infrastructure developed — now we are just recruiting families," Kluttz said.

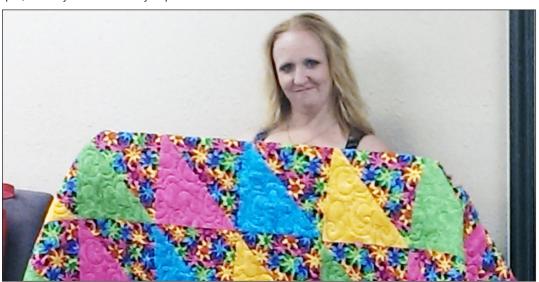
All families who sign up to serve will be screened and trained before hosting Homestead women and their children. The provision of Safe Families Plus will allow Homesteaders to keep their child and be with their child while fully participating in The Homestead's programs.

Homestead Happenings: Year in Review

July 2013 to July 2014

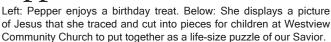


Homestead volunteers throw a birthday lunch for three of our Homesteaders. Below: Deana shows her graduation quilt, made by women of Trinity Baptist Church.



A sprinkling of Pepper around Manhattan









Homestead Intern Kaitlyn Black cuddles with Buddha at The Homestead house. Kaitlyn serves The Homestead by spending time with Homesteaders. She displayed courage and a sense of adventure by choosing to live at The Homestead for two weeks, twice. Though she now lives elsewhere in Manhattan, she frequents the house as one of The Homestead's hardworking, committed volunteers.

Kyla, Pepper and Ashley – three of our beautiful Homesteaders – enjoy some recreation time at Pillsbury Crossing in Manhattan.

The Homestead aims to help the women we serve live well-bal-anced and fullfilling lives, including both work and rest.



Homesteader, helpers share testimonies from past year

Thanks to your support, Christana got a car!

"It has given me independence, a feeling of freedom, and such gratefulness!

"If you put your trust in God, good things will happen and He will take care of your needs."

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~ Christana, Homesteader

Chelsea is coming to know God more by ministering with us at strip clubs.



"God has been blowing my mind with this ministry. When I first started to get involved I was really nervous and scared because I had never gone into a strip club and I did not know if I was going to cry or want to punch all the men in the face. But the day of the outreach Father God poured his peace, comfort, courage and spirit all over me and the group. I have no doubt that God was with us and continues to be with us as we go into the clubs.

"It's an honor and blessing to see the girls faces light up when we come in to hug them and give them gifts and to just love them. Such a basic way to show love that ministers to their hearts and mine. Father God is so good! He is healing and teaching me so many things through this ministry. He deserves all the glory!"

~ Chelsea Moxlow, team captain of Lion's Beauty Queens Manhattan

Rachel is delving into and seeing the value of Safe Families Plus.

"I love learning about Safe Families Plus and how it is an excellent resource for the church.

"What a great opportunity for a Homesteader and her child to be discipled/supported in a godly home while fully participating in The Homestead Program!"



~ Rachel Ladenburger, intern of Safe Families Plus

Note: Rachel also recently signed on as a transcriptionist for the girls' stories to be written!

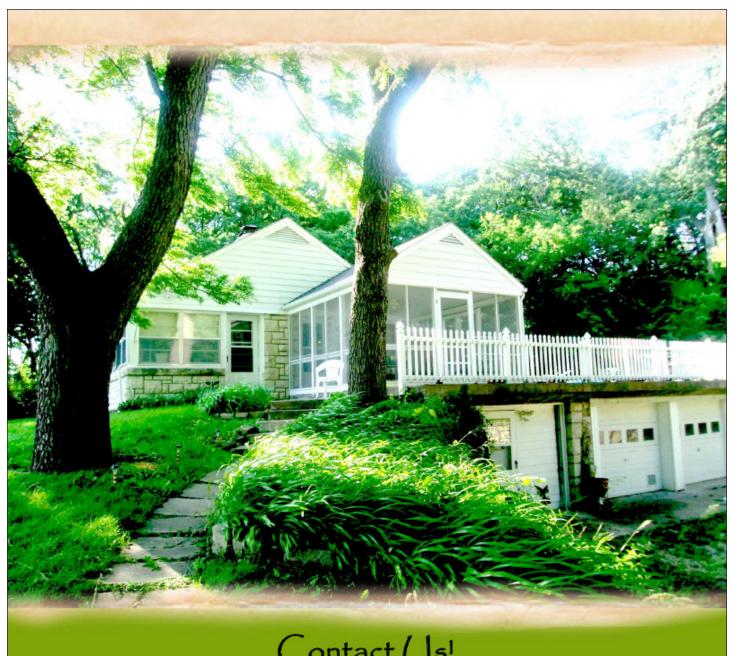
Anette is helping women find foundation, spread their wings and fly!



"I was very excited when Deb had selected me to assist with bringing much-needed support for the ladies coming out of the situations they are in through being the team captain for Safe Families Plus.

"My heart through God's will wants to see these ladies get back on their feet spiritually and meet life's goals. They have so much good to share! It is like helping them to realize a positive foundation and then spreading their wings to fly and utilize that foundation both spiritually and personally."

~ Annette Sanford, team captain of Safe Families Plus



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