



Network News



Stories of HOPE | 2019 | Holistic Opportunities for Parenting Education Since 1982

Greetings from Gail

This holiday season, I am thankful for all who have created the many stories of HOPE that I've cherished over the past 37 years. These stories owe their happy endings to you. Your generosity gives single mothers a strong start with their infants, a community of peers on their journey, and a foundation for their future. With your help, that foundation can grow even stronger in 2020.

Sincerely,

Gail
Gail Grenier Sweet
Founder



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Our Mission

HOPE Network offers Greater Milwaukee single mothers connections, resources, and opportunities to build self-reliance and strong families.

Our Vision

Single mothers who join HOPE Network will be empowered to:

- Build community
- Provide safe environments for their children
- Learn the patience and skills necessary to raise healthy children



"I may not have everything figured out, but what always keeps me going is a strong mindset"

— Margie Albizures
2019 Winner,
Rachel Holley Sciortino
Educational Grant

What We Do

HOPE Network is the Milwaukee area's most comprehensive resource for single mothers.

In 1982, we became the first local source for free cribs. Over time, that program expanded to provide education about safe sleep, as well as infant supplies for new moms. As their children grow, families find ongoing support with our quarterly *Network News*, our free clothing/diaper bank, and free family events & enrichment.

For the future, we fund scholarships, which can be used for tuition or for childcare while the mom attends school.



2019 By the Numbers

3,000 portable cribs provided since 1982!

288 HOPE Network Members

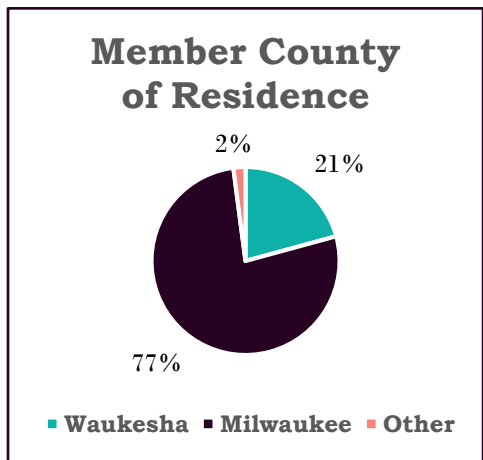
\$21,800 in scholarships granted

2,317 Tickets to family events distributed

16,303 quarterly readers of *Network News*

New in 2019

In 2019, we launched a new initiative, following up with new moms 6-9 months after delivery and providing a fresh batch of clothing and supplies. Look for more on this program in 2020!



- 593** families served at Mother's Trading Post
- 60** backpacks given to children at our picnic
- \$68,466** in donated items distributed
- 104** layette (infant supply) bags distributed

This season of gratitude, I am particularly thankful for you, one of the many local supporters who've helped deepen HOPE Network's impact in 2019.

Your generosity reaches families in even the most challenging circumstances. After a recent fire, one member lost everything – including her two month-old baby's new crib. We quickly replaced the crib, connected her to housing, and helped purchase new clothing for mom and baby. A devastating loss was transformed into a fresh start. Please join me in 2020 to transform more lives together.

With Hope,
Liz

Liz Beaudoin
Executive Director



The Story of Your Impact

When you give to HOPE Network, you can be proud of the impact that your dollars have on the local community. Gifts of any size make a true difference to area women and families. Whether you have donated infant supplies, gently used clothing to our clothing bank, diapers to our community of providers, or funds toward a scholarship, your support has helped write another successful chapter in HOPE's story. Now is the time to make a gift for the New Year.

Please give generously on our website, hopenetworkinc.org, or use the enclosed envelope. Your gift will help write an even better ending for single moms in 2020.

Thank you for your support!

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Committee
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Greenfield Woman's
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Maria Holley

Gifts of \$1,000-4,999

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