



Goshen Interfaith Hospitality Network

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March 2018 Newsletter

GIHN STAFF

We have had lots of changes here at GIHN so we would like to start off with introducing our full time staff to you and the positions they hold.

Mindy Morehead, Executive Director



GIHN now has a new director, Mindy Morehead. Mindy has moved up from her previous position of Site Supervisor, which she held for the past five years. She also currently serves as the chair for Region 2 Homeless

Coalition. Mindy is very compassionate about helping others and raising awareness for the homeless. She is married to John and they have two girls, Jasmine and Abby. Jasmine is a freshman in college and Abby is a freshman in high school. She has 3 dogs who are very much a part of their family. Mindy spends her free time enjoying her family.

Joan Dehart, Site Supervisor



Joan Dehart, the new Site Supervisor at GIHN, was a case manager for a self-sufficiency program and a welfare case worker for many years. She has a bachelor's degree in Sociology with a Social Worker

concentration. Joan and her husband Scott have been married for over 31 years. They have a son still at home, Ben, who is a senior in high school and three dogs, Duchess, Molly and Lucy, whom

she loves dearly. She resides in Elkhart and enjoys spending her free time with her family and friends.

Trevor Fein, Administrative Assistant



Trevor Fein, Administrative Assistant, was previously a weekend staff person for almost a year and has really enjoyed working with our families here at GIHN. He graduated from Wawasee High School in the

spring of 2017 and resides in Syracuse with his mom and brother. In his free time Trevor likes to hang out with his friends.

Part-time Weekend Staff

Daisy Gasper, Brian Snyder, Javier Prieto, and Jasmine Morehead

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

by Mindy Morehead

I would like to start off by saying thank you to each one of you for your continued support of GIHN through our transitioning period.

We are all settled into our fixed site at St. Mark's United Methodist Church. We have had many positive things happening since moving into the facility.



Since being in our fixed site in late November, we have served 12 families consisting of 16 adults and 30 children and 10 single ladies. We also were able to take in 3 single ladies in the middle of the night during the cold temperatures by working with the mayor and the Goshen Police Department. Out of the 12 families, 7 of them have moved out into their own homes with the money they were saving while being in our program.

As we continue to expand our program and identify new and better ways to serve our guest, we have seen an increase in our monthly expenses. We appreciate your financial support and hope that you continue to remember us throughout this year. "Check our needs list for our immediate needs."



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

We are looking to increase our volunteer database. We could use volunteers for transporting guests to and from appointments and jobs. We also would like to have more volunteers that would like to serve our guests supper and spend the evening with them, with our biggest need for this being during the week of Thanksgiving and the two weeks of Christmas and New Year's.

EMPTY BOWL

For 18 years, the Goshen Clay Artists Guild have gathered their friends and the community to join them in one very special night for fellowship to help others. The Empty Bowl Soup Supper is a community event for everyone.



For a suggested donation of \$15, guests pick out a handmade pottery bowl, a delicious soup of their choice, bread, beverage and dessert. Proceeds go to GIHN to help with our programs.

Please come out on Saturday, March 31, 2018, from 5-8 pm to the Goshen Farmers Market and enjoy great company along with a bowl of soup.

Church Dedication and Volunteer Appreciation

We will be having a Dedication of our Fixed Site and our Volunteer Appreciation event on Sunday, April 22, 2018 at St. Mark's United Methodist Church. Prayer/Dedication will be starting at 2:00 pm with the Volunteer Appreciation Event starting at 2:30 pm with our Ice Cream Social.



THANK YOU

We would to thank everyone again for their generous donations that made our Fixed Site possible. We want to say a special thanks to our big donors:



Bontrager Family Foundation
Schrock Family

GIHN NEEDS

Make a difference with GIHN by sending in a donation from the following needs list or by monetary donations being sent to 105 S. Third Street, Goshen, IN 46526.

Paper Towels
Toilet Paper
Dish Soap
Disinfectant Wipes
Napkins

We also are in need of a new transmission for our Honda minivan or if anyone who has a 7 passenger van that they would like to donate we would greatly appreciate it!

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GIHN Board Members

Jan Oostland • Jo Ellen Bernstein • Jessica Camacho • Ray Collins • Delores Greenawalt • John Hickey • Marcy Kisseberth • Tim Lichti • Cory Martin • Joe Miller • Pat Robbins

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GIHN Staff

Mindy Morehead • Joan Dehart • Trevor Fein
Daisy Gaspar • Brian Snyder • Javier Prieto • Jasmine Morehead • Becca Briscoe

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GIHN would not exist without Host Churches—Thank you!

Assembly Mennonite Church • Berkey Avenue Mennonite Fellowship • East Goshen Mennonite Church • Faith Lutheran • Faith Mennonite Church • First United Methodist Church • Goshen City Church of the Brethren • Maple City Chapel • North Goshen Mennonite Church • River Oaks Community Church • Silverwood Mennonite Church • St. John the Evangelist Church • St. Mark's United Methodist Church • St. Mary's Antiochian Orthodox Church • Walnut Hill Mennonite Church • Waterford Mennonite Church • Yellow Creek Mennonite Church • 8th Street Mennonite Church



Of Special Note:

- Empty Bowl: Saturday, March 31, 2018, 5:00 – 8:00 pm
- Dedication/Volunteer Appreciation: Sunday, April 22, 2018, dedication starting at 2:00 pm with our Ice Cream Volunteer Appreciation starting at 2:30 pm



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