It Really Does Take a Village

At one of our most recent board meetings, I was reminded that it does take a village to support our clients. We find they are almost always in a fragile point in their lives when they are ready for re-entry. They made a bad decision and now they are trying to put the pieces of their lives back together—often without emotional, financial, or social support.

New Hour’s goal is to help women in this very challenging process. How we do that is through a community of caring people who serve on our board, our dedicated staff, and our angel group of volunteers and financial supporters. This incredible “village” comes together to provide a litany of services, including: school supplies; child custody, care giver, transportation, and housing support; and ongoing financial and emotional aid. A full agenda, yes, but with this wonderful community working together, we can serve our very deserving clients.

Regards,
Judith White
President, Board of Directors
New Hour for Women and Children – LI

New Hour Brings New Hope

Reflecting on my own path to re-entry, I know just how deeply New Hour women relish their freedom—it really means hope, choice, self-expression, empowerment, support, and a fresh start. Many of our women and their families have never before had the opportunity to experience the kind of one-on-one support that New Hour now offers. We are dedicated to breaking the barriers to employment, transportation, and economic opportunities so our women are able to achieve their re-entry goals.

For New Hour children, we work hard to ensure they feel loved and support their reunification with their mothers. To all of our member families—we are here, we are with you, and remember that this is your New Hour. To our supporters—we hope you will take a moment to remember New Hour during the holidays, donate a toy for needy children, or volunteer for upcoming events. On behalf of New Hour and all of the families we help, thank you for generosity.

Gratefully,
Serena Liguori
Executive Director
New Hour for Women and Children – LI
Spread Holiday Joy Through New Hour!

New Hour for Women and Children – LI seeks your support to brighten the lives of children this holiday season. Please help by providing a gift for any child visiting an incarcerated parent in December. For more information, contact Executive Director Serena Liguori at (631) 273-3300, (631) 672-7147, or sliguori@newhourli.org.

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To our donors, we greatly appreciate your support. Please send monetary and in-kind donations to the address above or visit our website. With approximately 200 incarcerated women—of whom 60 participate in our weekly jail programming and over 70 mothers, caregivers, and children are receiving wraparound services in the community—your generous ongoing support is greatly welcomed and appreciated.

Hear Directly From Our Mothers

Last year, four members worked with a filmmaker from the Tribeca Film Institute to share their stories and create a short documentary. Take a look to learn more about our services:

bit.ly/newhourli

Working with All Saints Greek Orthodox Monastery

Pam Monahan, a longtime New Hour supporter and founding board member, introduced us to Sister Theonymphi, or “Sister T” as she is affectionately known, from All Saints Greek Orthodox Monastery in Calverton, N.Y. We met at the farm where she and Sister Felonia founded the organization in 2014. The Sisters support victims of sex trafficking through their local business where they employ survivors who hand-make paraben-free candles, soaps, and lotions. All Saints is sponsoring donations of toiletries to New Hour women in re-entry and is seeking to employ some of our mothers. For more information, visit whitefieldfarm.org.

Partner Spotlight:
St. Boniface Episcopal Church

When St. Boniface Episcopal food pantry volunteers (right) called the Suffolk County sheriff’s office looking to support incarcerated women, they were referred to New Hour. We were able to help them gather more food from SJC Land Initiatives, where fresh produce is now donated to coordinator Debbie Richberg of St. Boniface and other volunteers who travel across Long Island weekly to bring much-needed food to our mothers and children.

Halloween Highlights!

On Oct. 24, held our annual Halloween party where New Hour children had a chance to stuff scarecrows, pet farm animals, and enjoy dinner outside of the barn. Thank you to our supporters for their generous donation of children's costumes and a big thank you to Heather for hosting us at Honey House, the Sisters of St. Joseph's organic farm in Brentwood, N.Y., and New Hour moms who baked cupcakes and helped set up the pumpkin painting and piñatas—we appreciate your help!