

Since 2012, Shining Light Homes has helped over 70 homeless single mothers. What we have learned by helping these young mothers is that they have little support from their family or the father of the baby and struggle to acquire basic needs. This is where Shining Light Homes focuses our efforts through the Life Line Program.

Life Line Program

The Life Line Program is a multi-faceted initiative and designed to help single mothers get "unstuck" by providing the assistance and resources they need to move from feeling overwhelmed and helpless to successful and hopeful about their future. Our goal is to positively change/influence the young women we serve by equipping them with everything they need to thrive and be successful in their life, raising happy and healthy children.

We work to help them find:

Temporary and safe environment to live and raise their child(ren)

Reliable Transportation

Job that pays a livable wage

Childcare that is safe and dependable.

Connection to local resources for basic necessities such as diapers, wipes, bedding, food.

Light of Hope Initiative (Giving)

To help these mothers begin to receive the help they need, Shining Light Homes instituted the Light of Hope giving initiative. Through the help of donations and local resource partners, we provide our moms with food, baby food and formula, diapers, wipes, and other necessities a young pregnant mom needs to take care of herself and her baby. Funding also allows us to provide various education and training opportunities so that our moms can become self-sufficient and have a positive impact on the communities in which they live and work.

To see our Light of Hope giving levels see below.

Light of Grace Initiative (Immediate needs)

The Light of Grace Initiative focuses on meeting the immediate needs of our single moms.

Through the help of donations and local resource partners, Shining Light Homes is able to provide a mom in crisis with food, baby food and formula, diapers, wipes, and other necessities immediately.

Light of Discovery Initiative (Education)

Shining Light Homes believes that single mothers should have access to quality education and training so they may become self-sufficient and have a positive impact on the communities in which they live and work. Our goal is for the Light of Discovery program to positively

change/influence the young women we serve by equipping them with everything they need to thrive and be successful in their life, raising happy and healthy children. Light of Discovery is designed to meet the needs of our individual client no matter where they are in the education process. Our basic courses are offered in-house to help our clients better determine where they are now, how to begin moving forward and finally set realistic and attainable goals for the next 3, 5 and 10 years. We offer Parenting Skills workshops to ensure our clients are creating a healthy and positive environment to raise their children. To meet educational needs outside of Shining Light Homes purview, Shining Light Homes has partnered with the Institute for Behavioral Training and Bryant and Stratton College.

Lighthouse Initiative (Rent/Living Assistance/Transitional Home)

Through the Lighthouse Program, Shining Light Homes hopes to purchase a transitional home (Life-Line Home) where up to 6 expectant mothers (or mothers with no more than 2 toddler age children) can call "home" for a 2-year period of time. During this time, Shining Light Homes will work with each mother to provide education and training, career and general counseling, goal setting and budgeting for their future. It is our hope and plan that at the end of their stay they will have "broken the cycle" of being stuck and leave with all basic needs met. They will have the security of a safe place to live and raise a child, an upwardly mobile career, access to reliable transportation, and dependable and safe childcare.



<u>LIGHT OF HOPE</u> <u>Monthly Giving Levels</u>	
Flicker	\$5
Spark	\$20
Flame	\$50
Beam	\$100
Lantern	\$300
Guidepost	\$500
Lighthouse	\$1,000