

Bridge Houses, Inc.

Hope/Healthy Living for Women in Recovery

Helping people be in the right place, with the right people....so they will do the right thing. A hand up, not a hand out.

An amazing journey.....

Bridge Houses, Inc. was established in Bartlesville, Oklahoma in the fall of 2016, birthed out of the jail ministry in Washington County that was started in 2014 by our founder Nancy Love-Wilson. **We were granted federal 501c3 non-profit status in February 2017.**

2017 was a year of prayer, research and fundraising, blessings, heartache, and standing in faith; searching for a property that would allow us to be on-site to manage the ministry and provide transportation for the women we serve.

God blessed us the end of August 2017, not with a house that we expected, but with an apartment; our office/manager's unit .

In November 2017 we got the keys to our first women's unit. It was nasty! I pulled carpet, cleaned and painted.....sweat equity.....

.....and, our first woman in recovery moved in on 12/7/17.

We were richly blessed by individuals, churches, organizations, and our friends and family who donated money to pay rent and utilities, and household items to furnish the women's units which allowed us to have a beautiful place for this ministry.

From Dec. 2017 through the end of April, 2018 we provided a meal each week and presented the **Alpha Film Series**, connecting Bartlesville women in recovery with women from our community.

2018 has been a continued journey of faith. We took the other 2 units of the quad-plex for the Kingdom of God In February, from the people who sold drugs next door to Bartlesville High School.

In April we had a successful breakfast fundraiser at the

Elks Lodge, thanks to Kathleen Hargis, her friends and Truity Credit Union, our corporate sponsor.

We are so thankful for generous donations from employees/retirees and matching grants from Phillips 66 and ConocoPhillips, and a generous grant from Lyon Foundation.

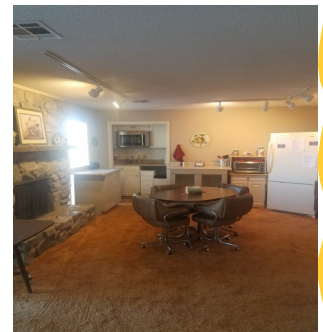
In June we lost the roof off of our manager's unit in a storm, but God was faithful and we did not lose any of our personal property. Instead, He saved us money and opened doors of opportunity.

On August 31, 2018 we moved Bridge Houses to a beautiful home, saving approx. \$1000 per month from the cost of the 4 apartment units....and we no longer have to worry about the neighbors.

We are humbled by and excited for the opportunities before us in the coming year. **Thank you for your prayers and support,**

Nancy

December 2018



In 2018 Bridge Houses:

- ⇒ Ministered to 14 women in our Houses, including a single mom with teenaged daughter and a woman coming out of a domestic abuse shelter.
- ⇒ Provided women with identification and clothing/shoes needed to go to work.
- ⇒ Provided transportation to women in recovery to their jobs, counseling, doctor appointments, life skill meetings, and time with their children.
- ⇒ Ministered to hundreds of women in Washington County jail with bibles, Christian books, and encouraging scripture cards.

Your tax deductible year-end donation will help us continue to make a difference in the lives of Oklahoma women and their children.

Together we are better!