

2024



CARPENTER'S PLACE™
PROVIDING THE TOOLS FOR REBUILDING LIVES™

FEBRUARY

Inspired by Christ's compassion, Carpenter's Place offers direction with accountability to people with broken lives, helping them find peace with God, themselves and their communities.

DEVIN: A STORY OF SWEET SUCCESS

Due to health issues that resulted in hospitalization and subsequent rehabilitation at a nursing home, Devin became homeless. Addressing his addictions was crucial; without doing so, his health would continue to deteriorate.

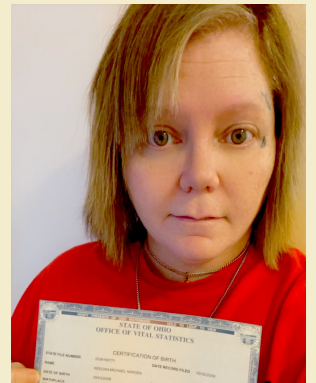
With the assistance of the Salvation Army recovery program, working through the 12 steps with a supportive sponsor, and reconnecting with God, Devin found his solution. He spent a total of 10 months at the Salvation Army, with 2 months dedicated to the work part of the program. But, upon completing the program, Devin faced limited housing options. Unable to find anything, he found himself sober but once again homeless.

It was through his sponsor that Devin learned about Carpenter's Place's Success House, our transitional housing program designed to support sobriety and employment for men. After residing at Success House for 4 months, Devin affirms that the name perfectly reflects his journey. The program participants, as well as his CP case manager Tina, provide crucial support and accountability to each other. Witnessing the success of those around him motivates Devin to continue rebuilding his life.

Devin is now 16 months sober, a significant milestone. He works the third shift at PCI, requiring transportation to and from work. Initially, he relied on an electric bike, but after diligent saving, he was able to purchase a car. Devin's journey is a testament to his resilience and determination, and we are privileged to be part of it. His progress reflects his hard work and commitment to reclaiming stability and purpose in his life.

TARA FINDS JOY IN MOVING FORWARD!

Prior to coming to Carpenter's Place, Tara faced many obstacles in her attempt to obtain the birth certificate for her son. Since becoming part of our Family Services Transitional Housing Program, Tara has been able to obtain just that! She was very excited that she received this document in such a timely manner. Tara is extremely grateful for the resources and help that Carpenter's Place Family Services has provided her. She now has all the documents needed to begin the process of obtaining her own home.



2023 MILESTONES TO SHARE

Adult Services:

- **34** adults obtained housing
- **46** adults secured employment (26 were full-time)

Family Services

- **6** families obtained housing (8 adults and 20 children)
- **16** heads of households secured employment (10 full-time)

WE GIVE THANKS...

"Be strong and do not give up, for your work will be rewarded."

– 2 Chronicles 15:7 (NIV)

MEETING THE NEED

GET TO KNOW...SUE



Sue joined Carpenter's Place in November 2023 as a general case manager and Mental Health Housing Coordinator. Sue's objective is to assist our guests in accomplishing their life goals through case management and a personal relationship with Jesus Christ. Previously, Sue was a Travel RN Case Manager and has worked coast to coast. She has also worked at SwedishAmerican Hospital.

Sue's five grandchildren (ages 2 to 8)

are the light of her life. She enjoys spending time with them, especially playing their favorite games. She also enjoys music, gardening, sports, and just being outside. Sue came to know Carpenter's Place while working at her church on a donation program for us. Sue knows that CP was where the Lord wanted her.

FEBRUARY NEEDS

- Plastic Forks and Spoons
- 16 oz disposable bowls
- 8 oz disposable coffee cups
- Travel Size Shampoo
- Shaving Cream
- Women's Deodorant
- Individual Tissue Packets
- Men's Boxers or Boxer/Briefs (sizes Small thru 3X)
- Men's Jeans: Waist sizes 30 thru 34 (various lengths)
- Powdered Creamer
- Coffee
- Sugar

If you have any questions regarding our in-kind needs, please do not hesitate to reach out to Patti at PattiF@carpentersplace.org or call Patti at 779-210-2975.

OPEN MEALS

FEBRUARY:

BREAKFAST:

12, 14, 16, 20, 21, 28

LUNCH: 7, 13, 20, 26, 29

MARCH:

BREAKFAST:

1, 4, 5, 11, 13, 15, 18, 19, 20, 22, 27

LUNCH: 4, 6, 7, 12, 19, 20, 25

TO SECURE A DATE:

Email Mandy at

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THANKFUL FOR 'THE LITTLE THINGS'

On January 17th, a car hit an electrical pole in the neighborhood of Carpenter's Place. We had a brown-out for over an hour, and the power went out entirely by mid-morning. We were running around trying to ensure services for our guests without lights, computers, or even a way to heat food. It was chaos for a while when one of our case managers said, "It makes you think, some of our guests don't even have this." In our world of instant services and conveniences, it is important to remember each little thing we can give is more than what some people have available to them.

Make a difference in someone's life today, donate here.

To make a **DONATION**, visit:

<http://weblink.donorperfect.com/cpdonate>.



BECOME A CP VOLUNTEER IN 2024!

Volunteers are important to the work we do at Carpenter's Place. Have you thought about becoming a volunteer? Here are some wonderful opportunities:



- **VOLUNTEERING IN THE KITCHEN:** This position helps to serve our guests as well as keep our kitchen clean and running smoothly.
- **PROVIDE AND SERVE A MEAL:** We serve breakfast and lunch each weekday to our guests and are always looking for individuals, churches and businesses to provide a meal (and serve if able).
- **TREATS FOR BIRTHDAYS:** Each month we celebrate our guests' birthdays. We are looking for people to provide a birthday treat for 70 guests for one or more months.
- **HANDYMAN:** From our main location to the various buildings we own, we are looking for one or two people to help with small projects or needs.
- **BINGO:** This wonderful past time is always a hit with our guests. We are always looking for groups to facilitate Bingo or other fun fellowship ideas with those we serve.
- **OTHER:** Maybe you have an idea to share.

We would love to hear from you.

Contact Mandy at MandyB@carpentersplace.org or 779.210.2975.



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