

NEW WAY MINISTRIES

GREAT EXPECTATIONS . NEW WAY HOME . NEXT STEPS

New Way Ministries Newsletter

Spring 2021

*O, I will sing of the
goodness of God!*



“Come near to God, and He will come near to you.” James 4:8

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Be strong and of good courage; do not be afraid, nor be dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go. — Joshua 1:9



When I was in second grade, I was an anxious child. I was unsure of myself, my friends, and life seemed too big at times for me to understand. At night, my mother would repeat this beautiful verse to me as she tucked me into bed, reminding me of God's presence with me, and that I did not need to be afraid. One afternoon, I found a scrap of wood left in my dad's shop and burned this verse onto it with my wood burning kit. It hung in my room, and later in our family cabin as a reminder of God's tender care for us who so easily are overwhelmed by what we see going on around us.

This past year has been a swirling, changing, unsettling, unclear, and foggy year in so many ways. It has seemed that darkness is gaining the upper hand and goodness is hard to find. These days have had an impact here at New Way as well. We have had to wade through unfamiliar days with women and children who are already adrift and may not even know what it is like to have a "home." Our families have had to navigate uncharted waters of online school, virtual "counseling and treatment," distance from other support people or services, and a host of other added difficulties. This has been a challenge for sure, but it has also created a unique opportunity for us to share about our amazing God who loves us and carries us. *I have made, and I will bear; even I will carry, and will deliver you. — Isaiah 46:4 KJV*

God, who helped me be courageous as a small child, will also be with them, giving them courage and strength to face what each new day brings. I can still hear the voice of my mother reading this verse, reminding me to "be strong, be courageous, God himself is with you." As we step into this new year, we are reminded that God is indeed with us; nothing will stop His love or His plans for those He loves. When we feel afraid, or stuck, God is with us. When the world spins seemingly out of control, He is right there. He is not surprised by the worlds' events. We can walk ahead with strength and courage. What a mighty and good God we serve!

In the strong name of Jesus,

You make a difference to families who need help

Help a family in crisis make a new start...

- Consider becoming a monthly donor: call our office at (360) 354-9930 or sign up on our website: newway-ministries.org
- Make a one time tax deductible donation
- Check out our wish list on Amazon!

Because of YOU we are able offer *hope*, *help*, and a safe place for families in crisis.

OUR MISSION is to minister to the immediate needs of each woman and child here, and to provide compassionate care and counsel in a loving Christian atmosphere.

Our Three Programs:

Our **GREAT EXPECTATIONS** program is specifically designed to provide shelter and nurture for pregnant moms or moms with young infants.

NEW WAY home is for moms and kids. This is a 6 month structured program.

NEXT STEPS is a more independent apartment living program for graduates of our New Way home.

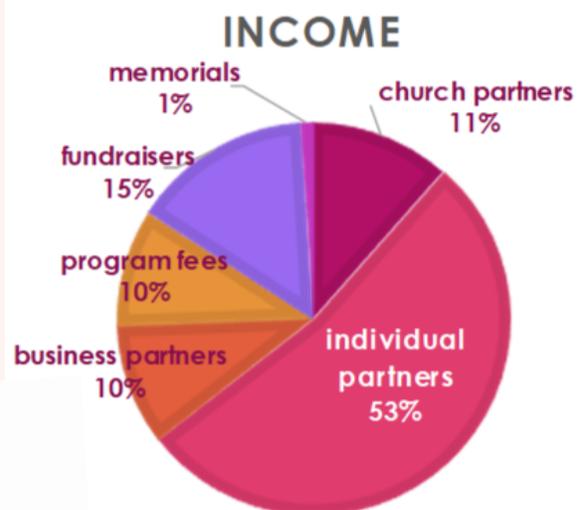
Our program is designed to assist families in finding a stable and permanent living environment, dependable income, and encouraging, loving, and safe parent/child relationships.

"We love you all and will never forget how you loved us too!"

A and kids -former residents 2020

2020 OPERATIONAL BUDGET

100% of our budget comes from our community. We do not receive any government funding!



* fundraising includes newsletters, mailings and special events

During the last year we were privileged to serve **31 women and 50 children.**

We had 5 beautiful babies born here!



We have been blessed

Mt Baker Rotary Education Center at New Way Ministries.... in progress!

New Way Ministries was hugely blessed this year by the Mt. Baker Rotary Club. Under the leadership of President, Mira Swiecicki, we were chosen as the focus of their annual fundraiser held in September of 2020. Specifically, the Mt. Baker Rotary Club wanted to fund the remodel of a classroom space and create a state of the art education center that will hold our life skills classes, as well as classes that will be open to our community. The fundraiser together with a grant raised \$70,000 to make this space a reality. This will include new lighting, flooring, windows, updated technology, desks, and a classroom space big enough to hold our residents and community. We have the demolition of the area complete at this time and will begin construction as soon as the permits are ready! This will be our first dedicated classroom space and we are brimming with ideas for its use by residents, their children, and members of our local community. Class subjects might be budgeting, food and nutrition, healthy relationships, boundaries with kids, CPR, parenting, fitness, and a host of other classes that help us offer a well-rounded program to our moms and children. We are looking forward to this incredible place for learning and growth, and are so thankful to the Mt. Baker Rotary for making it happen.



from a mom of ours...

"New Way Ministries has been the most amazing experience for my son and I. We couldn't be happier. Not only has New Way Ministries given us hope, but also structure. This program is great because you get your own case manager who really cares about you. They help you set goals and achieve your goals in a timely manner. Everyone really cares about your well-being. New Way Ministries has not only given me guidance spiritually, but also mentally, emotionally and helped instill confidence. I know I now have a full time job, wonderful transportation and a healthy lifestyle. New Way thank you for believing in me and for everything you are doing." P&Z

WE HAVE RECEIVED GIFTS IN HONOR AND MEMORY OF

Katy Hooper Michael Knapp Jan Kok Marvin Kok Bill Mantha
Julie Martin Kathy Nydam Herald VanBerkum Marta Veldman Doc Zylstra

MAKE A WELCOME HOME BASKET!

We welcome each family here at New Way with a clean, bright room furnished with clean towels, linens and essentials. We pray each room will be a blessing, a place of peace, hope, and renewed joy.

You can create a welcome basket with any of the following items:

New twin sheets and mattress pad, towel sets, paper towels, dish soap, laundry pods, shampoo and conditioner, hangers, disinfecting wipes, hand soap, toilet paper, toothbrush and toothpaste, paper towels.

Other Items we can use:

- Toilet paper and paper towels
- Kitchen garbage bags
- Diapers size 5 and 6

See our current needs list on Amazon and follow us on Facebook

[amazon.com](https://www.amazon.com)



ABUNDANT LIFE

Our organization has been blessed to partner with an organization called **Abundant Life**. "Abundant Life is a nonprofit to nonprofits. A ministry to ministries. We exist to lift the weary arms of service providers who faithfully meet the needs of parents and children in our community." This amazing group offers a monthly auto clinic to our moms, where they provide basic car services including oil/filter changes, brake inspections, vehicle inspections and fluid replacement. They have sent new mattresses for our rooms, helped a mother with the cost of new tires, and been a wonderful source of help and encouragement for our staff and residents. Partnering with Abundant Life has meant a greater connection to the work God is doing throughout our area. It has allowed us to serve our moms in tangible ways that convey "we see and hear you-you aren't alone." We are grateful for the blessing of this community partnership that loves our Lord and is such a support to so many pro-life organizations.

Abundant Life is a non profit whose mission is to advance Gospel-centered life-affirming work. (James 1:27, John 10:10) www.abundantlifewa.org



Hello to new staff and thank you to retiring staff

"Whoever brings blessing will be enriched, and one who waters will himself be watered." Proverbs 11:25

We joyfully welcome Connie Kooi and Chris Vanderyacht to New Way Ministries!

Connie retired from teaching at Lynden Christian School in 2020, and will be working with our residents as a Case Manager. When she is not at New Way, Connie is busy with her 4 children and 8 grandchildren. We are grateful for her tender heart, and the gifts that she brings here to love, encourage, and share the love of Christ with these families.

Chris joined us as night and weekend staff in July of 2020. She has attended Cornwall Church for 55 years. She and her husband have 2 children and 4 grandchildren. Her desire to serve here is a blessing to our residents.

Charissa Brower has retired after sixteen years as night and weekend staff. She has been at New Way longer than any other staff person! We wish her well in what ever new adventures God has for her in the future.

We are thankful that God has provided for our families through your gifts and service.





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I BELIEVE IN THE
GOODNESS OF GOD.



Forging a future for families...

Last fall we were able to purchase the back section of our building from the Lynden School District. To make this possible, we received a significant gift from a local foundation. We will share more about this gift and our project in the coming months. This addition will add four new family rooms, one long term apartment, a community education center, resident support area, and offices. We are working to have this area re-modeled and open for residents

by summer 2021. We would love to have you join this incredible project. You can help us with a gift towards the purchase of fixtures, the balance of our mortgage, or other construction costs. Feel free to contact us for more information or to volunteer.

Coming soon! We will look forward to sharing with our community the completion of this new addition. We will celebrate with an open house and dedication. We gratefully consecrate this work to the One who is the giver of all good things.

IN GRATEFULNESS

Bedlington Foundation
Mt Baker Rotary
Elements Design
Mike and Elissa Klaczynski

We are grateful for these partners and their help in the remodel and opening of our new wing of the building!

Thank you for helping our families feel loved in a place where they can begin a New Way of life.

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Check us out on Facebook
and Amazon for updates.

