



FRESH START

MATERNITY SUPPORTS



"For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future" Jeremiah 29:11

A Message from Our Board Chair



On Monday, April 20, fire broke out in one of the apartments at Fresh Start Maternity Supports. Thanks to the quick action of the residents and staff, particularly Carolyn Bernardo, everyone was safely evacuated and no one was harmed.

The quick response from the St. Thomas fire department ensured that the fire was contained to a single unit, however smoke damage permeated the entire facility. Thank you to the work crew from WINMAR who worked extensively to clean and restore the remaining property, and dispose of damaged materials as needed.

Our priority remains the safety and well-being of residents and staff, while ensuring that Fresh Start continues to deliver the high-quality services that it is known for throughout the region.

We covet your prayers as we continue to work through the restoration of the Fresh Start apartment so that it can be opened to a new resident as quickly as possible – a task that will take time and financial support as a result of some shortcomings in our insurance coverage. We are actively working to address the insurance concerns to ensure appropriate and adequate coverage for Fresh Start.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, thank you to our loyal donors, supporters, and friends in the community. Your ongoing support over the years, and in the days that followed the fire is truly appreciated.

Sincerely,
Todd Rowley

Wish List

- video baby monitors
- 8 1/2 x 11 white printer paper
- paper towels
- laundry detergent & dryer sheets
- plungers for each of our bathrooms
- glass pyrex dishes with lids
- glass loaf pans
- totes for storage in basement
- cleaning products
- pop and chips/snacks
(for Friday movie night)
- pillows
- small denomination gift cards for Tim Hortons, Foodland, Shoppers and Walmart
- large denomination gift cards for grocery stores
- new DVD Players
- new/good condition pots & pans, bowls and cookware items
(for upstairs apartments)
- meat

FUNDRAISING BANQUET Sponsors

Due to technical difficulties at our Fundraising Banquet on May 6, 2016, we were unable to display our list of banquet sponsors so here it is!

Thanks so much to the following sponsors for making our event possible:

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| Aylmer Full Gospel | Heritage Garden Gallery |
| Aylmer Knights of Columbus | Kielstra Siding and Windows |
| Baribeau Construction | London's Flooring Canada |
| Beck Tire Inc | Martin's Lift Truck Service |
| Bridgeview Motors | McGregor Auto Parts |
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| Factory Muffler | Tri-Corp Transportation |
| Flower Fountain | Erica VanDaalen |
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| Goodwill's Used Cars | Wendy's Restaurant |
| Graham Scott Enns Chartered | Wiebe Transport |
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providing hope and a future

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Summer Superstar!

Raigan

For her 11th birthday, this sweetheart asked that the gifts she received be for our Mom's and babies here at Fresh Start. Thank you, Raigan, for your thoughtfulness and for being such a blessing to our Mom's and babies - You are AMAZING!



Prayer Meetings

Prayer meetings will be held on the first or second Monday evening of every month (with the exception of July & August). They begin at 7:00pm and take place at our home - 118 Centre St. St.Thomas. on the following dates:

- No meetings in July and August
- September 12th
- October 3rd
- November 7th
- No meeting in December



Save the Date

October 24th 2016

Girls Night Out

December 3rd 2016

Gift Card Gathering



Baby Bottle Drive

Our Baby Bottle Drive collection is currently underway! Thank you to all of you who participated. Your generosity is such a blessing to us!

Fresh Start Gift policy: *Spending of funds is confined to FSMS-approved programs and projects. Each contribution directed towards an approved program or project will be used as restricted with the understanding that when the need for such a program or project has been met, or cannot be completed for any reason as determined by the board, the remaining restricted contributions will be used where most needed.*

Volunteers NEEDED

- Babysitters
- Gardeners - we are in desperate need of gardeners to clean up and maintain our gardens!
- Prayer Warriors

Please contact events@fsms.ca to apply for any of the above positions.

Sponsors NEEDED

We are looking for someone to sponsor the cost of redoing the following:

- redoing our main floor flooring
- redoing one of our bathrooms

For more information on the exact cost and details please contact Lori Wall at director@fsms.ca.

Financial Report

Year to Date (Jan-May)

Income	\$128,125.60
Expenses	\$155,695.96
Shortfall	\$27,570.36

Please consider how you can help financially with a donation to this life-changing ministry to women and children!

Please fill out the form below with the manner in which you desire to help.

Thank you so much for your contributions!



I would like to join the Pre-Approved Monthly Payment Plan (please fill out the information below)

name: (print) _____

phone: _____

address: _____

city: _____ province: _____

postal code: _____ date: _____

email: _____

signature: _____

I hereby authorize Fresh Start Maternity Supports to draw \$25.00 \$50.00 \$100.00 other \$ _____ from my account on the 15th of each month starting _____ Please attach a void cheque.

I would like to give a one-time donation at this time of \$ _____ where most needed or to be designated for _____

Thank you for your generous support!

You can also donate to Fresh Start Maternity Supports through www.CanadaHelps.org Simply type in our name and you'll see our Charity Giving Page!