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Elizabeth Ann Seton
Program



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A Message from Board President

Lisa Coakley

'Tis the season to be thankful and to celebrate. We at the Elizabeth Ann Seton Program are thankful for the many gifts, grants and support that we have received this year from our friends and family. We are truly blessed to be able to serve our clients and to bring to them a sense of family. Family that provides a safe place to land and a support system.

EAS celebrated our 20th Anniversary in 2016. This year we have served 925 mothers and their children. EAS meets clients at difficult points in their lives and helps them through their life crises; we then guide them to set their path to success in reaching personal goals and self-sufficiency. As our Executive Director, Dawn likes to say, "We offer our clients a hand up, not a hand-out".

When considering your end of the year gifts, please consider giving to the Elizabeth Ann Seton Program. The Elizabeth Ann Seton Program could not operate without your support. We do not have any state or federal funding. We operate on a very modest budget but have a big impact on the lives of many mothers and their children in our communities.

God Bless you and your family. Thank you for your support.

Lisa Coakley
President of the Board of Directors

2016 Mom Prom

The annual EAS Mom Prom went back in time to the Roaring 20's this year! EAS moms experienced a wonderful evening dancing, eating and enjoying what they may have missed as a teenager. EAS supporters had a wonderful time, too, and helped provide services to the program. Many hands made this event happen, including the Magnuson Grand Hotel for making Mom Prom such a success and Cinderella Affair for making our clients look beautiful with hair, dress, and makeup. Thank you.



Save the date!

Saturday, February 25, 2017

Each year the Elizabeth Ann Seton Program holds an annual event to help raise funds for programs offered by EAS that support mothers and children in Central Illinois.



This year we have decided to rock things a bit!

What's different this year?

Local Artists and Designers, like Felica Olin, are working hard on special designs specifically created for our EAS Rocks Adirondack Rocking Chairs. Each chair will be unique! All sponsors will choose a beautifully

designed Adirondack chair during the gala on **February 25, 2017**. Individual tickets may also be purchased for the event, and additional chairs will be auctioned during the gala.

To become a sponsor, visit our website, www.ElizabethAnnSetonProgram.org, email info@elizabethannsetonprogram.org or by calling EAS office at 217.757.6025

Join us for a rocking good evening with live entertainment, hors d'oeuvres, wine, beer, soft drinks and more!

The Mission of the Elizabeth Ann Seton (EAS) Program is to embrace the sanctity and dignity of life by nurturing pregnant and parenting women. EAS partners with multi-faith congregations and community organizations to provide support, education and practical assistance to women and their children.

EAS Points Program

The Blue Jeans to Business Boutique is accepting your gently worn clothes to help our moms access clothes for a job interview or for work. Clients use their points to "purchase" these clothes at the EAS office location.

Other items needed for the Moms Store:

Dish soap	Laundry detergent
Dryer sheets	Shampoo/conditioner
Kids' shampoo	Toothbrushes
Diapers	Baby lotion
Deodorant	Razors
Feminine hygiene products	

Support EAS

Your donation helps provide services to the 600 plus families in the Springfield, Litchfield and Beardstown communities.

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Program Updates

Springfield: The new Getting Ahead in a Just-Getting'-By World is being piloted at Lawrence Education Center. This program helps clients identify their resources and set goals to increase them. A complement to our Breaking the Cycle curriculum, Getting Ahead is a nationally proven method to help clients become self-sufficient.

The annual Moms Go Back to School Luncheon was held on September 8 at the Dove Center in Springfield. This luncheon supports the educational programs throughout the EAS service area. Thank you to the many sponsors, attendees, and our speaker, Linda Shanklin for making the luncheon a huge success.

Litchfield: The Litchfield EAS program continues to give back to the community by heading Project Santa again this year. Clients, staff, and volunteers make Christmas merry for low-income families in the Litchfield area. A huge undertaking for EAS, this truly shows our clients how to become contributing members of their community.

At recent monthly meetings, moms learned how to prepare a low-cost healthy meal and how to manage resources, and among the many facets of EAS, the Self Esteem group meets regularly at the Litchfield center.

Thank You, Thank you!

EAS serves the women in our program because of these supporters:

New Hope Baptist Church Ladies of grace, Halfway House Quilters, and Stitches for a Cause: donations of baby box items

Trinity Lutheran Church: donation of personal hygiene and baby box items

Litchfield Rotary and Hearts United: monetary donations for Project Santa

Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus Ladies' Auxiliary: monetary donation and baby box items

Epsilon Psi Sorority Group from Litchfield: monetary donation

EAS receives partial funding for specific programs from these donors: Memorial Medical Center Foundation; the 2016 Carter Drive Golf Outing; Campaign for Justice and Hope, Diocese of Springfield in Illinois; Cardinals Cares; TJX Foundation.

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