



Road To Hope News



The Road To Hope House, Inc.

Upcoming Events:

Wednesdays:

8:00 p.m. Men's Big Book Meeting

Thursdays:

8:00 p.m. Open Lead Meeting

'Sharing The Journey'

Fridays:

8:00 p.m. Open Lead Meeting -

Elyria Friday Night

Dec. 31st - New Years Eve Dinner & Dance

(see flyer inside for more details)

2016 Events– Mark Your Calendars

January: Night at the Races *(tbd)*

February: 7th- Super Bowl Chili Cook-off

13th- Valentines Dinner

March: Pledge Drive Month

April: Open

May: 7th- Spring Fling

June: 18th- 5k/1mile walk

July: Crushers Game & Rocking For the RTH

August: 20th- Road to Hope Golf Outing

September: Open

October: 29th- Halloween Bash

November: 13th- Gratitude Breakfast

December: 31st- New Year's Eve Dinner & Dance

December, 2015

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Board of Directors:

- President - Andrew Kaizer
- Vice President - Bud Yost
- Treasurer - Gene T. Cummings
- Secretary - Ken Dunbrook
- Trustee - Larry Karkoff
- Trustee - Brandon Oliver
- Trustee - Dr. David Knox
- Trustee— Rachel Minney

Executive Director:

- Jeffrey Kamms

Women's Director:

- Carol LaVallee

Resident Coordinator:

- Anthony Thigpen

Office Manager:

- Kristina Kamms



The Road To Hope Inc.

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www.road-to-hope.org

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"Looking Back"

Highlights of 2015



Super Bowl Chili Cook Off
February



Valentines Dinner & Dance
February



Our First 5K Run/1 Mile Walk
June



Our First Women's House
(opened in August)



Women's Open House
September



Gratitude Breakfast: "Making Pancakes"
November

"Looking Back"

Highlights of 2015



RTH Day @ The Crushers
August



Making steaks @ RTH Golf Outing
August



Thanksgiving!
November



Halloween Bash
October

New Years Eve Dinner & Dance

Thurs. December 31st

158 Irondale, Elyria

8:00pm—New Year

\$15/p.p. or \$25/couple

(children are the same price as adults)

Tickets incl. dinner & drinks

50/50 Drawing

Food, Fun, Fellowship

for tickets:

Tony Thigpen @ 440-387-8387

or the office @ 440-309-4284

There will be no tickets sold at the door

All proceeds benefit The Road to Hope

As this year is coming to a close, now would be a good time to make a donation for end of the year tax deductions.

The Road to Hope is dependent upon the contributions of generous individuals and companies such as yours for our increasingly costly daily operation.

Our needs are many, as can be found below as well as on our website: www.road-to-hope.org.

We encourage you to visit this website and to see our brochure, where additional information on our organization and ways in which to contribute may be found.

Please be advised that The Road to Hope is a federally qualified and registered 501 (c) (3) non-profit, charitable organization.

Items Needed

- * **Twin sheets (new)**
- * **Twin comforters (new)**
- * **Pillows (new)**
- * **Bath towels, hand towels, wash cloths**
- * **Pillow cases (new)**
- * **Personal care products: i.e. shampoo, conditioner, toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant disposable razors (men & women)**
- * **Women's feminine products**
- * **Laundry detergent & dryer sheets**
- * **Cleaning supplies: i.e. hardwood floor cleaner, kitchen & bathroom cleaner, Clorox wipes, bleach, disinfectant spray, dish soap**
- * **Light bulbs**
- * **Paper products: i.e. paper towels, facial tissues septic safe toilet paper, garbage bags (13+33 gal.)**
- * **Vacuum cleaners**



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By registering for Amazon Smile (*see link below*) you can support The Road to Hope...

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Simply pick The Road to Hope House, Inc. as your organization of choice, and shop as usual.

We thank you!
The Road to Hope House, Inc.

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Help us Welcome our New Employees!!



Women's Program Director Carol LaVallee:

Carol LaVallee is the Women's Program Director at The Road to Hope, a recovery housing program for women with substance abuse issues. She has twenty-seven years of experience in recovery and has worked in the substance abuse field for twenty-one years.

Ms. LaVallee facilitated and assisted in evaluating program services for the Alcohol and Drug Boards of Mahoning and Cuyahoga Counties, and the Cuyahoga County Alcohol, Drug and Mental Health Board. Over the years, Carol has facilitated and developed infrastructure for the Mahoning County Juvenile, Misdemeanor, and Felony Drug Courts. She was also a provider for a DUI Diversion Program and Criminal Justice Basic Education Program. In the past, Carol has been committed to serving the indigent through her volunteer work as President of the Mahoning County Homeless Coalition and providing service work at the Lorain County Jail.

Carol is dedicated to creating and maintaining an atmosphere that is conducive to recovery, individual healing and successful integration of the family and community.

She enjoys helping women embrace the principles of recovery and watching them rebuild their lives.



Resident Coordinator Tony Thigpen



Tony Thigpen became a resident in June 2014 and his responsibilities soon grew as he became a house manager for us. Tony has since been a very instrumental part of the Road to Hope by offering guidance and direction to our residents and helping them on their path to recovery. It was not by mistake that God sent Tony to the Road to Hope and he has truly proven

to be a great asset to our organization. As a result of his proven leadership, Mr. Thigpen has recently been named to the newly created position of Resident Coordinator, which responsibilities include the oversight of house managers, the handling of intakes of our new residents and assistant to both the Women's Program Director as well as the Executive Director. Tony is a great addition to the Road to Hope and is proving to be a tremendous resource in our mission by helping to save lives, holding others responsible for their personal growth and expanding our outreach, now and far into the future.

The Road to Hope
would like to wish you a
very Merry Christmas
& a Happy New Year !!



The Road to Hope would like to take a moment to say "Thank You!" for sharing in our journey. This year has been a spectacular year for the RTH and the many lives that are involved. With your help we have touched and saved many lives this year and hopefully will continue to into the future.

As the Proverb says:

"It takes an entire village to raise a child"... We thank you for being part of our "Village".

God Bless You - Happy Holidays!