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# ANNUAL APPEAL 2017 MARGUERITE'S PLACE, INC.

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## YOUR DONATIONS MATTER

*The Annual Appeal is an opportunity for you to give homeless women with children a second chance at a successful, independent life.*



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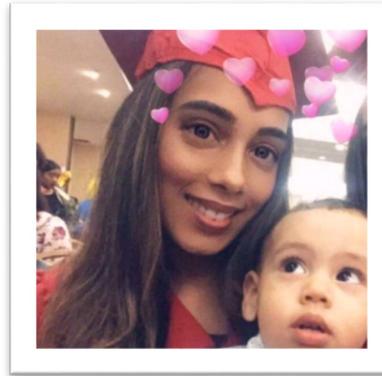
## Looking Back

With the season of giving approaching, we are reflecting on the past year at Marguerite's Place, Inc. We take pride in the fact that it was filled with generosity and kindness. The work we do on a daily basis is made possible by our dedicated supporters and volunteers that give so willingly of their time, energy, funds, and love.

Support of our residents and programs comes in many forms, including monetary donations, in-kind donations, professional and individual volunteer hours. All of these pieces come together and help us to provide our unique services and help change the lives of women and children.

This year alone, our volunteers have given over 1,400 hours of their time helping in our childcare center, administrative office and at special events. Our supporters have provided us with many services this year including cleaning, grocery shopping, landscaping, painting, preparing lunches, and more.

As much as we try, it is impossible to thank all the wonderful people who give so selflessly.



*Pictured above is Desiree with her son Emani at her recent graduation.*

## Meet Desiree

Desiree came to Marguerite's Place in March of 2017 after a painful breakup that left her alone for the first time. She felt lost with no one to turn to and nowhere to go. She was referred to Marguerite's Place and was quickly accepted into the program. As she started working with the case managers, she began her journey and things started looking up.

With funding from a scholarship, Desiree was able to continue her schooling in the medical field. She juggled attending school and caring for her infant son, all the while remaining focused, positive, and upbeat. She has often been overheard at the end of a long day playing with her son and simply telling him how much she loves him.

Three short weeks ago Desiree graduated and received her certificate as a Medical Assistant. Her plan is to continue in the medical field and we could not be more proud of her. Your support helps Desiree and so many young women just like her achieve their goals.

"They say strength grows in moments when you think you can't go on, but you keep going anyway. I'm forever grateful and thankful." Desiree shares.

## OUR MISSION

Marguerite's Place, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) organization that provides the physical, emotional, educational, and social support services homeless women with children need to achieve and sustain permanent self-sufficiency.

## PLEASE DONATE!

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*Visit our website and share in the journeys of our families. Watch our new video to learn more.*



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Volunteer Day*

*Bob Lavoie, Kevin Berube,  
Chris Berube, and Shane  
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tiles on our playground*



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Won't you please help us by supporting our Annual Appeal?*

*Thank you for generosity.*

## **YOUR GENEROSITY MAKES THE IMPOSSIBLE POSSIBLE!**

So much is possible with your generosity! Over the course of this year, Marguerite's Place, Inc. has provided support to over 30 individuals and childcare to more than 30 little ones. Women come to us in their toughest hour and we help them take the first steps toward rebuilding their lives.

Before coming to Marguerite's Place, Inc. some of our moms lived in their cars, their children slept on the couches of relatives or friends, some came from area shelters, rehabilitation centers, and others from motels.

With your support throughout the year we have been able to provide one-to-one case management to these moms to help them on their journey to self-sufficiency.

We are also able to provide diapers for all children who attend our childcare center. We use 100 diapers a day, 500 per week, so this is no small feat. This lifts a small burden from our moms' responsibilities and allows them to focus on their families' other necessities.

### **The Annual Appeal provides funding for four critical areas:**

**Case Management:** Our case managers work one-on-one with our women to help them create their life plans, accessing services or education, and finding or bettering their employment opportunities while teaching life skills.

**Housing:** Families live independently in our one, two, or three bedroom apartments.

**Security:** 24-hour staff and video surveillance helps keep families safe in the downtown neighborhood.

**Childcare:** On-site, high quality childcare helps keep children safe and learning with a social-emotional based curriculum.

### **Why Give?**

This Annual Appeal is a critical funding source for everything we do to restore homeless women with children to self-sufficiency. Your gift will have a profound impact on Marguerite's Place, Inc., and will help us succeed in our mission.

Whether you are a faithful donor to our Annual Appeal (thank you!) or if this is your first contribution, we ask for your compassionate consideration in supporting the 2017 Annual Appeal.

**Thank you!**

*Wishing you a blessed holiday season. ~ Barbara A. Alves, CEO/President*