



THANK YOU!!

We are grateful for the year end support we received from the Howard Miller Company. The company provided financial gifts and much-needed items donated by Howard Miller employees for the Health Clinic and Doors of Hope.



City on a Hill was a recipient of a grant from Great Lakes Energy this past fall. The grant helped us replace the original phone system and upgrade the 10-year-old internet throughout our building. This grant was made possible due to Great Lakes Energy customers choosing to round their bills up each month through the People Fund. If you are a customer of Great Lakes Energy, we encourage you to participate in this program benefitting Michigan nonprofits. Thank you, Great Lakes Energy!



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**Honoring God** by empowering ministries, nonprofits, and individuals to flourish

CAFE VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Our Café is looking for energetic and dedicated volunteers who would like to work in our hospitable customer service environment. Main duties include taking food orders, cashing out customers, and keeping the dining room clean. Available weekly shifts are Tuesday or Wednesday. If interested, please contact Megan Behler at [cafe.megan@coahm.org](mailto:cafe.megan@coahm.org) or 616-748-6005



Find us on:

- City on a Hill
  - coah.ministries
  - City on a Hill Zeeland
- [www.coahm.org](http://www.coahm.org)



PLANNED GIVING

If City on a Hill is included in your Planned Giving, we would love to know! Please contact Shawn at [shawn@coahm.org](mailto:shawn@coahm.org) if you have already designated COAH in your planned giving, or if you would like to learn more about planned giving, please reach out to your financial advisor.

MEMORIAL GIFTS

Thank you to friends and family of Mary Kalkman who donated gifts to City on a Hill in her memory. We are grateful for Mary's service to City on a Hill and for how her community chose to support us in memory of her.



WAYS TO GIVE

- Electronically on our website
  - [coahm.org/donate](http://coahm.org/donate)
- Send checks to:
  - City on a Hill
  - 100 Pine St. Suite 175
  - Zeeland, MI 49464
- Scan QR to donate online



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LEARN MORE

You are invited to join a tour of City on a Hill! A tour is a great way to learn more about what happens in our building day to day. To register, go to [coahm.org/tours](http://coahm.org/tours) or email [shawn@coahm.org](mailto:shawn@coahm.org)



NEWSLETTER

For Friends of City on a Hill

Winter 2024



# CITY ON A HILL NEWSLETTER

Dear Friends of City on a Hill,

While the inauguration of 2024 is in rear view mirror, I continue to be grateful for you, our friends of City on a Hill, for your generous and faithful support at year end. Our facility and energy expenses continue to increase, but we are committed to keeping rent affordable for our resident nonprofits so resources can be focused on each of their respective missions. Your gifts at year end and throughout the year allow us to do so. In this regard, a gift to City on a Hill helps to advance the work of all 41 nonprofits located in our facilities.



This month we are celebrating recent recognitions received by our Health Clinic Director, Christine Plummer. Each of her three well-deserved awards are highlighted in the Clinic section of this newsletter. Christine has worked tirelessly to serve vulnerable members of our community for 11 years as Director of the City on a Hill Clinic. Under her leadership, the Health Clinic has expanded hours and services offered, including mental health. She is well-loved by her team and daily brings passion and dedication to her work.

I'd also like to take this opportunity to thank our three outgoing board members for their 9 years of faithful service to the City on a Hill Board. Mike Arendsen, Dave Ash, and Kyle Curtiss have given countless hours to the organization and their presence on the board will be missed. All three plan to say involved with City on a Hill at some level and for that, we are grateful!

To fill their seats, we welcome Max Nykerk and Dr. Emilie DeYoung to the City on a Hill Board. Max and his family live in Zeeland and he works at Lakewood Construction as Architectural Practice Leader. Max will serve on the Facilities & Operations Team in addition to the overall COAH Board. Dr. Emilie and her husband, John, live in Zeeland as well. She is the clinical director at Winning At Home and has previously served on the Board of Zeeland Christian Schools. Welcome to the City on a Hill Board, Max & Emilie!

One other item of interest... our Café is now offering limited hours on Fridays (7 a .m. - 11:00 a.m.). We are pleased to offer these expanded hours and look forward to seeing on you Friday mornings!

With gratitude,  
Dr. Shawn Newhouse  
Executive Director



Mike Arendsen



Kyle Curtiss



Dr. Emilie DeYoung



Dave Ash



Max Nykerk

And Welcome to City on a Hill's Board, Max and Emilie!



The December City on a Hill Christmas Dinner was a special evening to celebrate how the Lord is working at City on a Hill. We shared client stories and talked about how City on a Hill is moving Forward in Faith as we look to the future. Thank you to our 42 Christmas Dinner Sponsors and to those who gave at the event! Your generosity allows City on a Hill to continue to offer affordable rent to resident ministries and to serve people in need in our community. To read more about what we are accomplishing at City on a Hill, check out our website at [coahm.org](http://coahm.org).

PROLINE CONCRETE CONSTRUCTION



And many more! To see the full list of our Christmas sponsors - please visit our website.

## CITY ON A HILL NEWS CONGRATULATIONS, CHRISTINE!

We are delighted to share that Christine Plummer, our health clinic director, was recognized by the City of Holland as a recipient of the Social Justice Award in the Health Services category. This award goes to a community member who exemplifies the virtues of social justice by promoting equal access and equal opportunity for all residents.

She was also recognized by Fox17 as the recipient of their monthly "Pay it Forward" award - an award that is given to someone in the community who gives their all without expecting anything in return. A true testament to the character of our own Christine!

And one more award... Christine received the "Retaining Top Leaders" grant from the Community Foundation of Holland/Zeeland. This grant is for renewal and enrichment that extends the quality and length of time leaders will stay with their current organizations.

Please join us in congratulating Christine for this well-deserved recognition!



CHRISTINE PLUMMER

Photo from Fox17

## STAFF SPOTLIGHT - JOY ANDERSON



Joy Anderson - Community Teams Coach

My name is Joy Anderson and I'm the Community Teams Coach at Doors of Hope! Community Teams exist to surround our clients with place-based, compassion informed community into resilience and discipleship with Jesus. We want these teams to create spaces of belonging for our clients.

We build teams of 2-4 individuals from local churches who live close to our clients. These volunteers, who we call friends, work together to make contact with our clients on a weekly basis. They either meet a practical need like shoveling a driveway or delivering groceries, or a relational need like getting coffee or a meal with them.

If you're interested in signing up to be a friend on a community team, please fill out this application: <https://www.coahm.org/community-teams>  
If we identify a client in your neighborhood in need of a team, we'll give you a call!

Shown below is a Doors of Hope Client with some of her Community Team Friends

