

OPENING DOORS

7hills
homeless center



Our Mission:

To develop and implement collaborative, local solutions that foster hope, opportunity and stability for people experiencing homelessness.

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Dear Friend,

Fall's here and that means it's time for change. Kids are heading back to school, and the first blush of cold weather is making an appearance.

With the change in season comes an urgent need for resources. Farmers markets have dried up, and 7hills can no longer rely on supplemental donations from farms or gardens. We're also changing out our entire clothing inventory from summer items to long-sleeved shirts and pants.

Parents are working hard to find showers and food so their kids can be successful in class.

As we gear up to support our neighbors during colder weather and the back-to-school season, our center is open five days a week to provide food, services and care for families and individuals facing homelessness.

Your generosity makes this possible. Thanks to your commitment to our community, people without permanent shelter have a place to call home.

Please enjoy our latest issue of Opening Doors and know you made success stories like Alvin and Lena's possible.

Thank you for giving to make a difference for neighbors here in Northwest Arkansas.



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Gratefully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mike Williams". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Mike Williams
CEO



Lena's Grateful for Your Support

In 2005, Lena was spending nights at the Salvation Army and would come to 7hills during the day for assistance. Here, Lena had access to physical health care, legal issues, haircuts, referral programs and more.

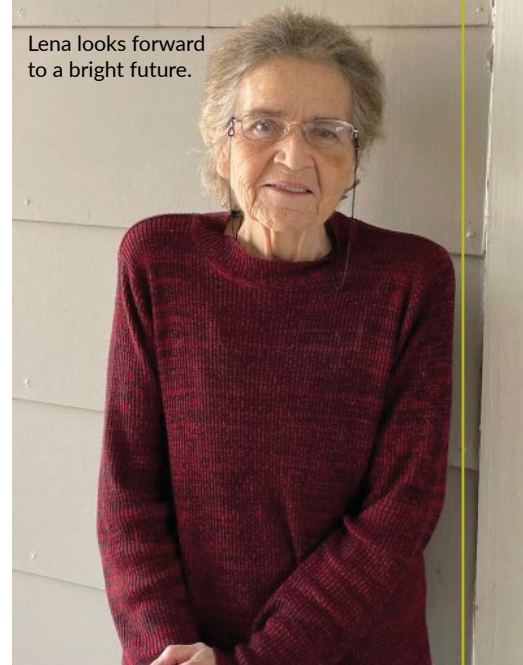
Thanks to hardworking case managers and 7hills' commitment to fighting homelessness in our community, it wasn't long before Lena no longer had to worry about housing. She moved to a dorm where she could feel safe and begin to focus on rebuilding her life to one of self-efficiency and independence.

Through support from friends like you, we were able to help Lena with access to food while helping her overcome financial burdens.

Lena's living independently today, enjoying life with her child and a puppy. She's hoping for a home of her own someday so her child and dog have room to grow and play. She's incredibly grateful for the help she got from 7hills and finds comfort in knowing our center will always be there should she ever need it again.

"Thank you," Lena says to donors like you. "Everything's working out well."

Lena looks forward to a bright future.



Will Roth Urges Advocacy for Neighbors Facing Homelessness



"Those of us who are more fortunate than others need to build a bigger table, not a higher fence," says 7hills' Vice President of the Board, Will Roth. "7hills works tirelessly to build a bigger table for the people in our region who need it most."

Will's been on the board since 2017. During his time with us, he has a goal to see 7hills move into a new building that can better serve clients and staff.

"The impact we could be making . . . is restricted due to the lack of room," he says. "But that will require more members of the community to realize that homelessness is a real problem."

Each day, housing becomes more and more unaffordable for hardworking people. "If we don't act now," Will warns, "homelessness will rapidly increase."

Thankfully, your generosity is creating a space where compassionate care and helpful services are available for all.

Take your commitment to our neighbors one step further by spreading the word — the homelessness crisis is urgent. More community support means 7hills can grow to help more neighbors who lack permanent housing. Thank you!



Alvin wants to make a difference for his neighbors without a permanent home.

Alvin's Got Big Plans Thanks to You!

Before discovering 7hills, Alvin was facing many insurmountable challenges. He didn't have housing, the IRS had seized all his funds and he was battling cancer.

Alvin heard about the day center at 7hills from several of his peers who were also experiencing homelessness. Upon arriving, Alvin was immediately assigned case managers who, in his words, "care so much and have huge hearts."

"7hills changed my life," Alvin shares. His case managers, Ambra, Tonya, Angela and Shelby, were "God-sent from heaven."

With help from his solid support system, Alvin secured housing and gained access to critical resources that are now providing hope, opportunity and stability in his everyday life.

Currently, he's creating a podcast to develop a mentorship program for people who are going through similar hardship. He even has a dream of setting up a fundraiser that will provide neighbors facing homelessness with the transportation and clothing needed to attend job training.

Alvin is still battling cancer, but is extremely hopeful for the future. He's grateful to neighbors like you for opening doors that are allowing him to build success for himself.

Thank you for making a difference for neighbors like Alvin.



Join Our Camp Out!

Make sure to grab your tickets for the 7hills Camp Out event on October 28-29! Tickets can be purchased on our website by scanning the QR code.



To Our Donors and Volunteers...

We want to say a big thank you! Without the support of friends like you, we would not be able to provide the services and care to our neighbors facing homelessness that we do. If you are interested in becoming a donor or volunteer, please visit our website at www.7hillscenter.org or by scanning the code below.



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