



Project H.O.M.E.'s

Dwelling Place

NOVEMBER 2005

NONE OF US ARE HOME UNTIL ALL OF US ARE HOME

PROJECT H.O.M.E.

(Housing, Opportunities for Employment, Medical Care, Education)

empowers people to break the cycle of homelessness, address the structural causes of poverty, and attain their fullest potential as members of society. Our work is rooted in our conviction of the dignity of each person and our belief that all are entitled to decent, affordable housing and quality education, employment, and health care. We achieve this through street outreach; supportive housing; comprehensive services; community development; employment training and opportunities; adult and youth education; health care; environmental enhancement; and political advocacy.

RESIDENCES

1515 and 1523 Fairmount Avenue
Diamond Street Residences, 2826-29 Diamond St.
In Community, 1229 Chestnut St.
Kairos House, 1440 N. Broad St.
Kate's Place, 1929 Sansom St.
Rowan I, 2729-A W. Diamond St.
Rowan II, 1901 N. Judson St.
St. Columba, 4133 Chestnut St.
St. Elizabeth's Recovery, 1850 N. Crosey St.
Women of Change, 21st & Arch Sts.

SUPPORT SERVICES & PROGRAMS

Adult Education, Employment & Arts
Community Development Corporation
Education and Advocacy
Honickman Learning Center and
Comcast Technology Labs
Outreach Coordination Center
Volunteer Program

BUSINESSES

Our Daily Threads Thrift Shop, 215-232-6322
Back Home Café and Catering, 215-232-6311

ADMINISTRATION
215-232-7272

HOMELESS OUTREACH HOTLINE
215-232-1984

HUMAN RESOURCES HOTLINE
215-232-7219 x5200

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THE SILENT KATRINAS OF EVERY DAY

THE HORRORS OF Hurricane Katrina have touched a deep chord in Philadelphia. The city government responded by announcing "Project Brotherly Love," which promised housing and services for up to 1,000 families (or 5,000 individuals) left homeless by the hurricane. Meanwhile, thousands of ordinary Philadelphians have contributed to relief funds and sent supplies to victims.

Such gestures of compassion represent the best of our city's citizens. They make us proud to be Philadelphians. But the local outpouring of support also raises some important issues for us to wrestle with. Many ordinary citizens, advocates for the poor, and service providers have raised concerns as our government provides immediate resources for the evacuees but has been unwilling to do the same for so many of our own citizens who struggle daily with homelessness and basic survival.

We at Project H.O.M.E. are proud to be among the organizations that are assisting the evacuee families coming here. (See more details on page 3.) At the same time, we need to seize this opportunity to challenge

our city, ourselves, and especially the federal government about how we respond to the ongoing daily local Katrinas of poverty and homelessness.

This is a critical opportunity to reassess our priorities and our use of resources to meet human needs.

We can't afford a fruitless debate over whether housing and other resources should go to "them" or "us." We must avoid an either/or scenario that pits the needs of one group of struggling people against another, or forces us to weigh the merits of

some homeless people over others. Instead, we need to focus on how the generous actions elicited by the immediate emergency can translate into a broader compassion and more just public policies.

ONE OF THE IMPORTANT outcomes of this tragedy may be that it has forced the issue of poverty back onto the national consciousness. The vast majority of those devastated by the disaster were minorities and people who are old, sick and poor.

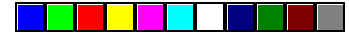
- We are witnessing the raw reality of thousands of our citizens who live on the edge of survival.

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i i i You CAN Make A Difference! i i i

In the coming weeks, you will receive Project H.O.M.E.'s Annual Appeal. Please consider how you would like to make a difference in our work. Without your generosity and support, our day-to-day work would be impossible. Every dollar is important to us. Thank you for supporting the mission of Project H.O.M.E. and for being part of the solution to homelessness and poverty.



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- We are seeing the gross inadequacy of our social safety nets.

- We are forced to realize that those on the bottom are twice victimized by discrimination and exclusion.

On the very day that New Orleans flooded, the Census Bureau released its report showing that for the fourth straight year, the poverty rate in the United States rose. A shocking 37 million Americans – almost 13 percent of the population – live at or below the official government poverty level. The drama of Katrina has put a human face on what otherwise would be dry bureaucratic statistics.

Locally, the same Census Bureau report showed that Philadelphia ranks among the nation's poorest counties. Twenty-five percent of city residents live below the federal poverty line – as do 35 percent of our children. After several years of decline, we are seeing a rise in the number of homeless people on the streets of Center City. Our shelters are filled, and the city faces an enormous affordable-housing crisis.

In the aftermath of the hurricane, we are seeing that all of us, in both the public and private sectors, can respond abundantly to alleviate suffering and meet basic human needs. We need to translate the sense of urgency and passion evoked by Katrina into a sustained investment in

the basic infrastructure of our city including housing, education, medical care, and employment. The best-case scenario is that this tragedy will move our city and our nation toward greater political will for justice and humanity.

PHILADELPHIA'S NEW *Ten-Year Plan to End Homelessness*

is a bold document, outlining directions for overcoming one of the most persistent urban crises of the last 20 years. A few weeks ago, Mayor John Street formally endorsed the plan, promising both \$10 million in immediate new funding as well as ongoing political will to fully implement

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the plan. (See more details about the *Ten-Year Plan* on page 4.) This is a critical first step, but we cannot allow this plan to dissolve into another bureaucratic report. Achieving this goal will require the same level of urgency as was extended toward Katrina victims. It will require vital and committed partnerships with the federal and state governments as well as the private sector. Imagine if the community rallied around the goal of ending homelessness locally with the same intensity and resources we are now putting toward Katrina victims. As we participate in rebuilding New Orleans, imagine what we could accomplish with a commitment to rebuild our inner city, devastated by 30 years of economic disinvestment.

Katrina has jolted our conscience, and we are responding with a flood of generosity and compassion. But let's also make sure that every Philadelphian has a safe and decent place to call home.



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A SECOND BILL OF RIGHTS

"THIS REPUBLIC HAD ITS beginning, and grew to its present strength, under the protection of certain inalienable political rights – among them the right of free speech, free press, free worship, trial by jury, freedom from unreasonable searches and seizures. They were our rights to life and liberty.

"We have come to a clear realization of the fact, however, that true individual freedom cannot exist without economic security and independence. 'Necessitous men are not free men.' People who are hungry, people who are out of a job are the stuff of which dictatorships are made.

"In our day these economic truths have become accepted as self-evident. We have accepted, so to speak, a second Bill of Rights under which a new basis of security and prosperity can be established for all – regardless of station, race, or creed.

"Among these are: The right to a useful and remunerative job in the industries or shops or farms or mines of the nation; The right to earn enough to pro-

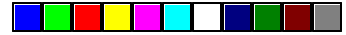


vide adequate food and clothing and recreation; The right of farmers to raise and sell their products at a return which will give them and their families a decent living; The right of every business man, large and small, to trade in an atmosphere of freedom from unfair com-

petition and domination by monopolies at home or abroad; The right of every family to a decent home; The right to adequate medical care and the opportunity to achieve and enjoy good health; The right to adequate protection from the economic fears of old age and sickness and accident and unemployment; And finally, the right to a good education.

"All of these rights spell security. And after this war is won we must be prepared to move forward, in the implementation of these rights, to new goals of human happiness and well-being. America's own rightful place in the world depends in large part upon how fully these and similar rights have been carried into practice for all our citizens. For unless there is security here at home there cannot be lasting peace in the world."

– Franklin Delano Roosevelt
State of the Union Message,
January 11, 1944



PROJECT BROTHERLY LOVE

Following Hurricane Katrina, Project H.O.M.E. received a call from the City of Philadelphia asking us to staff an emergency shelter for evacuees fleeing the Gulf Coast. Within 48 hours, we were up and running with 23 staff on-site. Since September 13, Project Brotherly Love has provided temporary housing at the Wanamaker School in North Philadelphia to more than 120 evacuees from New Orleans until more permanent housing can be found. Wanamaker has also served as a service hub for more than 1,400 evacuees who came to our region. Herb, an evacuee from New Orleans, called the Wanamaker school “a godsend” and said he is grateful for the “numerous necessities and services I was able to access” through Project Brotherly Love. Thanks to all the staff who have worked long hours and done a tremendous job providing hospitality.

CELEBRATING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

On September 28, Sister Mary Scullion joined 24 community development leaders in Washington, D.C., to receive the Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC) “Mike Sviridoff Leadership Award.” Noted for her leadership in urban redevelopment, Sister Mary was recognized as a “moral force for inclusive, diverse communities.”

Project H.O.M.E.’s Housing and Community Development staff joined Sister Mary and almost 800 community development professionals in celebrating the achievements of their peers. Celebrants also honored the recent rescue of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program. Earlier this year, bi-partisan legislators and grassroots groups successfully lobbied the Bush administration to continue CDBG funding, which is essential to supporting the work of community development corporations.

We would like to thank Michael Rubinger, LISC President and C.E.O., and Project H.O.M.E. Board Member for his commitment to and support for Project H.O.M.E.’s neighborhood revitalization initiatives.

News from H.O.M.E.



A colorful mosaic celebrating Philadelphia’s jazz heritage adorns the North Philadelphia Head Start building – located next door to the St. Elizabeth’s Community Center. Project H.O.M.E.’s neighbors and youth helped create the mural.

AND THE WORK CONTINUES,...

Project H.O.M.E.’s Economic Development program received a \$35,000 grant from the United Way of Southeastern Pennsylvania Neighborhood Revitalization Collaborative to support our commercial corridor initiatives. The funds will be used for crime prevention and physical improvement projects. One central project is a community kiosk located at the heart of the Ridge Avenue business district which will explain the historical importance of Ridge Avenue, feature individual businesses, and help shape the commercial corridor’s identity.

BEAUTIFYING NORTH PHILLY

On September 24, community residents and business owners gathered to celebrate the dedication of the “Ridge On The Rise” mosaic at 21st Street and Ridge Avenue. The once-barren “triangle” has been transformed into a hip gateway to this vital commercial corridor that has a rich history in North Philadelphia. The colorful mosaic structure was completed by the Village of Arts and Humanities along with local children and volunteers. This project is one of five physical improvement projects that Project H.O.M.E will complete in the next several months.

A second mosaic, created partly by local children from Project H.O.M.E.’s Honickman Learning Center and Comcast Technology Labs, was also completed. The North Philadelphia Head Start building adjacent to the St. Elizabeth’s Community Center now colorfully celebrates the history of jazz, especially those artists who called North Philadelphia home. Network Arts, Project H.O.M.E., and North Philly Head Start collaborated on the project.

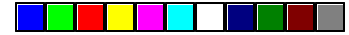
RECOVERY AND RENOVATION

Project H.O.M.E.’s St. Elizabeth’s Recovery Residence will soon get a makeover. First opened in 1993, St. Elizabeth’s provides a rigorous residential program for homeless men recovering from addictions. Thanks to a grant from the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, St. E’s will be renovated to provide services for twelve veterans, in addition to twelve beds for non-veterans. Renovations will include an elevator, central air-conditioning, a remodeled kitchen, better lighting, handicap modifications, new carpet and paint, and enhanced community rooms. The residence will become more comfortable and functional, thereby creating a positive environment for residents.



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ENCLOSED WITH THIS *Dwelling Place*, you will find a hot-off-the-press copy of *North Philly Metropolis*, a community newspaper produced by students in Project H.O.M.E.’s Teen After School Program, located at the Honickman Learning Center and Comcast Technology Labs. The newspaper was created to provide literacy, journalism, technology, and entrepreneurial skills training, as well as to give our students a forum to share ideas and information. This edition features the students’ reflections on homelessness, along with other subjects of interest.



“A MORAL AND LEGAL OBLIGATION” STREET ADMINISTRATION PLEDGES TO END HOMELESSNESS IN PHILADELPHIA

DESCRIBING ENDING HOMELESSNESS as Philadelphia’s “moral and legal obligation,” Mayor John F. Street publicly endorsed the City’s *Ten-Year Plan to End Homelessness*. Speaking at a press conference at City Hall on October 13, the Mayor announced resources to begin work on the plan and pledged to name a leadership team – who will drive the planning and implementation process – in the next 30 days.

The \$10 million in resources dedicated to the Plan in the next two years include:

- \$5 million in reinvested funds from the City’s Community Behavioral Health program to provide emergency housing and services for families or individuals suffering from mental-health or drug-addiction problems.
- \$2 million from the Neighborhood Transformation Initiative (\$1.5 million) and the newly-created Housing Trust Fund (\$0.5 million) to

fund homelessness prevention efforts.

- \$2 million in locally-administered federal housing funds to provide permanent housing.
- \$1 million from grants and donations to fund planning and implementation.

These funds will provide 600 units of permanent subsidized housing – 25 per month provided through the Philadelphia Housing Authority – as well as 100 new spaces in safe havens or other entry-level facilities.

In addition, Managing Director Pedro Ramos indicated that the City will review the feasibility of sustaining the one-stop rapid-response service delivery system created for Philadelphia’s Hurricane Katrina evacuees for the long term to address homelessness here.

This is a tremendous moment for Philadelphia. City government officials have pledged that “the political will is



Mayor John Street announces the City’s endorsement of the Ten-Year Plan to End Homelessness on October 13 at City Hall.

there” to end homelessness. But truly accomplishing that goal will take all of us. Government, the business and corporate sectors, nonprofits and service providers, the religious community, and ordinary citizens must work together, with a common vision and passion. We will keep you posted in the *Dwelling Place* on our progress toward making our City more just, humane, and caring toward all its citizens.



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one day

we need the plumbers and trashmen,
and waitresses, janitors, and bricklayers,
the bus drivers and truck drivers,
the train, taxi, and pizza drivers,
the crayon makers and bread makers
and buttonmakers and carmakers,
the barbers, cooks, stockers and
cash register folk
to rise up.
and when the plumbers and trashmen,
and waitresses, janitors, and bricklayers,
and all the drivers and makers and
barbers, cooks, stockers and
cash register folk
rise up
we will know our time has come.

– laurel schreffler is a member of the
Project H.O.M.E. community

DID YOU KNOW?

- After declining for 50 years, the United States’ infant mortality rate – the number of children who die before their fifth birthday – has risen every year since 2000.
- The world’s 500 richest people have as much income as the world’s poorest 416 million.
- In 1965, CEOs in major companies made 24 times more than the average worker. In 2003, CEOs earned 185 times more than the average worker.
- Since 1998, the Philadelphia Housing Authority has leveled some 8,000 units and built 6,100 replacement units.
- To acquire a tax-delinquent vacant lot, a buyer must go through 54 steps at 12 agencies.
- In 2004, the U.S. military budget was over \$399 billion, or \$12,000 a second.

Sources: 2005 United Nations Human Development Report; State of Working America 2004-2005; Economic Policy Institute; Philadelphia Daily News; Philadelphia Horticultural Society; www.globalissues.org.

THE TEN-YEAR PLAN

From the introductory letter from S. Mary Scullion, Executive Director, Project H.O.M.E., and Pedro A. Ramos, Esq., Managing Director, City of Philadelphia. Scullion and Ramos co-chair the Mayor's Task Force on Homeless Services, which developed the Plan.

PHILADELPHIA IS A CITY of firsts – the first library, the first zoo, the first hospital. Now, with your commitment and leadership, we hope to be the first city to end homelessness...

Even as we have made tremendous strides in helping thousands of Philadelphians to overcome homelessness, too many men, women, and children continue to become homeless each year. To truly end homelessness, we have to take a two-pronged approach to both prevent and also address the problem as it is today. To truly end homelessness, we need safe, decent, affordable housing for households of all sizes; accessible healthcare; jobs at livable wages; and an education system that provides our children with the tools to compete in the knowledge economy.

Though this may at times seem an insurmountable task, even in inhospitable economic and political environments, both the public and private sectors have been able to make real progress... We need to build on this base of tenacity, dedication, and resilience, even in the face of harsh realities...

The road remains long and the work is difficult. We need every sector and community to play a part in this plan to enhance the life of every Philadelphian. The dedication and hard work of so many set an example for us to redouble our efforts to realize our shared goal – to end homelessness in ten years. We look forward to the day when Philadelphia can add this to its long list of “firsts.”

List of Goals to End Homelessness

- Goal 1:** Open the “back door” out of homelessness – ensure that all Philadelphians have a decent, safe, accessible and affordable home.
- Goal 2:** Close the “front door” to homelessness – implement successful prevention strategies.
- Goal 3:** Ensure that no one in Philadelphia needs to live on the street.
- Goal 4:** Fully integrate all health and social services to aid in preventing and addressing homelessness.
- Goal 5:** Generate the political will, civic support, and public and private resources to end homelessness.
- Goal 6:** Build human capital through excellent employment preparation and training programs, and jobs at a livable wage.
- Goal 7:** Make shelters a dignified place for emergency assistance, not a destination.
- Goal 8:** Support families and individuals to promote long-term independence and prevent their return to homelessness.

To read the complete Ten-Year Plan to End Homelessness, go to www.phila.gov/oess. For more information, contact Laura Weinbaum, Project H.O.M.E.'s Director of Public Policy, at 215-232-7272, ext. 3037, or lauraweinbaum@projecthome.org.

POVERTY BY THE NUMBERS

ON THE VERY DAY that the flood waters of Hurricane Katrina were sweeping over New Orleans, the Census Bureau released new figures showing that poverty was on the rise in the United States.

The nation's poverty rate rose to 12.7 percent in 2004 – a total of 37 million Americans living in poverty. It was the fourth year in a row that saw a rise in poverty, and it occurred despite a year of economic growth that included the creation of 2.2 million jobs. The federal poverty level is calculated according to size and makeup of a household. For instance, for a family of four with two children, the poverty level is \$19,157 or less.

Locally, the picture is dim. In Philadelphia, which has been losing jobs and residents for fifty years, the poverty rate increased from 22 percent in 2003 to 25 percent last year. About 35 percent of Philadelphia children were living in poverty, up from 28 percent in 2003. Philadelphia ranks as the ninth poorest big city in the United States, and the fifth poorest county.

The greater Philadelphia region saw a widening gap in wealth. While Philadelphia and Camden counties continued with high poverty rates, Chester, Burlington, and Bucks were all among the nation's richest counties. “There's a greater gap every year that's occurring in our society between the haves and the have-nots,” Montgomery County Commission Chairman James Matthews said. “Something has to be addressed there.”



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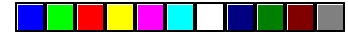
HOMELESS MEMORIAL DAY



Dilworth Plaza – City Hall
Wednesday, December 21, 2005
4:30 p.m.

Join us for a candlelight vigil as we remember those who have lost their lives to homelessness. Unite with people who are currently fighting for their lives as we remember those who have passed away and continue the call to end homelessness.

For more information, contact Jennine Miller, Coordinator of Education and Advocacy, at 215-232-7272, ext. 3042, or jenninemiller@projecthome.org.



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PHENOMENAL FRIENDS



Who: Sister Grace Allen, SSJ
Volunteer since: 1998
Volunteer Position: Adult Literacy Instructor

Sister Grace, like many of our highly valued volunteers, had heard of the work of Project H.O.M.E. and grew interested because it seemed like a place where she would want to do volunteer service. Her original assignment was spending one day each week doing laundry for the Back Home Café. Sister Grace believes that her volunteer work fits well with the spirit of charity and hospitality which her religious community embraces and the mission of Project H.O.M.E.

Sister Grace's commitment to the work of Project H.O.M.E. continues to be very strong. For the last five years, she has served in many roles as the Occupational Services Program has evolved, and now she is the Adult Literacy instructor. Her consistency has been invaluable to the adult learners and staff with whom she has worked, especially for the many homeless and formerly homeless individuals who have experienced much inconsistency.

Sister Grace is a regular presence in the Occupational Services office at 1523 Fairmount on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Sitting and talking with her will reveal a humble, wise, faithful woman who is dedicated to responding to people in need of assistance, and who values highly her relationships with people who are often forgotten. We at Project H.O.M.E. offer our gratitude for your extraordinary commitment!

For more information or to volunteer, call Project H.O.M.E.'s Volunteer Coordinator, Erin O'Brien, at 215-232-7272, ext. 3013 or erinobrien@projecthome.org.

A HARVEST OF GENEROSITY

We extend our deepest appreciation to the following groups and individuals for their generous contributions to Project H.O.M.E. this summer and fall. Their wonderful gifts allow us to continue implementing innovative solutions to the crisis of homelessness and poverty.

- The American Cities Foundation
- The Barra Foundation
- Citizens Bank
- Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- Connelly Foundation
- Drueding Foundation
- First Nonprofit Insurance Co.
- Independence Foundation
- The Lincoln Financial Group Foundation, Inc.
- Pepsi-Cola Company
- Pew Charitable Trusts
- Philadelphia Insurance Companies
- PNC Bank
- Sisters of Mercy of Merion
- Harold Sorgenti
- Sunoco Logistics Partners, L.P.
- Sunoco, Inc. (R&M)
- United Way of Southeastern PA
- The Vanguard Group
- Wachovia Foundation
- The William Penn Foundation

Project H.O.M.E is grateful for the generous support of our many project partners committed to our community economic development in the St. Elizabeth's/Diamond Street neighborhoods in North Philadelphia. We are especially thankful to our project partners: The City of Philadelphia Neighborhood Transformation Initiative; The Cecil B. Moore/Ridge Avenue Business Association; Klehr, Harrison, Harvey, Branzburg & Ellers, LLP; The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society/Philadelphia Green; PNC Bank, N.A.; and the Village of Arts and Humanities.

LEGACIES

THE ENTIRE PROJECT H.O.M.E. community mourns the loss of several long-time friends and champions in the struggle for social justice.

David Cohen was a long-time member of Philadelphia's City Council and an advocate extraordinaire for almost every cause that affected the lives of poor, struggling, and marginalized Philadelphians. Councilman Cohen was passionate in his commitment to human rights and social justice. We benefited from that passion, as Councilman Cohen supported Project H.O.M.E. on a variety of issues, including the fair-housing struggle over 1515 Fairmount Avenue.

Stefan Presser was legal director of the Pennsylvania Chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union and a lifelong crusader for human rights and freedom in Philadelphia. He assisted Project H.O.M.E. in various legal battles, including the fair housing struggle for 1515 Fairmount and measures to protect homeless persons on the streets from police harassment.

Ernesta Ballard made a lifelong contribution to many worthwhile cultural and civic causes. As the "godmother of Philadelphia feminism," she will leave a permanent legacy for all of Philadelphia's citizens.

Thomas W. Langfitt was the former chief executive of The Pew Charitable Trusts who oversaw Pew's conversion from a family-run enterprise to the nation's fifth-largest foundation and championed such causes as childhood development, health care, and the environment.

While we mourn their loss, we celebrate the lives of all these dear friends. They were inspirations to us, and we will carry on their legacy.



Project H.O.M.E.'s Marketplace: H.O.M.E. for the Holidays

Cards and t-shirts can be ordered through Our Daily Threads Thrift Store.
Visit us at 1515 Fairmount Avenue or call 215-232-6322.

Holiday Cards - *The purchase of these cards benefit art programs at Project H.O.M.E.
Please visit 1515 Fairmount to see other original works of art available for purchase.*

All cards are \$10 for a pack of 10 cards.

Inside of all cards reads:
"Wishing you and your loved ones peace, joy, and happiness during the holiday season and in the new year."



Angel
by Ted Harris



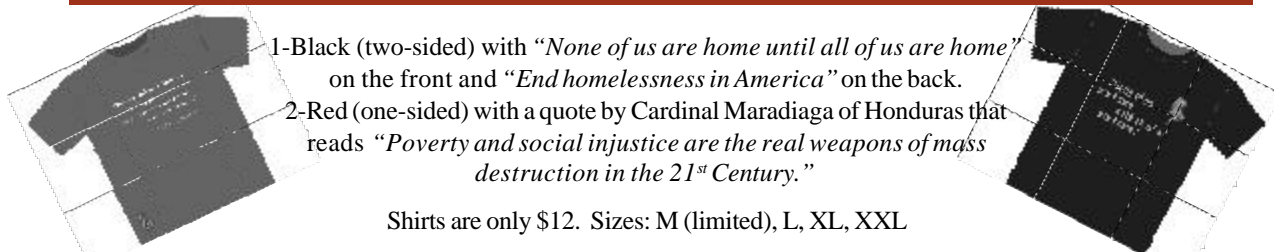
Poinsettia
by Gabrielle Howee



The Window
by Michael Chauncey

Front of *The Window* reads:
"None of us are home until all of us are home."

T-Shirts - *The purchase of these t-shirts benefits the Harold A. Honickman Entrepreneurial Program for teens at our Honickman Learning Center and Comcast Technology Labs.*



- 1-Black (two-sided) with "None of us are home until all of us are home" on the front and "End homelessness in America" on the back.
- 2-Red (one-sided) with a quote by Cardinal Maradiaga of Honduras that reads "Poverty and social injustice are the real weapons of mass destruction in the 21st Century."

Shirts are only \$12. Sizes: M (limited), L, XL, XXL

Businesses with a Mission - *These businesses, located at 1515 Fairmount Avenue, provide employment and job training for formerly homeless men and women.*

Back Home Café and Catering

Call us about holiday catering and gift opportunities!
For more information on the café or catering, email cateringmanager@projecthome.org or call 215-232-6311.

Hours: M - F, 8:30 am - 2:30 pm

OUR DAILY THREADS THRIFT SHOP

"Dollar Days" are the first Tuesday and the third Friday of each month.
Call 215-232-6322 or email sarahpulver@projecthome.org to make a donation appointment or get emails about upcoming sales!

Hours: M - F, 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Project H.O.M.E. and WHY? invite you to

AFTER KATRINA – FROM DISASTER TO HOPE

Monday, November 21, 7:00 p.m.
WHYY Studios - 150 N. 6th Street, Center City

- What has the Katrina disaster taught us about poverty and race in America – and have we learned the lesson?
- How can the same sense of urgency and compassion be extended to persons in our own community who struggle daily with homelessness and poverty?
- How does Philadelphia's new Ten-Year Plan to End Homelessness provide a critical opportunity for us?

Speakers will include columnist Acel Moore from the *Philadelphia Inquirer* and Sister Mary Scullion, Executive Director of Project H.O.M.E.

For more information about this event – including an update on a possible live broadcast – and to RSVP, contact Will O'Brien, Special Projects Coordinator, at 215-232-7272, ext. 3047 or willobrien@projecthome.org

Project H.O.M.E. Thanksgiving Service



Thursday, November 24
10:00 a.m.

1515 Fairmount Avenue

For more information, contact Will O'Brien, Special Projects Coordinator, at 215-232-7272 ext. 3047 or willobrien@projecthome.org

OUR WINTER WISH LIST

- Cleaning supplies: sponges, laundry detergent, dish soap, and disinfectants
- Bottled water
- New twin bed sheet sets, blankets, comforters, and pillows
- SEPTA tokens
- New washcloths and towels
- New underwear and socks for adults
- New men's and women's hats, gloves, and scarves
- Toiletries: deodorant, shaving cream, and razors

For health reasons, Project H.O.M.E. cannot accept used linens, toys, or dishes. Please contact Catherine Darin, Development Associate, at 215-232-7272 ext. 3021 or catherinedarin@projecthome.org to donate items.

A copy of the official registration and financial information may be obtained from the Pennsylvania Department of State by calling toll-free, within Pennsylvania, (800) 732-0999. Registration does not imply endorsement.



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t-shirts, and businesses.