

# COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT

We are overwhelmed by the heart and generosity of our local foundations for making a direct impact in bettering the lives of the young people and families in need in our community through grants.

*Thank You For  
Your Kindness!*

## A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO:

**The Tallmadge Foundation**, for helping to fund the revitalization of the Shelter Home Basement into a space for educational enrichment, recreation and relaxation for the boys in the program.

**GPD Employees' Foundation**, for funding Welcome Duffels for Safe Landing youth. These duffels will provide much needed clothing and hygiene items for youth ages 11-17 who are in crisis and staying at the shelter.

**The Kaulig Foundation**, for helping to purchase AEDs for the Highlands Teen Pregnancy Shelter and Safe Landing. Thank you for protecting the health and safety of our youth!

# NOW HIRING!

Are you a compassionate individual who is looking to make a difference in the lives of youth and families in need?  
Safe Landing could be right for you!

Safe Landing Youth Shelter is currently hiring part-time and full-time Group Life Supervisors to work with youth ages 11-17.

To learn more about the opportunity or other open positions at Shelter Care,

PLEASE CALL 330-630-5600 OR



# OCTOBER-3-2024

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## Save The Date

SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKER  
**PASTOR MIKE CASTELLI**,  
*THE CHAPEL IN GREEN*

APPETIZER  
CHALLENGE (5:15)  
DINNER (6:15 PM)

**GUYS PARTY CENTER**  
500 E. WATERLOO RD.  
AKRON OH 44319



**FOR RESERVATION**



We love our staff! Join us in celebrating staff members and their anniversaries this quarter! Thank you to each for their dedication, passion and advocacy for the young people and families in our programs.

Merrill J.- 1 year

Melissa G.- 3 years

Jessica P. -3 years

Juan B- 15 years

Troy C. -2 years

Joanna B.-30 years

Dejuan A. - 10 years

Scott G.- 17 year

Marlon O. - 7 years

Heather R. - 2 years

Mark B. - 2 years

Shawn W. - 10 years

Cathleen C.- 15 years

## HIS WORLD REVOLVED AROUND HIS MOM, CELEBRATING HER WITH EVERY SMILE AND COO.



A Mother's Day Thought - With May, we welcome Mother's Day. For many, it's a celebration of the love and care of moms and of those who have been moms to us. For some, it's a bit bittersweet or touched with sorrow, remembering the loss of a mom or a mom that wasn't or couldn't be there. For others, it's a day of expectation, awaiting a new life to come and make the world a little brighter.

It reminds me of a time at the Highlands Teen Pregnancy Shelter, Shelter Care's program that serves at-risk teens who are parenting and/or expecting. My coworker and I stepped in to care for one of the babies at the shelter while his mom attended an appointment. At first, the little one was unsure of us; trying to decide if we were friends or foes. But after we gave him a tasty snack, we won him over. For the next hour, we played with toys, gave snuggles and did our best to keep up with him as he enjoyed his newfound skill of toddling.

When his mom returned, scooped him up in her arms and he turned to her, I realize now, that every day was Mother's Day to him. It didn't matter that his mom was in her teens, figuring out school and a job or even

the circumstances that brought her to the shelter. His world revolved around his mom, celebrating her with every smile and coo. It was simply special because she was there. It was a very beautiful Mother's Day. -A Shelter Care Team Member

This quarter, our goal is to raise \$7,500 to continue providing shelter, counseling, and advocacy to young moms and their children so they may have their first and many more Mothers' Days. Please consider a next step in partnering with us!

❑ Join us in our quarterly goal by making a one-time or monthly gift through the enclosed card or at <https://sc72.org/donate/> Thank you!



❑ Learn more about the Highlands Teen Pregnancy Shelter at <https://sc72.org/highlands/> or please call 330-630-5600.

❑ If you or a teen that you know may benefit from the Highlands Program, please share the shelter's information or reach out to the Highlands at 330-633-9474.