

# HOPE BRIDGE

## HOPE FOR SINGLE MOMS

1 in 4 children under the age of 18 are cared for by a single mother. A total of about 13 million children are being raised without a father. About two-thirds of all children who live below poverty in Ohio, live in single-mother (or grandmother) households. Often poverty can be mistaken as neglect (due to correlating poor housing conditions or food insecurity) and can result in increased child welfare reporting and substantiation for low-income families.

Often, the vulnerable single moms in our communities don't have the healthy village-like support that is needed when raising children. One of our passions at Hope Bridge is to be that village.



### *Hope Bridge Homes Program*

In our HBH Program, single moms, age 18 and older, work to set and accomplish goals with the guidance of dedicated and supportive staff, while living in a comfortable residential setting provided by Hope Bridge for a minimal fee with her children for approximately 9-12 months. Available homes are limited and an in-depth intake process is necessary.



### *Community Based Program*

In our CB Program, single moms, age 18 and older, work to set and accomplish goals with the guidance of dedicated and supportive staff, while maintaining her own housing with her children. The moms are provided assistance in connection to resources and complete case plans on a voluntary basis with the goal of life transformation and success, as well as opportunity for earned incentives.

### *In both programs, we:*

- Enlist Godly women to serve as mentors
- Provide assistance with continuing or completing their education
- Help develop budgets and require them to save money that will allow them to graduate the program with more stability
- Teach moms how to cook nutritious meals that are simple and cost effective
- Connect them with local churches
- Teach essential life skills that will help them be the best mom possible

DO YOU KNOW A SINGLE MOM IN NEED OF SUPPORT?

SUBMIT A REFERRAL HERE TO GET STARTED.

