



# CHRISTIAN CARE

2024 Quarterly Newsletter: July-Aug-Sept

## My Story



### Meet JAMAR

"I am grateful, to say the least, first and foremost. I want to thank Christian Care for all the help and everything they have done and provided for me. I came to Christian Care on February 6 when life was just doing a number on me. Christian Care helped so much and God showed me to stay focused and believe in him. I did just that and I have started working, praying, and believing in God. Now I have a place to lay my head, a good job, and a newfound love for Christian Care. Thank God."



#### Calendar of Events

**August 24**

-Martha's House  
Open House

**October 27**

-Pancake Breakfast

**December**

-Frigid Feet

**February 2025**

-Have a Heart Luncheon



**Help Us Build Bridges  
with a gift today**

## Open House



Tour our  
shelter

Meet our  
staff

Enjoy some  
Hors d'oeuvres



**Saturday,  
August 24, 2024  
1:00 – 4:00 pm**

901 20th Street  
Rock Island

**Would you like to learn more about becoming a Bridge Builder?  
Contact Frank at (309) 786-5734.**



SAVE THE DATE  
OCTOBER 27, 2024

St Patrick Catholic Church  
201 1st St., Colona, IL

Hosted by  
Knights of Columbus  
LEO Council 716

TIMES TBD



Finding normalcy while living in a shelter can be especially hard on children. We have a brand new playground set at Martha's House to help with this!

Thank you to the Rock Island Community Foundation and Rauch Family Foundation for the funding.



## Want to HELP but not sure how?

One of the best ways you can help is by organizing a local drive to collect paper products and cleaning supplies. The cost of these items has significantly increased, putting a strain on our budget. Gather your family, friends, or church group and join forces to host a donation drive. This initiative can make a real difference in supporting those who are experiencing homelessness and food insecurity. Please contact Cindi at [cgramenz@christiancareqc.org](mailto:cgramenz@christiancareqc.org) or (309) 786-5734.



We are profoundly saddened by the passing of Board member Anne McGlynn. Anne's unparalleled dedication and commitment to her work were truly remarkable. Her presence will be deeply missed.



Please welcome John McEvoy, Jr. to our Board of Directors. John is retired SVP/COO of Quad City Bank & Trust after 46 years in the banking sector. John and his wife Geralyn live in Rock Island have three children.



Did you know we partner with Project Now to provide the only full-time Street Outreach Team in the Illinois Quad Cities? This team works actively in Rock Island, Moline, East Moline, and Silvis and routinely makes contact with surrounding communities. If you live or work in one of these communities and have questions or need assistance, please contact us!



**Marshall**

**“God & Jesus be all the glory! My name is Marshall. My quest for reconciliation began a couple of months ago when I decided to follow my conviction to be a part of my church in the Quad Cities. I called Christian Care and told them my intentions. They were very helpful throughout the entire process. They allowed me to come and reside with them and contributed to my finding employment and a home. I have been not only able to join my church fellowship but was also able to reconcile my differences with my wife! She and I have decided to continue in our marriage and with assistance from her family, we are going to be starting new. Thank you Christian Care!”**

**“I have been at Martha’s House a long time and finally have my new place. Project Now is helping me with the rent. I’ve been really working on my sobriety and mental health and am now in Phase IV/V of Drug Court. Next is saving my money to buy a car so I can work more hours. I’m going to really miss Martha’s House. I’m nervous but excited to leave. I will keep in touch. Thank you for everything!”**



**Martha’s House  
resident**



**Kyle**

**“I was in a bad spot due to losing my job from going to jail. The jail stay stemmed from drug addiction. My charges all got dismissed and I was released from jail with nothing. I got on the wait list at Christian Care and before I knew it I had a place to stay and steady meals. Once I got there I was given the tools to get a job and I was able to save enough to get into my own apartment. All in all it was a blessing from God to have found Christian Care. It was a nice place to help me get on my feet. I want to thank everyone involved with Christian Care for giving me an opportunity to get back on my feet.”**





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