

THE COMMUNITY BETTERMENT FOUNDATION

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TO THE ROOTS

It's often said that you have to get to the roots if you want to find out what you're really dealing with, and that has certainly been the case in the Thrive Annex building. The Annex Building, donated by Mike and Connie Roberts, was formerly being used as a Subway Restaurant. While it worked great for a Subway, our board had our own vision for the space. We decided to restore the building back to it's former 1900's glory, removing the drop ceilings and exposing the metal tiles. In doing so, we've discovered unsafe plumbing and electrical issues. It's great to find these problems now so we don't have to worry about them causing problems later on down the road. We're setting things up right for this building to last another 100 years. Although waiting is hard, the impact on future generations will be worth it!



GROWING TEAMS

Our board is growing! We have had two new members added to the board, making our board of 7 complete. We are thrilled to have Terisa Tooley and Grant Dedmon join us in our efforts to move the vision and mission forward.



Grant is a Hartville native and the Bank Manager/Loan Officer at Stockmens Bank in Hartville. He is a 2016 graduate from Hartville High School, and graduated from College of the Ozarks in 2019 with a degree in Business Administration. Shortly after finishing his college education, Grant and his wife purchased a property in the Hartville area and moved back home. Grant's core values are centered around his family and community involvement. We are excited to have him on our board with his expertise in finance!

Terisa is a Hartville native as well, living and working as a single mother in the community throughout her adult life. Terisa loves being able to live and serve our area as a community service representative for Ozark Action. Ozark Action has been a community partner with the CBF since 2017, so Terisa is already familiar and supportive of many community programs. She also serves on the board for the Salvation Army. She is a great fit for our board and we are blessed to have her!!



Grant Updates

The foundation has been awarded a grant in the amount of \$24,500 from the Mabee Foundation to work on the Annex project. The money will go towards renovations and equipment for the eatery.

The Mountain Moving Ministry

The Mountain Moving Ministry has been in the Hartville Hope House officially for a year now. They currently have 16 men living in the house! When the house was remodeled in the 90's, the family added a bathroom in every bedroom, so it is really set up great for ministry purposes with four full bathrooms. It's amazing seeing so many changed lives in recovery. Many dads have built relationships with their children, marriages have been reunited, and new leaders are being trained every day. Our community has been very welcoming to these men, helping support the home, disciple and mentor the men, and they are extremely appreciative of it. Their biggest challenge in our area is employment. The program, in total, utilizes 12 vehicles! That's a lot of gas. If you are interested in supporting the MMM Hope House please contact Johnathan McClure 573-836-2840 or send your donations to us earmarked for the MMM house.



CLASSES & PROGRAMS IN THE ANNEX

We have so many things happening in our Annex building, and we love the way it's being fully utilized! We have our CBF office in it, and hold our monthly team/board meetings there as well. Karen Brown is the current teacher with MSU that teaches Hi-Set classes utilizing our space. She currently has 5 students working to obtain their GED. Terisa Tooley, with Ozark Action also has an office space in the building. Ozark Action is a great assistance program that helps with so many different things. There are also AA meetings held in our building every Saturday! Our next project will be to remodel this office/classroom space to make things more accessible, comfortable, and functional.

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