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CELEBRATING MOMS & BIG NEWS

Now Two New Ways to Use the Bridge of Hope Model!

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Dear Friends,

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My mother, Linda Yoder, sends and receives hundreds of cards each year. I often tease her that she has more friends than anyone I know! In truth, I treasure all she's taught me about relating to people - including the **value of friendship**, the joy of hospitality and a deep appreciation for each person encountered in an ordinary day.

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When my mom joined her church's [Bridge of Hope mentoring group](#), she brought her trademark **welcoming** spirit and gift of deep listening to the table. As she developed a friendship with Liz and her 2-year-old and 12-year-old daughters, they had fun together on birthdays, holidays - any day they could find an excuse to celebrate!

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This Mother's Day, I'm celebrating my mom and some **big Bridge of Hope news!** We are now adding **two new ways you can use [the Bridge of Hope model](#)** in your community. I'm excited! Through these new options, we're hoping that more homeless single moms will find housing, employment and financial stability with the encouragement of a circle of friends.

[An Inner Longing](#) [To learn more, contact us now.](#)

Karen longed to help those in need in her community...
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What's new? (Please share these ways communities can use the Bridge of Hope model!)

- **Bridge of Hope Affiliates (current option) - for those who want to join the network of Bridge of Hope affiliates** governed by local boards who hire staff to recruit/train mentors and provide rental assistance and case management. [Bridge of Hope National provides: comprehensive training and ongoing masters level social work support for Bridge of Hope affiliate staff as they recruit/train mentors and implement the program. We also provide best practices training and support in fundraising and nonprofit governance.](#)
- **Bridge of Hope Program Sites (new) - for Christian faith-based agencies** who are already successfully serving homeless single moms on the housing continuum and want to expand their impact by using Bridge of Hope's 3-way partnership program model. [Bridge of Hope National provides: complete mentor training program, masters level social work support for local case managers plus key tools the agency can use to recruit church partners and raise rental assistance funds.](#)

- **Bridge of Hope OneChurch Sites (new) - for individual churches** in communities where there is not already an affiliate or program site. Churches raise funds for rental assistance, find a local agency partner to provide case management and form a mentoring group to be matched with one homeless family (or multiple mentoring groups for multiple families over time). *Bridge of Hope National provides: complete mentor training program, masters level social work support for local case managers plus key tools the church can use to recruit mentors and raise rental assistance funds.*

In celebration of new ways we can end and prevent homelessness together - one church and one family at a time,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Edith Yoder".

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