

MISSION STATEMENT:

Maggie's Place provides houses of hospitality and ongoing support to help pregnant and parenting women in need reach their goals and welcomes them into a community filled with love and dignity.

CORE VALUES ON WHICH OUR COMMUNITY IS BUILT:

Love

Catholic Identity and Trust in God

- Being instruments of Love as evidenced through living the Gospel
- Depending on a relationship with Christ that flows from God's grace as well as personal and community prayer. Remaining founded on Catholic social teaching
- Embracing an attitude of courage and perseverance, with humility and confidence that God will provide

Community of Prayer and Work

- Challenging one another to grow and to love intruth
- Incorporating prayer and faith into our daily rhythm of life
- · Recognizing holiness in all tasks
- · Acknowledging the need for silence and renewal
- "Pray as if everything depended on God, work as if everything depended on you." – St. Ignatius of Loyola

Hospitality

Gratitude and Humility

- Acknowledging our limitations as individuals and as a community
- Encouraging and showing sincere gratitude.
- Encouraging the motivation to transform from within

Generosity of Spirit

- Embracing the "duty of the moment"
- Offering the gift of presence
- · Having a welcoming and loving spirit towards all that enter
- Being generous to the wider community

Community

Simple Living and Solidarity

- · Learning from those with whom we work and live
- Building authentic community that balances individual needs with the common good
- Finding solidarity rooted in our common mission

- Embracing a lifestyle of simplicity by being good stewards of all that has been given to us
- Practicing a preferential option by putting the needs of the vulnerable first

Environment of Healing and Growth

- Encouraging healing and growth among members of the Maggie's Place community
- Acknowledging purpose in suffering
- Improving the overall health and well-being of mom and child by encouraging and modelinga healthy lifestyle
- Upholding standards and expectations of healthy ways of relating to one another
- Empowering the moms to identify and achieve their own goals toward independence

Excellence

Commitment to Education

- Supporting moms toward acquiring skills and gaining knowledge
- Confronting stereotypes and bringing people of diverse backgrounds together
- Bringing awareness on issues of poverty and social justice to the wider community

Commitment to the homes

- Keeping the functioning of the homes and well-being of the mothers and MissionCorps members our first priority
- Defining our standard of excellence by the quality of our love and support to the families we serve

Affirmation of Life and Human Dignity

- Creating an environment that nurtures self-worth
- Maintaining a commitment to social justice for the marginalized
- Protecting the life of the born and unborn child and providing options for women that choose to give life
- Discovering, appreciating, and using the gifts and talents of each person

GOALS FOR MOTHERS WHILE AT MAGGIE'S PLACE:

- Financial ability to meet family's basic needs
- **Emotional** having the tools to recover and respond to difficult life experiences in a healthy manner
- Support Systems/Social Connectedness having friends, family, community and additional resources available to access in times of need
- **Coping Strategies** building skills that encourage self-sufficiency and having the ability to deal with daily life
- Spiritual encourage belief in divine purpose and guidance
- Physical encourage well-being through healthy lifestyle choices
- Relationships/Role Models having frequent access to individuals who are appropriate, nurturing, and who can provide well-informed advice and encouragement
- Parenting develop parenting

