## Give the Gift of Hope To someone in need.

Right now someone in the Elkhorn community is wondering what they are going to do because:

Work hours were reduced or they are out of work.

They had to decide between paying the rent or fixing the car in order to get to work.

They missed work because of injury or family illness and they are steadily getting behind as medical expenses and other bills mount.

They have been approved for assistance from another agency but need help to cover the days, even weeks prior to receiving that help.

We can work together to assist people in these kinds of situations before they become desperate.

Please help HOPE NOW, Inc. restore hope to people in need.

HOPE NOW, Inc. 107 W. Walworth Street Elkhorn, WI 53121



Dedicated to restoring Hope to people's lives.

An ecumenical, 501C(3), non-profit group dedicated to providing short term emergency assistance for housing, utilities, transportation, medical needs, and holiday baskets to applicants in the Elkhorn area.

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## HOPE NOW, Inc. HISTORY

In 2002, a group of concerned people from different churches, service groups, the school system and county social services gathered together to consider ways we all might work together in a combined effort to help those in need in the Elkhorn area.

HOPE NOW, Inc. was born out of these efforts to assist as many people as possible while not duplicating efforts or enabling abuse of the community's charitable desires. Since our incorporation in May of 2004, we have assisted over 600 different households with loans for a variety of needs such as rent assistance, utilities, transportation needs, and medical prescriptions.

Representatives of HOPE NOW, Inc. meet with applicants for assistance on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month at St. Patrick's School. Starting at 6:30 pm interviews are held to review information from our applicants and to assess options for assistance and/or referral to other agencies.

Three times a year (Thanksgiving, Christmas and Easter) we work with the Elkhorn area schools, local churches, service groups and the Elkhorn Food Pantry to provide special holiday food baskets for qualified families. With the generous help from these groups as well as individuals, we have been able to put together over 120 baskets at a time for families in need in Elkhorn.

## **WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT!**

None of these efforts would be possible if it were not for the incredible generosity of so many people in the community. Much of the financial support we have received has come from local churches who have taken special offerings during worship services. Other funding has come from special gifts given to HOPE NOW, Inc. from different service groups. Individuals who have seen the importance of HOPE NOW, Inc. to the health of our entire community have generously given gifts.

No single group, on its Helping own, has the resources to meet the many the Elkhorn needs that are present in our community. In community joining together, we arow in it's have enough resources sense of by using our gifts cooperatively and Hope wisely for the good of all.

The needs of people in our community come to our attention all year long. Only with the continued support of caring people in the Elkhorn area will HOPE NOW, Inc. be able to provide this special emergency assistance and allow "hope" to grow stronger for local individuals and families. Assistance is available only to people in the Elkhorn Area School District. Those seeking help may only receive it once a year.

**Donations** are graciously accepted at any time of the year and can be made out to:

HOPE NOW, Inc. Rev. Joyce Rich Bethel United Methodist Church W5110 County Road A Elkhorn, WI 53121

HOPE NOW, Inc. is a 501C (3) charitable organization and your gifts are tax deductible.

We welcome your questions and would enjoy an opportunity to speak with you about the work of HOPE NOW, Inc. Please call:

Rev. Scott McLeod 262-723-3246 Eleanor Montano 262-723-4711 Rev. Joyce Rich 262-742-3507

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HOPE NOW, Inc. meets at

St. Patrick's Elementary School

534 Sunset Drive—Elkhorn, Wisconsin

6:30 pm the 2nd & 4th Tuesday every month