



# HONOR A SPECIAL MOM IN YOUR LIFE

by helping another woman write a story of  
hope for herself and her children



We water the seed of inner strength in homeless women so  
they can make a better life for themselves and their children.

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Every year, when one of us sits down to write the Mustard Seed Mother's Day letter, our thoughts turn to our guests – the more than 1,200 women and children we have served since our founding in 1995. That's **1,200 stories of homelessness transformed to stories of hope.**

Every woman who walks through our door has a story. Some would take your breath away. All too often, they are filled with unimaginable sadness, pain and loss. No matter how homelessness became a part of their story, **our guests come to us ready for a new life – a new story.** This is who we are serving and making a difference with every day.

We start by welcoming them to a loving home, and we love them unconditionally. We tell them they have value. And that our community needs them. We provide a safe place to heal and grow, listening ears, strong shoulders and loving hugs. **Thanks to generous donors like you, we are able to give them hope for a better tomorrow.**

As I write this year's message, there are 12 guests in our home. Nine women and three children. That will change tomorrow, as Stephanie moves into a new apartment. Daily we answer calls, emails and Facebook messages asking about available beds, and I know there will be a new guest taking her place within a few days ... or hours.

I am thrilled to see Stephanie begin this next chapter in her life. Your donation to Mustard Seed Shelter can be a meaningful gift to someone who has made a difference in *your* life. Use the tear-off card here to give to your honoree. Or, if you prefer, write a message to a current or future guest and enclose with your gift.

On behalf of all of the women and children we serve and whose stories we are honored to share, **thank you for your continued support.**



Amy Bartels Roe, Executive Director



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