

BUILDING EXPANSION COMPLETED, NEW HOME DEDICATED, RENOVATION IN PROGRESS

On July 22, we held a dedication and ribbon-cutting to celebrate completion of our 3,500-square-foot expansion. An open house was also held that afternoon so that community members could tour the new rooms prior to guests moving in. Throughout the day, we welcomed about 150 people to our home, and over 1,000 attended virtually by viewing our Facebook Live video.

Thank you to Jack Luna for providing your sound system, DJ skills and dance moves throughout the day, Katie O'Mara for serving as our emcee, and Willi's Sausage in Frankenmuth for providing refreshments in the afternoon. A month of gratitude is planned to spotlight all of our sponsors but in the meantime, you can find a full list of project donors on our website. **We are so grateful and blessed!**

Hear remarks from the dedication and ribbon-cutting and catch a glimpse of the new rooms plus some great drone footage on the **Mustard Seed Shelter YouTube channel** (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OsRXhiGVhRY>).

MAKING OUR CURRENT HOME LIKE-NEW AGAIN

After more than five years of dreaming and praying and over three years of planning and fundraising, it's been so exciting to watch our home be transformed these past several months! Now that the expansion portion of our project is complete and we are fully moved in, volunteers are in the process of sprucing up the original building. Some updates are complete, and others are in progress or slated to begin in the near future. Below is an overview of the projects and progress.

RENOVATION OVERVIEW

Complete

- Walls and ceilings repainted in front part of house
- New flooring installed in dining room
- Barn door installed in main hallway – using repurposed door from existing office
- Playroom spruced up
- Cluttered office transformed into sitting room/private intake and counseling office
- Giveaway room relocated to larger area in new basement with repurposed shelving
- Heating and cooling updated (thanks to special COVID-19 funding)

In progress or coming soon

- Finish repainting walls and ceilings throughout
- Update electrical and lighting
- Update window treatments throughout – blinds, valances, drapes, etc.
- Repurpose parlor door as counter in Services Coordinator office
- Finish reorganizing existing and adding new storage areas
- Purchase easier-to-clean furniture – beds, mattresses, misc. chairs and tables
- Purchase and install new, efficient kitchen appliances (refrigerator and double oven)
- Modernize plumbing fixtures in all bathrooms
- Configure space to help promote family privacy as well as ability to quarantine/isolate

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An office once crammed with desks, project table, printer and office supplies is now a welcoming sitting room that can also serve as a private intake and counseling office.

BEAUTIFUL NEW ROOMS FILLED WITH LOVE AND HOPE



When guests arrive, they are provided with a towel carrying a message of hope.



We love our bright and colorful conference room (donor recognition wall in corner).



Dozens of meals have already been enjoyed around the table in our spacious new kitchen.



Bright spots of color can be seen throughout our new wing.



Pretty and accessible guest bathroom includes a wheel-in shower.



The warm, inviting, yet easy-to-clean guest bedrooms include items lovingly donated by room sponsors. Guests can personalize rooms to their own tastes and needs.



Room sponsors are acknowledged in some of the new bedrooms.

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE - IN THE HOME STRETCH!

Now that our building expansion is complete and the renovation of our existing building well underway, the Extend the Branch Capacity Building and Shelter Expansion campaign is winding down. **We are still within \$40,000 of our \$1 million funding target.** *For those looking for a unique and very special way to honor someone you love, room sponsorships are still available, as are opportunities to sponsor materials and projects for the renovation.* Donations over our funding target will be directed to the building preservation fund for ongoing maintenance and repairs.

