

Ozanam Family Shelter

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5 Ways You Can Help!

- 1) Pray for those experiencing homelessness-that they find critical resources to support their families and themselves.
- 2) Participate in Ozanam activities and fundraisers-several are listed in this newsletter.
- 3) Donate new or gently used pillows, blankets, twin sheets or towels. It is easy-just drop them off anytime at the shelter.
- 4) Volunteer - call 812-422-2214 to ask where your skills can be utilized. There are many options from cooking, organizing, working outside, and other fun and rewarding opportunities.
- 5) Give - Ozanam relies on individuals like you to help house and feed the most vulnerable in our community. Use the enclosed envelope or send your donation to 1100 Read Street Evansville IN 47710. Online donations can be made at OzanamFamilyShelter.org/donate.

THANK YOU!

SLEEP?
TIGHT?
Not Everyone Can



We're Here to Help
Ozanam Family Shelter
Providing safe shelter for families experiencing homelessness

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Join us February 22 for the
Sweetheart Sock Hop

The 3rd annual Sweetheart Sock Hop, presented by Menke's Auto Repair and Thacker, Charnes, Stowe & Associates – Ameriprise, is set for Saturday, February 22, 2020. The event will be held at the VFW located at 110 Wabash Avenue. Proceeds from this FUNdraiser will help Ozanam continue its mission to provide temporary, emergency shelter to families and single women experiencing homelessness while assisting them in finding long-term housing solutions.

We need your help to make the Sock Hop a success! Cash sponsorships and in-kind donations are needed.

Thank you in advance for your consideration and support. For more information or to make a donation, please contact Danette Romines at Ozanam.dromines@gmail.com or 812-422-2214.



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Danette Romines

Letter from the Director:

As a friend of Ozanam Family Shelter, you are amazing and we would not be able to shelter homeless families without you. This year brought so many changes! With the loss of two area family shelters, Ozanam went from being the largest to now the only family shelter that can accept a whole family or single fathers in Evansville. The demand for our services is growing and we have had to think outside the box to be able to expand our program.

This year, we modified our Case Management Team and formed a partnership with Aurora Inc. We now have one Ozanam Engagement Coordinator and a Housing Coordinator through Aurora. We also rearranged the facilities to make space for more family rooms and implemented a House Manager to help with the influx of people needing our services.

The growing pains will be worth it as we see our clients reach their goal of obtaining stable housing for themselves and their children.

Thank you for contributing to Ozanam's mission to help make this a possibility!

Danette Romines, BSW MPA
Executive Director



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MISSION

The Ozanam Family Shelter provides a safe emergency space for families to stay together while offering services and resources to help secure long-term housing solutions.

WHO WE ARE:

Ozanam is a unique emergency shelter in Evansville that houses families and single women. We can service up to 17 families and 9 single women under one roof. We provide safe, quality space, prepared meals, laundry facilities, and support services. We rely on financial and volunteer support from our local community to maintain the ability to keep families together while they work to rebuild their resources and explore housing options.

WE PROVIDE:

- 24-hour Shelter
- Case Management
- 3 Balanced Meals
- 2 Snacks
- Personal Hygiene Items
- Laundry Facilities
- Social Service Resources
- Employment Referrals
- Permanent Housing Plans
- Financial Counseling
- Bus Tokens



Save the Date – May 17, 2020

Ozanam Family Shelter will participate in Walking for Dreams on Sunday, May 17, 2020, at the Tropicana Events Plaza. Make plans to join our team as a walker or sponsor!

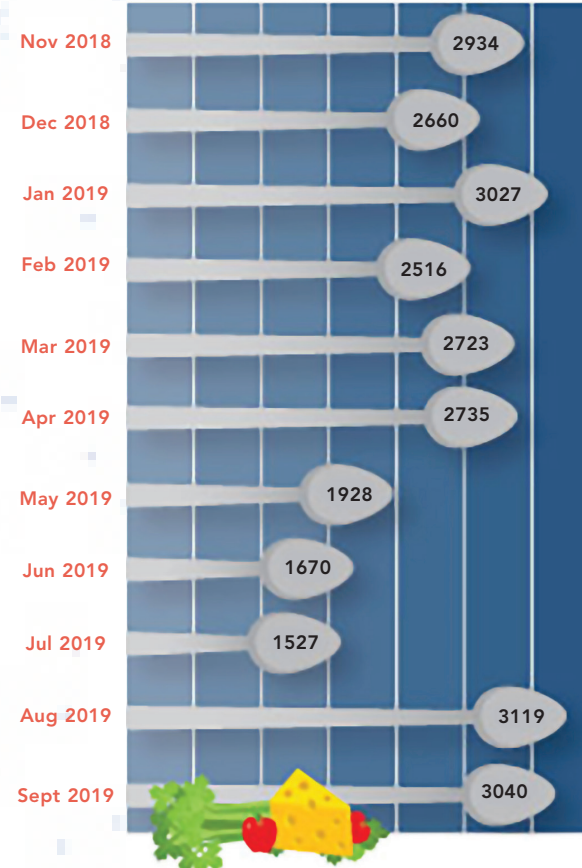
It takes a lot of meat and potatoes to serve all these meals.....

You can help!

Volunteers are always needed to assist with meal preparation and serving. We also welcome nonperishable food items to help keep our pantry stocked. Consider hosting a food drive at your business or organization or call us at 812-422-2214 to volunteer.

Thank you to the many individuals and groups who help us throughout the year. We could not help so many if so many were not helping us!

Meals Served



Ozanam awarded two grants

Ozanam was excited and honored to receive two grants recently. The first was a \$35,000 grant from the Vanderburgh County Women's Fund. This will help support case management services provided by our partnership with Aurora resulting in expedited exit plans and shortened shelter stays for our families. The second grant is from the City of Evansville Endowment Fund for \$20,000. This will be used to renovate and upgrade the plumbing in one of the shelter's bathrooms. We are very grateful for this support to help us continue our mission.



(l to r) Danette Romines, Asia Higgins, Kerrie Weinzapfel, Brad Hayden and Jean Alvey pose proudly with the grant check from the Vanderburgh County Women's Fund.



Ozanam supports Halloween on North Main

Ozanam Family Shelter was excited to participate in the 2nd annual Halloween on North Main Street on Nov. 2. Hundreds of families enjoyed free candy, inflatables, meeting characters, games and more. Ozanam passed out lots of fresh apples and candy and provided festive selfie frames to pose for photos.

Pictured are Danette Romines (left) and Nina Schultheis (right.)



Announcing Ozanam's new House Manager!

Ozanam Family Shelter is proud to announce the promotion of Asia Higgins to the position of House Manager! Asia started at Ozanam in April of 2016 as a part-time direct care staff member. During her time here, she has been providing applicable input into policies and procedures making client access to services safer and more consistent. Ozanam is excited to see where Asia leads our staff in fulfilling our mission to provide safe emergency shelter for families and single women! Congratulations!

Franklin Street Event Association 7th Annual Gumbo Cook-off

Saturday February 15, 2020 1-4 PM

Visit Paul's Menswear. All their Gumbo donations support Ozanam Family Shelter!