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## WE LOVE OUR COMMUNITY PARTNERS

Summer hasn't officially started yet, and we are already getting busy! We are blessed to have the opportunity to shelter, feed and clothe some of the most vulnerable in our community but we certainly can't do it alone. Once again, we have generous community partners that are helping us spread the word about the importance of caring for all of our citizens in Rapid City, with an emphasis on those with the least. This month, I want to highlight three of our special partners.

Black Hills Community Bank is hosting their 8th Annual Diaper Drive for the Cornerstone Women & Children's Home. Eight years ago, their employees came up with the very unique idea of a diaper drive and this June they have set a goal of reaching 40,000 diapers. Please stop by the bank located at 840 Mt. Rushmore Road in downtown Rapid City. The diaper drive starts June 1 and goes through June 30. In addition to taking donations of diapers or money to buy diapers, they also host a wonderful silent auction with all proceeds going to the Diaper Drive. Stop by, browse, put in a bid, make a donation - all while supporting a wonderful cause!

M.G. Oil is another long-term supporter of Cornerstone Rescue Mission and will host a golf tournament for

us on June 22nd at Red Rocks Golf Course. The staff at M.G. Oil chose us to be their charity of choice and for the past 9 years have pulled out all the stops to put on a wonderful golf tournament and barbeque to help us continue providing services to the homeless in our community. We appreciate their generosity and the camaraderie they promote during the tournament!

Cornerstone Women & Children's Home has had a long relationship with Working Against Violence, Inc.— we even bought our first women's shelter from them! Last September they had an emergency issue with their septic sewer system and had to temporarily shut down. We were able to house their guests at our Women and Children's Home and in return they gave us their annual Spirit of Peace Award. We are honored and humbled, and were happy to be in a position to help.

Community Partners are wonderful and deserve so much credit for all they do to help the Mission and the homeless. We are blessed and grateful to have them working with us!

Peace, Lysa



### Cornerstone Rescue Mission Women & Children's Home



## Get Behind our Diaper Drive!

During the month of June, Black Hills Community Bank is asking our community to bring diapers or cash donations. Donations of any size are appreciated as they work to reach their goal of 40,000 diapers to benefit the Cornerstone Rescue Mission's Women & Children's Home. A gift of \$10.00 will buy 33 diapers, \$20.00 will buy 66 diapers and \$50.00 will buy 165 diapers! Every child deserves clean, dry diapers.

Donations can be made at  
Black Hills Community Bank



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# WAVI HONORS THE WOMEN & CHILDREN'S HOME

On April 14th WAVI held their annual banquet and honored the Cornerstone Women & Children's Home with their Spirit of Peace award. In September of 2017 WAVI experienced an issue with their septic system and needed emergency housing for their women and children. They found refuge in the unused section of our Women & Children's building. Cornerstone has a long history of working with WAVI and we have tremendous respect for all the good work their agency does. We thank them for honoring us this way! We also want to extend our thanks to Amanda Pioche, Program Manager of the Women & Children's Home, and to all the staff there who pitched in to make the WAVI ladies and children feel welcome and comfortable. It was a great team effort between the two agencies!



*The hard working and caring staff of the Women & Children's Home*

## CORNERSTONE APARTMENTS - A SAFE PLACE TO LIVE

Officer Baxter presented Maryann Leanna, Program Manager of the Cornerstone Apartments, with a new Crime Free Housing certificate. This is quite the accomplishment and the guests were treated to a "safety social" to celebrate. Dominos, Boss' Pizza & Chicken, and Jimmy John's generously provided food for the party. Congratulations to everyone for keeping the Cornerstone Apartments a safe place to live!



*Maryann and Officer Baxter*



*The kids, moms, and staff at the Women & Children's Home had fun building these cute little planters donated by Lowe's. The kids actually nailed them together!*



# APARTMENT RESIDENTS LEND A HELPING HAND

Maryann Leanna, Program Manager of the Cornerstone Apartments, recently had the opportunity to acknowledge some of her wonderful residents at the Cornerstone Apartments who go out of their way to be helpful at the apartments. She nominated them for one of the Helpline Center Spirit of Volunteerism awards that were given out on May 15th. Maryann nominated Brenda and Conrad “Gil” Gilbert, and Molly Thunderchief. Previous nominees Michelle Pope and Christine Siim were also up for awards.

Maryann commented that Molly “helps out whenever needed and does a great job cleaning apartments when people move out”. She goes on to say that “Molly has a great attitude and never a harsh word about anyone. She is an exceptional tenant and I consider her a friend.”

Brenda and Gil also live at the apartments and are very helpful. Maryann tells me “Gil goes out in the frigid cold shoveling snow to make sure that the sidewalks are cleared out for the residents. He and Brenda are the ones that check the laundry room every evening and lock it up. They are very helpful around the facility with cleaning out the apartments when people move out. They are good friends and a great asset to the apartments and are always quick to lend a hand.”

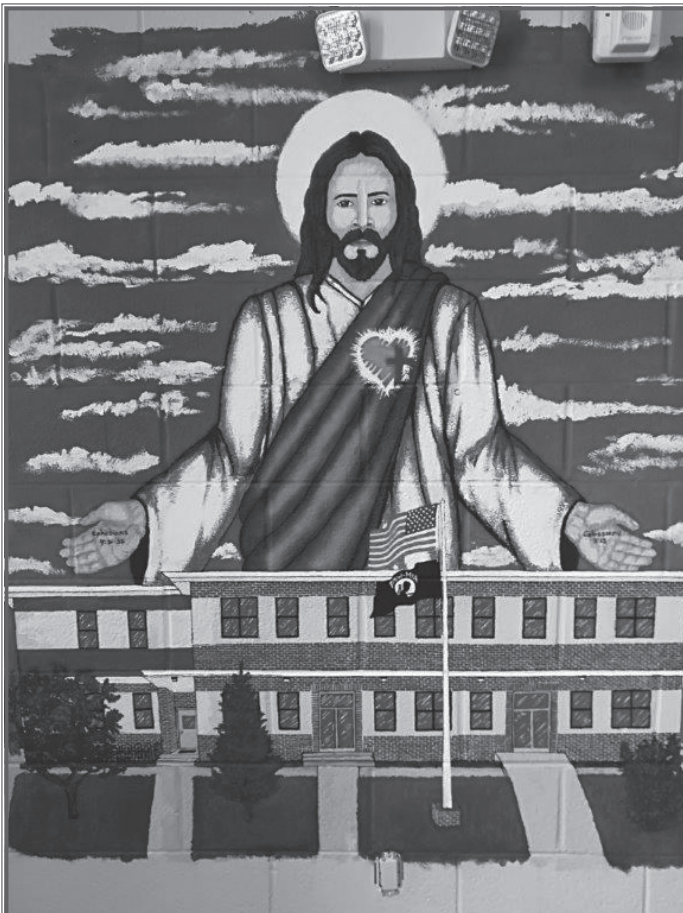
We want to congratulate all the nominees and thank each one of them for all they do for Cornerstone!



*Brenda and Gil Gilbert*



*Molly Thunderchief*



*Sam Benoist, a guest of Cornerstone, created a beautiful mural in the lobby of 30 Main. So talented!*

*Sam's Awesome Mural!*



Modern Woodmen donated overnight bags for the kids at the Women & Children's Home. These contained a blanket, a book, and hygiene items. How fun!



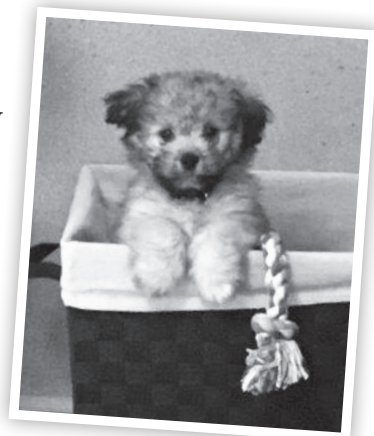
Carman Timmerman brought a nice donation from the Celebration of Hymns presented by First United Methodist Church & the Rapid City Chapter of National Pastoral Musicians. So thoughtful!



Canyon Lake Elementary held a food drive for Cornerstone. Look at all that food!

## WELCOME ROWLEY

Rowley is the newest staff member at the Women & Children's Home. Actually Rowley is Amanda's new Maltese-Poodle mix "child". Amanda is the Program Manager at the Women & Children's Home and has endless energy and joy, just like Rowley! Amanda will bring Rowley to the house a few days a week. We are hoping it will be a good way for the children to learn compassion and the responsibility of taking care of an animal. Many of the children that stay with us have never had a pet and have never experienced the unconditional love of an animal. Rowley has been a HUGE hit over there already - giving and receiving love and joy! How can you not smile when you see that furry little face!



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### MEN'S MISSION 30 Main St. KITCHEN:

Fruits and vegetables  
Eggs, Milk, Coffee, Sugar,  
Oatmeal, Pancake mix  
Cream of Mushroom  
or Chicken soup

#### MISSION:

Foot powder  
Towels, twin-sized blankets  
Twin-sized sheets  
Cold weather outerwear  
Reading glasses  
Men and women's long underwear,  
Bottled water for sack lunches  
Personal hygiene items for men & women  
Backpacks

### CORNERSTONE THRIFT STORE 401 - 11th Street

Beds, household furniture,  
household appliances,  
kitchen items, home décor

### WOMEN & CHILDREN'S HOME 301 Fox Run Drive

Coffee, Eggs  
Milk, Cereal  
Sandwich bread  
Butter, Sugar  
Laundry/dish soap,  
baby wash/baby lotion  
Kleenex, Clorox wipes  
and Personal hygiene items

### VETERANS 30 Main St.

Shoes & boots, thermal  
underwear, sugar/creamer,  
antiperspirant, lotion,  
backpacks, coffee

### APARTMENTS 1220 East Blvd.

Dish soap  
household cleaners

#### ADOPT A FAMILY:

Gas cards, oil changes,  
laundry & dish soap, toilet  
paper, household things



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