

1 Interview

- ☞ Application & Interview
- ☞ Assessment of Needs
- ☞ Information & Referrals
- ☞ H.I.S House Program Explained.

2 Case Management

- ☞ Special Needs Assessment
- ☞ Savings
- ☞ Employment Guidance
- ☞ Goal Setting
- ☞ Community Resources

3 Training

- ☞ Parenting Classes
- ☞ Life Skills Classes
- ☞ Finance 101

Mission Statement

The Homeless Intervention and Shelter House assists homeless families, couples and individuals to regain self-sufficiency through housing, training, counseling and personal support.

4 Employment Guidance

- ☞ Workshops
- ☞ One-On-One Counseling
- ☞ Job Training Opportunities
- ☞ Continuing Education

5 Personal Support

- ☞ R.S.V.P ~ Resident Support Volunteer Program
- ☞ Professional Counseling
- ☞ Group Activities
- ☞ House Meetings
- ☞ Special Events

6 Graduation

- ☞ Move Into Own Residence
- ☞ Household Supplies
- ☞ Home Furnishings when available
- ☞ Second Step Program for Qualified Graduates when available

7 Graduate Support


- ☞ Support Track and Review Committee
- ☞ Follow up Support
- ☞ Correspondence & Visits
- ☞ Special Events.

“Charity’s Closet”

In February of 2006, we signed a lease and began renovations at 134 N. Bradford for the thrift shop *Charity’s Closet*. Run entirely by volunteers the store features women’s, men’s, and children’s gently-used clothing and accessories, such as shoes, purses, and hats, house wares and linens for every room of the home, small appliances, some unique pieces of furniture, seasonal items, books and videos. New stock arrives daily!

The shop is open Tuesday to Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and on Sunday from noon to 4 p.m. It is closed on Mondays. Donations are accepted at the back door Monday to Saturday, 10:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. and Sunday from noon to 4 p.m.

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Second Step Program

Since October 2002 we have leased, through the city, a residence to use as a low cost rental for qualified graduates. Qualified graduates may apply and can stay up to six months continuing case management meetings and saving towards self sufficiency. To qualify for an interview, residents must successfully graduate the program with employment of at least 32 hours a week, verify savings of at least one month’s income, and the recommendation of the H.I.S House Director or their Case Manager.



Volunteer Opportunities

While financial contributions are critical to support a staff of eight people, provide child care, and assure regular maintenance of the shelter, we couldn’t do it all without our volunteers. We are always looking for new people and ideas. Some of our major needs are listed below:

Thrift Shop: *Charity’s Closet* has a variety of volunteer opportunities available to suit your schedule. Stop by and speak with a day manager and pick up a volunteer form.

Office Volunteers: As we do not have a full time secretary on staff, volunteers are needed to answer phones, help with filing and other administrative duties. Can you help 2-4 hours per week? Contact Director Teri Niebuhr at (714) 993-5774 .

STAR/RSVP: This committee is designed to track former residents and mentor current residents. The committee meets roughly once per quarter. The time commitment for mentoring is anywhere from a-half to two hours per week with a resident. For more information contact Director Teri Niebuhr at (714) 993-5774 .

Children’s Play Hour Volunteer: Volunteers are needed to play with the children or help with homework in the early evening so parents can attend mandatory meetings. For more information contact Director Teri Niebuhr at (714) 993-5774 .

Never doubt that a small, group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has.

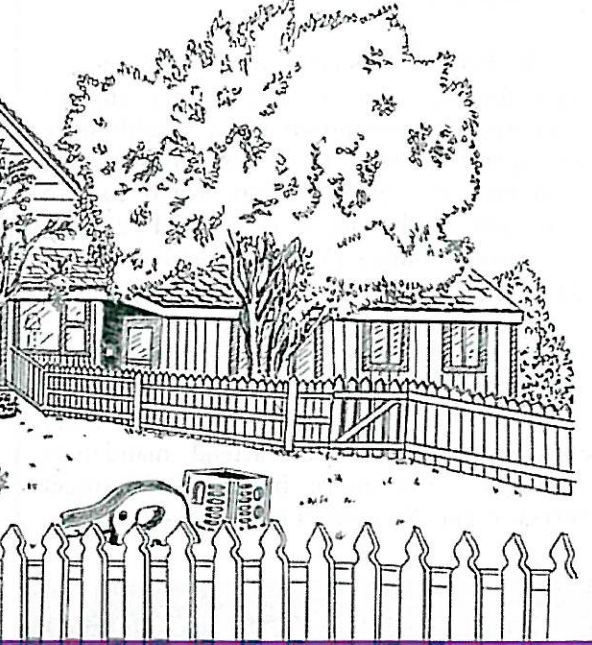
Margaret Mead

Wish List

- ☞ Twin Sheets
- ☞ Pillowcases
- ☞ New pillows
- ☞ Towels
- ☞ Blankets
- ☞ Volunteers
- ☞ Hygiene Supplies
- ☞ Cleaning Supplies
- ☞ Monetary Support

All other donations can be dropped off at *Charity's Closet* located at 134 N. Bradford Ave in Placentia. *H.I.S House* residents can receive vouchers to use in the shop for their needs, for clothing interviews or new jobs, and clothing for their children.

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Self-Sufficiency

Historical Highlights

In 1989, the Placentia Presbyterian Church, utilizing an old farmhouse next door, began the Homeless Intervention Shelter House know as H.I.S House. A volunteer committee and a part time resident manager ran the shelter. A family with a newborn baby was among the first residents. They had been living in a tent in Featherly Park.



In March of 2001, thanks to a HUD grant and many volunteers, *H.I.S House* completed its second renovation project expanding from 25 to 40 beds. *H.I.S House* is one of the only shelters in Orange County which invites single adults without children to participate in their program as well as helps with the reunification of parents and their children who have been in the foster care system.

The growth of the shelter also included the addition of the *Second Step* program, and an expansion of staff from three to eight. Two full time positions; the Director and a Case Manager, five part-time positions; a Case Manager, three Resident Managers, Childcare Coordinator and an Administrative Assistant.

Approximately 140 people are served at *H.I.S House* each year. The many men, women and children who have called *H.I.S House* home for a few months have left with a renewed strength and prospects for a better future.

For more info please call the office (714) 993-5774
www.HisHousePlacentia.org

H.I.S House would not exist without the contributions of time, talent and money from many individuals, congregations, organizations, businesses and government entities from our local community and beyond.

7 Steps to Self-Sufficiency




Homeless Intervention Shelter House

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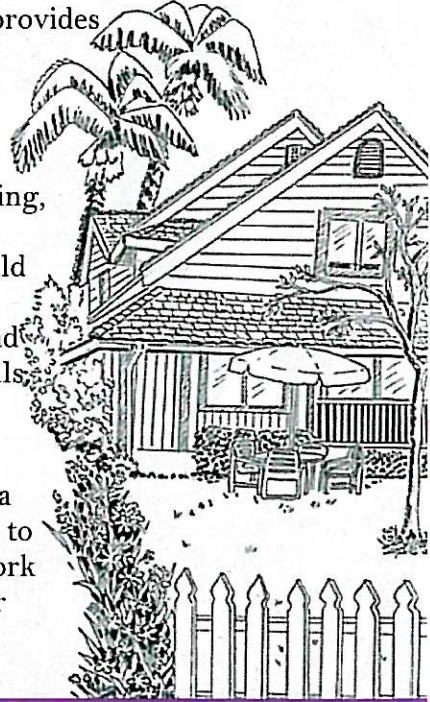
Program Description

H.I.S. House provides transitional shelter to families and individuals who are homeless, but have the motivation and capability, with assistance, to regain self-sufficiency. Residents stay from 4 to 6 months while they develop a source of permanent income and save money for housing.

H.I.S. House offers a home-like environment where residents can sleep in a private room, prepare meals, do laundry, read or do homework, receive mail, make and receive phone calls, all while looking for employment. *H.I.S House* residents have access to a computer and fax machine to assist with their job search.

H.I.S House provides weekly case management meetings, assistance with counseling, employment guidance, child care, classes in finance, and other life skills.

Volunteers meet with residents on a regular basis to help them work towards their goals.



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