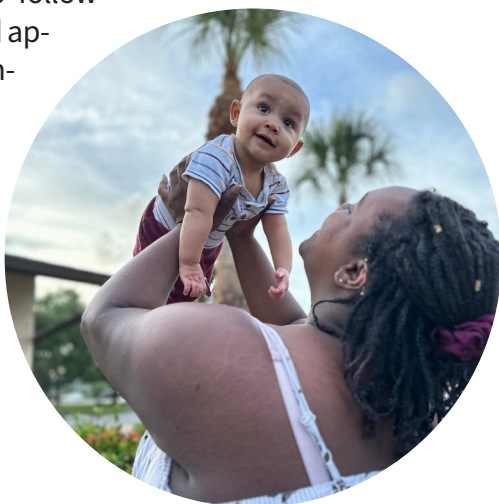


Story of the Month

Tolley moved to OMH a year ago, when her son Liam was just six months old. She quickly secured a job at a fast-food restaurant and enrolled in college to pursue a degree in Early Childhood Education. Although she was on the verge of being promoted to site supervisor, Tolley chose to follow her passion and applied for a teaching position at the local Head Start program—

aligning more closely with her long-term goals. Today, Liam is a thriving toddler, and we couldn't be prouder of Tolley's dedication and achievements. Tolley now has a mentor and we're excited to see what she'll accomplish in the next year with us.



What's New?

Our mentorship program is growing, but we're still looking for more mentors to support our moms.

If you're interested in becoming a mentor, please reach out to Aniko at 941-485-6264 ext. 1505.

Clients On The Move

In May, three of our moms transitioned out of the program. The first mom made meaningful progress at OMH—advancing her education toward a college degree and building up her savings for greater financial security.

The second mom secured a better job, enrolled in college to pursue a career in social work, and saved enough money to obtain housing for herself and her child. The third mom had to be dismissed from the program - a sad but necessary decision we make at OMH. We filled all three apartments with new residents.

Updates

Fundraising

We were recipients of two awards this month. One from Our Lady of Lourdes Council of Catholic Women and The Kings of Columbus in Nokomis.

This month, we spoke about our program during Rotary, Sertoma, Knights of Columbus, Council of Catholic Women, and Chamber of Commerce events.

Volunteer Corner

We had the pleasure of hosting 15 incredible women from the Amazon Distribution Center's Women's Group. These inspiring volunteers brought and installed three raised garden beds to launch our new community garden, planted vibrant flowers across the property, and created a tranquil rock garden for everyone to enjoy.

The community garden will be filled with fresh

vegetables and herbs this fall, thanks to All Faiths Food Bank. Through this initiative, we hope to teach our mothers the value of growing their own food and to inspire our children with hands-on lessons about farming.

In addition, we have plans to create a Japanese Zen Garden at our "Frank" building—a calming space where clients and staff can de-stress and reconnect with a sense of purpose. We are currently looking for support to bring this vision to life.



Upcoming

Golf Tournaments

The Knights of Columbus, Our Lady of Lourdes golfing tournament will be at Sarasota National on September 20. Sponsorship opportunities available. Please contact Dave Tura for information at (978) 837-0692 or Tony Giardullo at (303) 810-8010.

Dinner and Dance

At the Venice Yacht Club on November 1. Invitations will be sent out in August. Space is limited to 80 people.

We're always actively seeking new donors as well as fresh fundraising opportunities. If you have any suggestions or recommendations, please feel free to reach out to Aniko at 941-485-6264 ext. 1505.