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Donors Recognized on Doorway of Hope Arches and Rooms

Landing their name on a Doorway of Hope arch is one of the most visible ways donors are supporting HomeBase Youth Services. The youth classroom, recreation/fitness room or even a conference room are other highly visible places donors are placing their names when they support the organization.



One of the features in the main courtyard is a pathway of 10, house-shaped arches. These arches (8 feet in height) represent the doorways the youth pass through while taking in new lessons and life skills that, in essence, open new doors for their futures. "People who want to contribute to the organization are drawn to this opportunity because of what it represents," says Martha Ostrom, President/CEO for the organization. "Maybe because they remember obstacles they surpassed in their own youth on the road to success," she adds.

Four donors have already stepped up to support HomeBase by purchasing a Doorway of Hope arch at the new Nicholas Transitional Living Center; and only six more donors will have the opportunity to leave their legacy by naming an arch. Other naming opportunities include suites, individual rooms, mental health and therapeutic offices, the finance administrative offices and the lobby of the transitional living facility.

Last year, HomeBase and community members raised the funds needed to reconstruct the Nicholas Transitional Living Center. The new, state-of-the-art, 25-bed facility opened its doors in summer of 2008 and provides homeless youth (ages 18-21) a safe and stable environment while they work toward personal, financial and educational goals.

But with a new environment come new needs to support the facility the youth call home. Places to study, look for work, learn new skills, eat and sleep are modest; yet this environment is quite a step up from the streets or a shelter. The grateful youth look up to those who have supported them and know who these people are by the names they read around campus. Contributions in the range of \$25,000 to \$250,000 give donors the opportunity to place their family or corporate name in full view and are continually honored for their support.

For more information about contributions and name placements, contact Beth Koppelman at 602-651-1803 or at bethkoppelman@hbys.org.

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