

# Hope for Families Center

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A man walking along the ocean saw a mass of starfish on the beach. A woman picked up one at a time and tossing it back in the ocean. He said to her, “There are too many of them. What difference can you make?”

She picked up one more, tossed it into the sea and turned to him and said, “I made a difference to that one”

Joan and her mother and sisters make up one of our starfish (family). Your contribution will make a difference to them.



Dear Mr./Mrs. \_\_\_\_\_

Joan is living with her mother and sisters in an abandoned car. She's in bad shape – underweight, withdrawn and behind in school.

Your contribution will help move Joan and her family into the **Hope For Families Center**, where Joan's life will be changed for the better and as will her schoolwork. You will have tossed another starfish (family) back in the water to live and flourish.

Because of the contributions of caring people like you, the **Hope for Families Center** helps 21 families (starfish) at a time get back on their feet. Your gifts help house, feed and prepare family members to complete school, develop work skills, prepare for job interviews and rejoin the workforce. While the adult family members are preparing for jobs or working at jobs, your gift helps the HFC take care of their children.

You are the power behind HFC and HFC has come this far and been this successful only because of you. But to continue to help you toss starfish back in the water we need your ongoing support. And, as you know, things are not getting any less expensive. We recognize that there are many demands on your resources but we think, and believe that you do too, that tossing starfish back in the ocean is vital to your community.

You can toss a starfish back in the ocean by giving HFC \$25, \$50, \$100 or more. Your gift will help keep homeless families together and give them the dignity of becoming self sufficient and valuable members of your community. You will help your community become a better, kinder place to live.

It's easy to do. Call us now at (772) 567-5537 for credit card or bank check gifts or use the handy card below to send your gift. Whatever you give, we'll e-mail you a Starfish.

Grateful Regards

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Mary Ellen".

Mary Ellen Maguire, MSW, Executive Director

P.S. When YOU toss a starfish back in the ocean you make a huge difference to it. You put a family back on its feet so that it can contribute to your community. Win – Win – Win. .Good for you: good for them: good for the community.