

**FAMILIES WILL BE HOSTED AT
CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER:**

May 11 - 18, 2014

July 27 - August 3, 2014

October 12 -19, 2014

December 28, 2014 - January 4, 2015

**PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDAR AND MAKE A
COMMITMENT TO SERVE FAMILIES IN NEED.**

Approximately three weeks before each hosting week at The Redeemer, a volunteer sign-up chart will be available in the Parish House. You can also sign up online at: www.TheRedeemer.org/IHN.

**IHN-ML Volunteer
Sensitivity & Training Workshop**

Sue White-Herchek, Executive Director, IHN of the Main Line, leads a workshop the:

Second Saturday of each month
(except June, July & August)
10:30 am – 12 noon

For more information and to register, contact Sue White-Herchek 610-277-0977 or at suewherchek@verizon.net

IHN Host CONGREGATIONS

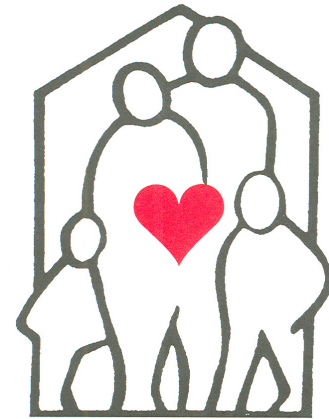
- ◆ Beth David Reform Congregation, Gladwyne
- ◆ Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church, Bryn Mawr
- ◆ Central Baptist Church, Wayne
- ◆ Church of the Redeemer, Bryn Mawr
- ◆ Main Line Unitarian Church, Devon
- ◆ Our Mother of Good Counsel, Bryn Mawr
- ◆ St. David's Episcopal Church, Radnor
- ◆ St. John Neumann, Bryn Mawr
- ◆ St. Mary's Episcopal Church, Ardmore
- ◆ St. Thomas of Villanova, Villanova
- ◆ Wayne Presbyterian Church, Wayne

For more information about IHN, visit the Interfaith Hospitality Network of the Main Line website at www.ihncares.org.

For more information about The Redeemer's involvement in IHN, visit www.TheRedeemer.org/IHN and contact our Parish Coordinator Mary Hopkins mhop1367@aol.com 610-722-0516

**INTERFAITH HOSPITALITY NETWORK
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Embrace, Inspire, Restore

**Together we have the power to end
homelessness in our community**


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WHAT IS IHN AND WHAT DOES IT DO?

IHN of the Main Line is one of 115 affiliates of Family Promise. IHN-Main Line is committed to breaking the cycle of homelessness by supporting temporarily homeless families while they work to regain self-sufficiency, stability, and self-esteem. The IHN-Main Line Day Center in Norristown serves as the home base for up to 14 people (3-4 families) who spend up to 90 days with IHN-Main Line.

The Center provides families with a mailing address and a phone number to aid in their search for housing, employment, and educational opportunities. Courses in life skills, money management, parenting, and preparation for high school equivalency examination are provided to adults. Older children attend public schools during the school year and summer programs in July and August.

Sue White-Herchek, Executive Director, is a professional case manager with experience as a grant writer for our IHN network. She provides each family with counseling and an individualized, goal-oriented program during their stay to maximize their opportunity for successful independence when they leave the program.

IHN-Main Line families have had an 83% success rate in maintaining their housing, budgeting skills, and employment for at least two years after leaving the network – a success rate that reflects the commitment of the families and IHN-Main Line volunteers.

See IHNCares.org for more information.

HOW CAN YOU HELP?

More than 50 volunteer opportunities representing more than 100 hours of responsibilities are available each host week. Come alone or bring a friend or family member and join others from The Redeemer in this ministry!

5:45-6:30 pm. Provide home cooked meals. Stay and dine, if you like.

6:00-8:30 pm. Come have dinner, visit with the adults, read to or play with the children.

8:00 pm- 7 am. Stay overnight. Comfortable inflatable beds are provided in a private room.

Shop for basic supplies, snacks, and lunch food. A list will be provided.

Help set up guest quarters. First Sunday, 11 am.

Help return guest quarters to their original arrangements. Second Sunday, 8:00 am.

After the guests leave, assist with laundering sheets and towels.

Donate: travel size toiletries, new or gently worn bath towels, twin sheets, fleece blankets.

HOW DOES IHN IDENTIFY AND SERVE FAMILIES IN NEED?

Families normally learn of IHN-Main Line through another agency. To be admitted to the program, they must meet certain requirements. No one with a serious criminal record, including domestic violence, is considered. The families must be willing to participate fully in the IHN-Main Line program, to work and earn a salary or attend school to improve their earning potential, and to abide by the IHN-Main Line rules – rules designed to promote responsibility and commitment to achieving stability and independence.

IHN-Main Line offers:

Temporary overnight accommodations, meals, and volunteer support for up to 120 days

Educational opportunities, employment training, and affordable housing searches to rebuild families' stability

A proven self-sufficiency model that includes one-on-one case management, classes and counseling on budgeting and parenting skills, personal therapy, GED certification, and higher educational training

***For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me.
Matthew 25:35***