

*Celebrating 10 years*

# Mary's Mantle

A Catholic Home For Expectant Mothers

2020  
ANNUAL REPORT





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## MISSION STATEMENT

Mary's Mantle is a Catholic residential program for homeless expectant women. We witness the love of Christ by promoting the dignity of life. We provide a safe, faith-based, and caring environment that supports the transition into motherhood, including extended aftercare for continued personal growth and integration into the community. We focus on the spiritual, emotional, physical, educational, and vocational well-being of mother and child.

# DECADE IN REVIEW

Mary's Mantle was founded ten years ago, when a homeless expectant mother came to a metro Detroit Catholic bookstore looking for help. Tragically, before stable housing could be located the mother terminated the pregnancy.

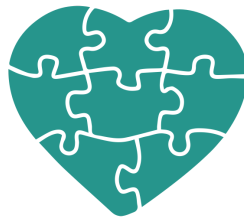
In response to this heartbreaking loss of life, the Lord provided a vision for a Catholic residential home for homeless expectant mothers. This mission beautifully wove together the pro-life and social justice charisms of our Catholic faith.

Over the past decade, Mary's Mantle has existed to provide spiritual, emotional, and physical development to help expectant women fully realize their potential as both mothers and children of God.

We are honored to share some of our key stepping stones.



*Opened our first residential home in a rental property, owned by a Catholic family who had an amazing heart for the pro-life movement.*



*Expanded our ministry to After Care, helping to continue our support of mothers after their time in the residential program.*



*Celebrated the gift of life, as well as baptisms, and confirmations in the Catholic faith*



*Raised the funding and purchased a larger home and properly equipped it for the ministry's daily functions*



*Established a stable framework of resources to support the spiritual, emotional, and life-skill development for residents.*



*Recognized as an official Apostolate of the Archdiocese of Detroit.*

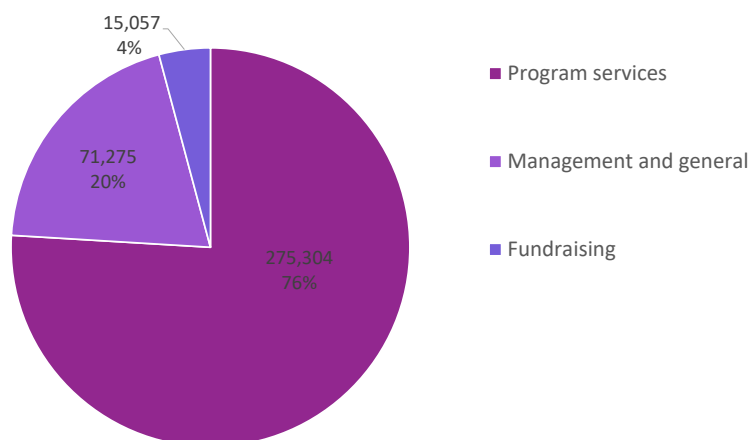
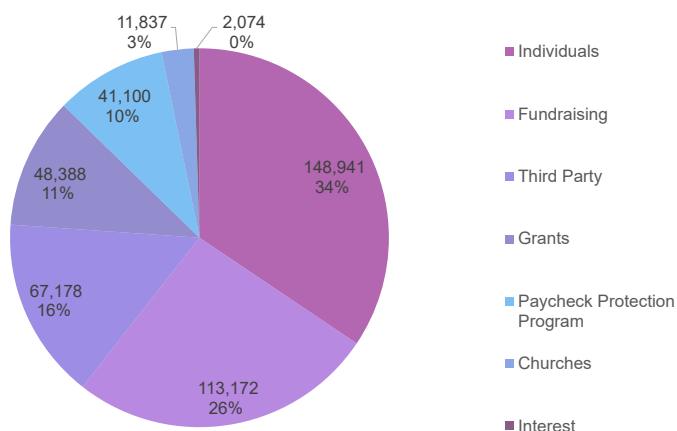
81 *Women served in the residential program since 2010*

We thank the Lord each day for the tremendous blessings, trials, and tribulations the staff and board of Mary's Mantle experience as we seek to serve the mothers and babies that enter under the mantle of our doors with the love of Christ.

Jesus teaches us that "it is more blessed to give than to receive." And yet, we receive so much as we walk this journey of service. We are blessed to unite with the heart of our Lord on this path.

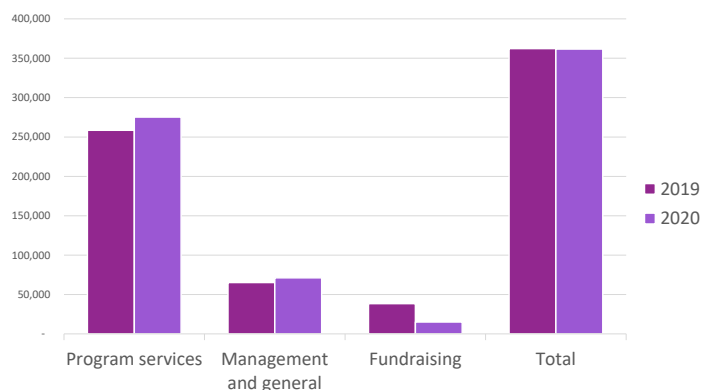
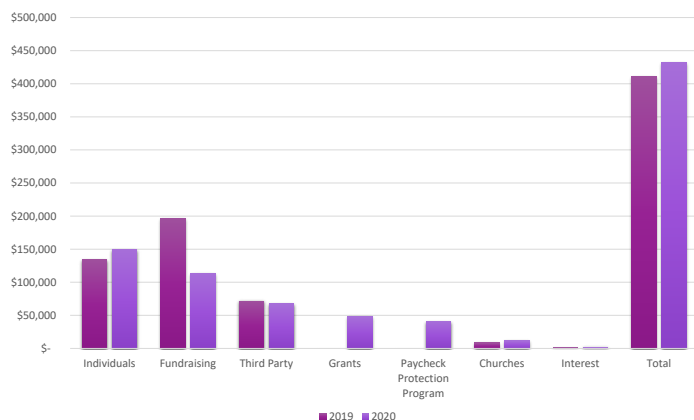
# FINANCIAL SUMMARY

## 2020 Support and Revenue \$432,690



## 2020 Total Expenses \$361,636

## Support and Revenue 2019 and 2020



## Total Expenses 2019 and 2020

## Statement of Financial Position

	2020	2019
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 509,938	\$ 437,745
Property and equipment, net	227,237	234,577
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$ 737,175</b>	<b>\$ 672,322</b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS</b>		
Mortgage payable	\$ 142,581	\$ 148,769
Payroll taxes	7,666	7,679
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>150,247</b>	<b>156,448</b>
<b>Unrestricted Net Assets</b>		
Beginning balance	\$ 515,874	\$ 466,857
Revenue over Expenses	71,054	49,017
Ending Balance	586,928	515,874
<b>Total Liabilities and Net Assets</b>	<b>\$ 737,175</b>	<b>\$ 672,322</b>



# 2020 GRANTS AT MARY'S MANTLE

2020 brought many changes to our ministry, especially regarding special events. Historically, these events have been a primary form of fundraising for Mary's Mantle, and our team was charged with finding new sources of funding. Despite the many challenges the ministry faced, we saw an opportunity for growth in grant writing. Mary's Mantle was awarded 3 grants in 2020, totaling more than \$58,000 in grant income for 2020.

## OAKLAND COUNTY COVID-19 RELIEF

In July 2020, Mary's Mantle received a grant from the Oakland County COVID Relief fund. With this grant, we were able to support staffing costs, make crucial technology upgrades for staff, replace carpet in two resident bedrooms, and purchase PPE and cleaning supplies for the ministry.



Catholic Foundation  
of Michigan



## CATHOLIC FOUNDATION OF MICHIGAN

In November 2020, Mary's Mantle received a grant to support remote programming for our residents. Due to COVID-19, nearly all the programming offered to the residents moved remotely. Visits with county nurses, parenting classes, therapy, ALPHA, and school all moved online. This change quickly highlighted the need for improved technology in our ministry. This grant allowed Mary's Mantle to purchase four laptops and other critical items to support residents in meeting their goals during COVID-19 and beyond.

## COMERICA BANK

In December 2020, Mary's Mantle was awarded a grant from Comerica Bank to make some necessary home improvements. With funds from the grant, we were able to update the kitchen flooring, replace kitchen appliances that were breaking down, and make updates to the resident's bedrooms. These improvements helped Mary's Mantle continue to provide a warm and welcoming environment for the moms in our program. This revenue and expenses will be reflected in the 2021 financials.

## WITH SINCERE GRATITUDE TO OUR CIRCLE OF HOPE DONORS

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# LOOKING AHEAD

For more than a decade, Mary's Mantle has been committed to helping our moms break the chains of poverty, and finding within themselves the courage, strength, and confidence to forge a new life journey as they embark on motherhood.

With prayerful discernment of the opportunities that illuminate our horizon, we set our focus on the concept of continuum of care. Our objective is a renewed commitment that acknowledges the fact that it takes at least three years to minimally sever the chains of generational poverty.

Our goal is to always be transparent with our supporters. In that vein, it is important to recognize that this is a pause from our former goal to expand the brick-and-mortar of the residential program to serve more women. During the recent past, we have seen an increase in vacancies across other residential programs in the greater Detroit metropolitan area. This has given us reason to course-correct while we determine if this is a sustained trend, or a temporary reflection of the pandemic.

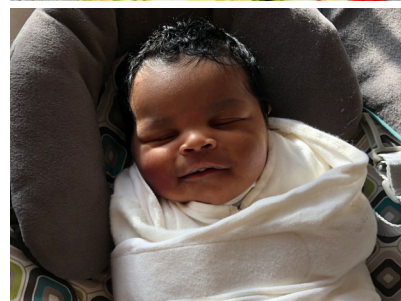
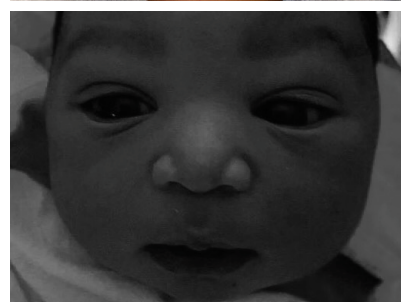
Our top priority is always to deliver residential care to women as they navigate through their crisis pregnancy. However, we also want to place more emphasis on encouraging and helping these mothers understand, desire, and make long-term commitments to life changes. For those residents ready to make this commitment, this is where the concept of continuum of care takes root.

Therefore, our energies in the future will also focus on partner collaboration. This means that we will leverage the unique strengths of our partners to help build and deliver more directed programming to assist the mothers and their children as they transition from our residential ministry through the critical next three years.

As we continue to lead with our strengths in serving women in crisis pregnancies, we believe an elevation of the post-residential experience is critical, focusing on next-step housing (which, in fact, could resemble a brick and mortar expansion), community integration, continued faith-based growth, targeted education, and job readiness and placement. Complimenting this strategy will be the introduction of a Director of Services. This role is designed to increase the focus on resident experiences at Mary's Mantle, as well as our relationship with new partners.

As we keep a watchful eye on the local demographic trends of residential program demand, we will concentrate on intensifying this continuum of care for our residents during those critical first three years. We look forward to sharing this growth with you, our benefactors, as we continue this exciting adventure of making the difference by illuminating the God-given dignity of every mother, especially those who enter the doors of our ministry.

*RIGHT: The six beautiful babies we welcomed at Mary's Mantle in 2020.*



# MARY'S MANTLE WELCOMES FR. JOHN



Mary's Mantle welcomed Archdiocese of Detroit's appointment of Fr. John McKenzie as the new Mary's Mantle Board of Director Chaplain in 2020.

Fr. John McKenzie is currently an associate pastor at the National Shrine of the Little Flower Basilica in Royal Oak where he applies his pastoral passions of servicing the Hispanic community, ministry with the marginalized, youth and young adult and urban and suburban communities. Father John's endearing personality has roots starting locally in Dearborn

at Our Lady of Grace and had stops in St. Louis with his family before his conversion experience in 2003. After completing a two year program in Rome he entered the Benedictine Community in Norcia, Italy. His next adventure was studying Philosophy and Formation at Conception Abbey and Seminary College in Missouri. In 2016 Father John entered the Sacred Heart Major Seminary and received ordination in 2019. During this period he served the parishes of; St. Louise de Marillac (Warren), Corpus Christi (Detroit) and Our Lady of Refuge (Orchard Lake).

Father John's passion and experience with the urban and suburban communities brings an especially valuable gift to our ministry that beautifully aligns to the residents that we serve. His energy around the dignity of life and ability to create sincere connections with Mary's Mantle residents and staff has been fully evident in his interactions with the ministry to date. In addition to his pastoral gifts Father John's experience in marketing, social media and donor development will be a great asset on the Board of Directors.

Mary's Mantle is greatly blessed to have him.

## 2020 BY THE NUMBERS

100%

safe deliveries, with 83% of babies born after 37 weeks, requiring no extended hospital stays

6

babies born in 2020

501

volunteer hours, 282 of which were completed by an Eagle Scout to reconstruct a resident bedroom and add more storage

82

phone calls received from women in need of housing support

64

home/virtual visits with past residents

86%

moms who completed the residential program and secured stable housing after leaving Mary's Mantle

10 + 14

moms children served in After Care





## A LOOK BACK ON 2020

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2020 looked a lot different, but God continued to provide for us.

Throughout 2020, our primary goal was to keep the moms, babies, and staff at Mary's Mantle safe. Every decision was made with that objective at the forefront. Through a lot of hard work (cleaning, social distancing, program changes), we accomplished that goal. Mary's Mantle welcomed six babies safely into the home, with countless medical visits before and after birth, and the ministry never had a COVID-19 diagnosis within the home.

Despite the challenges of 2020, six moms secured stable housing, three moms became employed full-time, two moms obtained part-time employment, one mom passed her GED exam, and two moms purchased their own cars. Through our own programs and our community partners, Mary's Mantle provided countless classes and opportunities for moms to grow

spiritually, become more financially stable, and gain parenting and life skills.

While the scope of the After Care program changed (less face-to-face contact during COVID), we continued to provide support for former residents. Mary's Mantle had socially distant outdoor home visits, dropped off necessary supplies, provided community resources and, through generous donors, was able to provide Christmas gifts for 23 past moms and their children.

Mary's Mantle had to cancel, or drastically change, our fundraising events. Despite this challenge, we continued to be blessed through grants, virtual events, and individual donors.

It was truly a year like no other and we look forward to returning back to "normal" soon. We maintain our trust in God as He works ceaselessly in and through the ministry.