

HOPE 4 Youth Feb Board Update

Happy 2026!!!!

HOT topics on the horizon...

- **Building HOPE Project** – We continue to serve youth today while planning for our new Blaine facility. Please see a few highlights related to our work looking forward.
 - ✓ We are in the final stages of design development with LSE for the Blaine facility. We presented the bubble drawing with the team and the reality of next year of almost sobering – everyone is excited.
 - ✓ We continue to bring modifications and requests to the City of Blaine for pre-approval. Our relationship there continues to be strong.
 - ✓ DEED partnership continues to go exceptionally well. Considering the state scrutiny from the federal government and contract partners, H4Y is still strong in our transparent partnership.
 - ✓ We should have the predesign packet sent to the State Architect by the end of the month.
 - ✓ Once predesign is approved at the state level, I will present the plan to the Legislative Committee for final approval of the project moving forward with construction.
 - ✓ We have begun the outreach process for Mission Expansion asks related to our Building HOPE Project. I am excited to share updates at the March board meeting.
- **Strategic Planning Process** – The Strategic Steering Committee began our preliminary work supporting our 2027-2029 Strategic Planning Process. I needed to request a pause until Q2 to move forward with Thought Leader/SME interviews. While the timetable is pushed out, we are still good with pre-retreat planning.
- **Where we need you** - Please help amplify our 2026 [A Night 4 HOPE](#) !
 1. Join us for our most impressive event to date. Table are going FAST – register NOW!
 2. Consider helping us with a Board donation item – Anna is organizing this for us.
 3. Consider donating a silent auction item yourself or from your company.
 4. Share A Night 4 HOPE on your social media.



JOIN US FOR AN INSPIRING & EXCITING
EVENING OF BUILDING HOPE!

SATURDAY, APRIL 11TH
BUNKER HILLS EVENT CENTER 5 - 10 PM

HOW CAN YOU SUPPORT?

- AUCTION ITEMS/BASKETS
- BOARD DONATED ITEM
- PURCHASE YOUR TICKETS & INVITE YOUR NETWORK
- SHARE AN A NIGHT 4 HOPE SOCIAL MEDIA POSTS

✚ **Advancement updates** – Please share with your networks our [2025 Annual Impact Report](#)! It is located on our website for future outreach. Please continue to reach out to Mark with recommendations of new or gap partners for annual support and LaChelle for potential Building HOPE Project partners.

✚ **Program progress** – As you review our 2025 results, you will see we saw a 35% increase in youth visiting us over 2024. We have a goal of 900 served youth in 2026. Mark and Mica will be presenting our 2025 results at our March board meeting. Little teaser... all outcomes have improved over the year prior.

✚ **Administrative connections** – We have fully converted to our new IT service team at MACC. They provide greater service at a reduced price – a win-win for H4Y! We are neck deep in our 2025 audit. Next week is our on-site review with Abdo Solutions, but all in all things are going great! We anticipate another fully clean audit.

With this, we wish you a warm start to Spring! See you at our
March Board Meeting!

In gratitude, LaChelle