

## **FAMILY HARBOR HOUSE HAPPENINGS**

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Thank you for your interest in Midcoast Maine Homeless Coalition's transitional housing project--Family Harbor House. This is our first newsletter via email. You are receiving it because you've expressed interest in, or are already involved with, this exciting project. We hope you would like to receive more newsletters in the future. (If not, just drop a line back in reply.)

Right now, we have heartening financial news to share. Some of us have begun learning about grant writing, and with some success! We recently received a \$25,000 grant from the Windover Foundation. We have several other grant applications under consideration. We also received two gifts. The Belfast Methodist Church has kindly given us \$5000. And an anonymous donor contributed a very generous \$20,000 to our endeavor. We deeply appreciate all this support.

As many of you are aware, construction adaptations are needed at Family Harbor House before it can open. These adaptations include erecting two walls. One wall will ensure that each family has one private room, and the other wall will separate Family Harbor House from the rest of the church basement. We will also be installing two showers, a stove, a washer and a dryer. We are hopeful that this building process will start in mid-July.

Many of you have expressed interest in volunteer opportunities once the housing unit is up and running. The UU Church now has volunteer coordinators, and they are starting to put together our first team to work at Family Harbor House.

There will be more updates to come. Thank you again for your interest and support!

- Family Harbor House Team

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Please see the MMHC website for more information about Family Harbor House:

<https://midcoast-maine-homeless-coalition.org/>