

# 2025 Quarterly Newsletter

## *A message from Zoe's House Director of Social Services*

In 2025, we're filled with hope as we reflect on the meaningful work accomplished at Zoe's House in 2024. The impact extended far beyond numbers.

One of the more unique moments of 2024 was supporting a family adopting a child with significant special needs. We are helping them access crucial state assistance to ensure he will have the care and resources he will need throughout his life.

We have also built up our *Another Way Home Program* to be in a place where we genuinely feel prepared to train and support adoptive families who are ready to welcome children who have experienced trauma. Additionally, the *Another Way Home Program* has been partnering with a local church to help support their foster and adoption efforts.

As of April, we have had three adoption placements, one finalization from a 2024 placement (of twins!), and are currently working with four expecting mothers to support them in the process of choosing the life they desire for their baby. Please join us in praying for these sweet mamas and babies to experience the love of Christ and be connected to any resources they need to set them up for success!

**None of these efforts and stories would be possible without your support! It is such a joy getting to serve each and every one of our expectant parents and adoptive families. Thank you for your generosity!**

Blessings,

*Elizabeth Potter* Director of Social Services

### *Planting seeds*

HOW YOUR SUPPORT GROWS IMPACT



#### THE SEED: YOUR DONATION

Each dollar given plants seeds of hope for expectant mothers, adoptive families, and children in crisis through our programs and resources.

#### ROOTS: STRONG FOUNDATIONS

Your support strengthens our foundation—adoptive family preparation, infrastructure, and adoption and foster care education initiatives.



#### NEW GROWTH: EXPANDING REACH

Monthly support provides the stability and means to expand our services, launch new programs, and open our doors to more women, children, & families.

# Exciting Updates!

## Finalization of twins

In late 2024, we helped a previous Zoe's House adoptive family with an unusual and unexpected pop-up adoption: twins born in Las Vegas. Through a series of twists and turns, we reached out to the same social worker who helped with the adoption of Zoe Bohlender (the original ZH Baby!) 18 years ago. Look out for our postcard for the whole exciting story!

## Pop-up adoption in Missouri

A "pop-up adoption" is when a hospital or birth mom calls our agency to say a baby has been born and the birth mom has chosen to make an adoption plan. In March, we had one such call. A previous ZH birth mom found herself with a difficult choice to make for her new baby, and she decided to turn to us once again. We honor her for her brave and loving choice. She chose life for her child, and for that, we call her a hero. This sweet baby had to spend some time in the NICU and our staff had the pleasure of taking shifts to hold her. These are precious opportunities for our team to love on these little ones, and we feel the support of each Zoe's House partner in the room with us. You are part of her story!

## Golf For Life Tournament

We are excited for our upcoming 5<sup>th</sup> annual Golf For Life Tournament! Come out and join us June 9<sup>th</sup> for a day of fun prizes (including a Volvo!), good food, and great golf, all for a worthy cause. **Scan the QR code to register or go to:**

[www.givebutter.com/25golf](http://www.givebutter.com/25golf)

*Scan to play!*



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*Zoe's House*