

#### September 2020

# GOD IS ON THE MOVE AT SON VALLEY YOUTH RANCH!

#### **Building a Legacy at Son Valley Youth Ranch**

Legacy Housing Project, a network of housing projects for aged-out foster young women around the nation, is partnering with the Ranch to provide "A Home for EveryOne." God has led them, and now Son Valley Youth Ranch, to focus on young women who age out of the foster care system. SVYR offers housing, Christian mentorship, and education as a platform to help launch women into a fulfilling life.

Two bedrooms were filled at the Ranch this past summer and, because of the high demand, more spaces are needed. As a result, two cabins are being built with four units, with construction dates set for Oct. 1-9. World Mission Builders is sending a volunteer work group of 25-30 people. A Christian young men's group from Western Illinois University is also sending volunteers to help with the construction.



Area families will open their homes to the workers to provide sleeping and

showering arrangements. SVYR, through donations from supporters and local churches, will provide all meals, drinks, and snacks.

What Son Valley Youth Ranch and Legacy Housing Project are doing is no small undertaking. Even with donations of time, materials, and discounts, the estimated cost is \$120,000. Construction officially started on Wednesday, Aug. 26 with Bash's Tree Service clearing the area where the cabins and septic will be built. Heimer Construction Company of Taylor, Mo., designed the cabins' blueprint and architectural picture. During the week of Sept. 8, the concrete floors will be poured by Mark Stokke from LaHarpe, Ill., with Vince Green of Green

Construction and Plumbing, from Wyaconda, Mo., providing plumbing installation. Mike Walker, from Canton will install electric service to the cabins.

The aged-out foster women housing, which includes septic and a pole barn for storage, needs help to make this all a reality. The Ranch has nearly 700 people on Facebook following them and many others who have offered support for this mission. With help, SVYR will not only meet the housing goal, but will together restore the legacies of foster youth for generations. This is truly world changing, life restoring, essential work.

"The Lord Jesus Christ is on the move in our city, our state, and our great nation and we are thrilled to witness His Kingdom on Earth!" exclaimed Dona. "God is opening doors and hope for our future and the future of the women who will live at the Ranch. It is a great time in our nation to see people coming together doing Kingdom work. Glory be to God!"

Son Valley Youth Ranch, located 15 miles north of Canton, MO, is a non-denominational Christian mission, non-profit, and dependent on prayers, financial support and volunteer help. SVYR is a 501(c)3 organization and all donations can be tax deductible. Dona asks individuals, churches and organizations to help by calling her at 217-440-1032, messaging SVYR on Facebook, or emailing <a href="mailto:sonvalleyyouthranch@gmail.com">sonvalleyyouthranch@gmail.com</a>. Donations can be made online at <a href="mailto:http://sonvalleyyouthranch.org/donate">http://sonvalleyyouthranch.org/donate</a> or mailed to: 31274 County Rd. 320 Canton, Mo 63435.



### Support Dinner for Legacy Housing Project ~ Nov. 15

Legacy Housing co-founders, Rich and Brandi Tidwell, endeavor to provide "a home for everyone" of the 25,000 children aging out of foster care annually in the United States. Legacy Housing is a three-fold ministry. It offers free quality housing for at-risk aged-out foster youth in order to prevent homelessness, hunger, and sex trafficking. Mentorship through Legacy Housing includes development of life skills, such as relationship building, money management, and nutritional training in order to promote positive relationships, financial success, and physical wellbeing. And finally, post-high school education is

provided through state college enrollment and biblical studies in order to promote discipline, literacy, employment advantages, and spiritual growth when transitioning into adult life. Legacy Housing is a non-profit organization focused on changing lives and restoring legacies forever.

Son Valley Youth Ranch is sponsoring a support dinner for Legacy Housing Project on November 15, at The Atrium Hotel on Third, in Quincy, IL. For information on this event, or to donate to Legacy Housing, contact Dona by calling 217-440-1032, or email sonvalleyyouthranch@gmail.com.

Stay informed of SVYR's events through "Son Valley Youth Ranch" on Facebook or by visiting <a href="http://sonvalleyyouthranch.org">http://sonvalleyyouthranch.org</a>.

## 10th Annual Harvest Hoedown

(Fundraiser)

Sunday, October 11th ~ 12pm - 5pm



2020 Legacy Housing Project
Ribbon Cutting Ceremony at 1:30pm

Tour the new cabins for girls aged-out of foster care.

Design by Heimer Construction ~ Taylor, MO

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Live Music by
Jefferson Connection



Corn Hole Toss
Pluck a Duck
Hay Toss Tournament
Carrot Race
Horse Rides
...and much more!

Son Valley Youth Ranch features children and youth programs, using rescued horses, to share the love of Jesus with the tristate community. We want children, teens, and adults who come here to find a peaceful place to enjoy God's creation.