



## LETTER FROM THE DIRECTOR

Dear Friends,

Spring is upon us, and it is great to see families at play! We are blessed that families experiencing homelessness can do this together at Ozanam Family Shelter, because of the support from friends like you. Thanks to your



JoAnna Beck and her husband, Matt, enjoy a night out at Mardi Gras Madness.

generous gifts, we recently installed much needed security upgrades at the shelter, including a 24/7 locked door system. Thank you for keeping our residents and staff safe.

As I embark on my third year leading Ozanam, I am reminded every day of the impact we make in the community and for our residents. In 2021, we provided emergency shelter for more than 500 clients and assisted 175 families. "I just got a three-bedroom house for my children and me. Thank you so much for helping me!" This was shared by a recent client and reminds us of the continuous need for the services Ozanam provides and success that every client has the potential to achieve.

I would like to take this opportunity to wholeheartedly thank the wonderful, talented, and hardworking Ozanam employees who help make it possible for our clients experiencing homelessness to secure long-term housing.

Thank you for your continued support, prayers, and well wishes. I am looking forward to another year of continued growth for Ozanam in partnership with all of you!

Easter Blessings,

JoAnna Beck, Executive Director

We invite you to support  
Ozanam Family Shelter at



**Sunday, May 22, 2022**

**1:00 pm**

**Bally's Evansville  
Evansville Riverfront**

Corporate sponsors, donors and individual walkers are needed to help us reach our goal. Help Ozanam raise \$25,000 + and your donation can go even further with a matching gift opportunity.

Return your sponsorship in the enclosed envelope. Please note "Walking for Dreams".

For more information  
Contact Ozanam Family Shelter  
812-422-2214  
[www.walkingfordreams.org](http://www.walkingfordreams.org)



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JoAnna Beck, *Executive Director*  
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### OUR MISSION

The Ozanam Family Shelter provides a safe emergency space for families to stay together while offering services and resources to help secure long-term housing solutions.

### WHO WE ARE

Ozanam is a unique emergency shelter in Evansville that houses families and single women. We can service up to 18 families and 4 single women under one roof. We provide safe, quality space, prepared meals, laundry facilities, and support services. We rely on financial and volunteer support from our local community to maintain the ability to keep families together while they work to rebuild their resources and explore housing options.

### WE PROVIDE

24-hour Shelter  
Case Management  
3 Balanced Meals Daily  
2 Snacks Daily  
Personal Hygiene Items  
Laundry Facilities  
Social Service Resources  
Employment Referrals  
Permanent Housing Plans  
Financial Counseling  
Bus Tokens



Funding for Ozanam Family Shelter is provided, in part, by Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) Funds, through the City of Evansville's Department of Metropolitan Development and the Indiana Housing and Community Development Authority.

**THANK YOU TO OUR DONORS, VOLUNTEERS, SUPPORTERS, AND STAFF WHO ENABLE US TO SERVE THE COMMUNITY.**

## How Did You Help Us?

IN 2021  
WE HOUSED OVER  
500 INDIVIDUALS  
AND  
175 FAMILIES



Giving people a safe place to live during a time of homelessness.



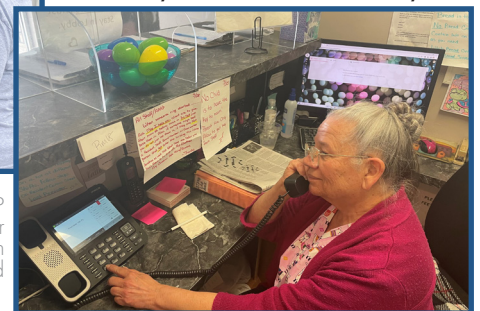
WE ALSO SERVED OVER  
15,000 MEALS

### SHELTER IMPROVEMENTS MAKE A HOUSE A HOME

**We are excited to announce** Ozanam recently updated the security system. We can now have our doors stay locked 24 hours a day with our new doorbell and phone system. We still welcome your visit to Ozanam to drop off donations and volunteer. Please just ring the bell and one of our wonderful team members will let you in and assist you.



Joyce Smith, Ozanam's AARP receptionist, let's Shelter Manager, Asia Higgins, in through the new security and phone system.



**Thank you to the Ladies of Charity** for their generous donation of a reach-in cooler for our kitchen. The outdated unit quit working last summer and the Ladies of Charity came to the rescue - we are extremely grateful for their generosity. Ozanam serves three meals and two snacks daily to all residents. The new cooler is such a blessing to have in our kitchen!

Ladies of Charity representative, Connie Gries, presents a check for the purchase of the new commercial refrigerator to JoAnna Beck, Executive Director.





# Mardi Gras Madness IS A GREAT SUCCESS!



Auction emcee, Greg Schultheis, and Board Member, Jenny Howard, share a smile.



Well dressed guests at the 2022 Mardi Gras Madness

Ozanam Family Shelter was excited to host its annual dinner and auction fundraiser, Mardi Gras Madness, on February 26, 2022.

Presented by Express Powder Coating and Old National Bank, the event raised more than \$89,000 to support Ozanam's mission.

Nearly 300 guests attended the event which included a silent auction, live auction, half pot drawing, dessert auction, mystery gift bags, heads & tails game and great music. Special thanks go to all who attended and to our generous sponsors, donors and volunteers who contributed to the tremendous success of the fundraiser. Plans for the 2023 event are already underway. Watch for more details!

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## VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT



Longtime friends **Eileen Higdon** and **Terri Chamberlain** are two volunteers ready to roll up their sleeves and make some meals!

Both ladies have recently begun volunteering their time to cook for the residents of Ozanam. Eileen recently retired from DiLegge's Restaurant and Smith Barney, and Terri has retired from the Evansville Vanderburgh School Corporation. Both have raised their families in Evansville and are thankful for the opportunity to give back.

Eileen shared, "We really enjoyed cooking for the shelter. Everyone at Ozanam was so nice, kind, and appreciative."

**WE APPRECIATE OUR VOLUNTEERS!**

Check out our website  
[ozanamfamilyshelter.org](http://ozanamfamilyshelter.org)

## LOOKING FOR A WAY TO HELP?

Visit our Amazon wishlist!  
<https://bit.ly/ozanamwishlist>

### OZANAM is in constant need of:

- Paper towels
- Toilet paper
- Canned fruit/Canned Vegetables (no beans)
- Laundry detergent
- Deodorant
- Shampoo and conditioner
- Bodywash and bar soap
- Towels and washcloths (new or gently used)
- Pillows
- Twin and Full size sheets and blankets (new or gently used)
- Pinesol/Fabuloso or mopping solution



Items can be dropped at the Shelter,  
or call to arrange for pick up!