

JOURNEYS | The Road Home is pleased to announce the Ninth Annual Garden of Giving Women's Luncheon **on Wednesday, April 26, 2023,** at the Rolling Green Country Club in Arlington Heights.

In 2022, 256 of JOURNEYS clients were women and 203 were children. Put together, that 459 people who received HOPE Center services, including but not limited to meals, food pantry, clothing, showers, and laundry services. JOURNEYS Case Managers provided 112 School System Advocacy Services. Case Managers work with the children's school to waive school fees including lunches, before and after school care programs, arranging transportation, or gas reimbursement for the parents.

It is our challenge to move every child and their family out of homelessness as soon as possible and this event helps us move closer to that goal. **Please partner with us to meet this challenge.** Read on to the next page to read a real story of JOURNEYS' client, Jenny, a mother of three who was experiencing homelessness.

Guests will enjoy a beautiful garden luncheon at Rolling Green Country Club.

JOURNEYS is looking for your support as a local business to assist with silent auction and/or sponsorship. Further information regarding sponsorships and raffle items can be found on the form attached. Please refer to the theme's suggestion page for ideas for donation items.

Sponsorships and/or raffle items need to be confirmed by Monday, April 10, 2023. If you have any further questions, contact JOURNEYS Event Coordinator Tara Kelly at (847) 963-9163 ext. 126.

We thank you in advance for your support.

Kindest regards,

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Jenny\* came to us in October, fleeing domestic violence. She was **living in her car** and found a **temporary place with friends for her three children**.

Our first goal was to **reunite her with her children in a safe place**, and once a hotel room opened, the family was reunited. We then focused on providing **support for her recent trauma** from the violence she endured and also supported her in **finding a job**.

**Jenny was extremely resilient**, and with JOURNEYS' support, she was able to find a part-time job very quickly. She was able to **save money** during the second half of October and all of November. That, coupled with **not having to worry about her children's safety** and school attendance, put her in a state of mind where she could **plan for the future**.

By the end of December, Jenny and her children **moved into their own place** and no longer needed JOURNEYS' shelter. We continue to provide case management as needed and are excited for her **family's future**.

It is because of people and organizations in our community that Jenny's success is possible. We hope you will be inspired to support JOURNEYS' work to help our clients to uplift themselves to be independent and empowered in their lives.

\*Name has been changed.

## **SPONSORSHIP & DONATION FORM**



Your support will benefit JOURNEYS' services to those that are homeless and the growing number of those at risk of becoming homeless. JOURNEYS provides over 60 supportive programs and services to those in need. We exist mainly through the generous support of businesses and individuals like you.

## **Sponsorship Opportunities**

SPONSORSHIP MUST BE RECEIVED BY MONDAY, APRIL 10th

	Rose Sponsor \$3,000	Sunflower Sponsor \$2,000	Tulip Sponsor \$1,000	Daisy Supporter \$500
<b>Luncheon Tickets</b>	2			
Pre/Post Event Publicity	X	X		
Recognition at Podium	Х	X	X	
Recognition on Website	X	X	X	X
Recognition on Event Signage	Х	X	X	Х

## **Raffle Opportunity**

Auction items due to JOURNEYS | The Road Home at 1140 E Northwest Highway in Palatine by Wednesday, April 19, 2023

Auction Item(s)		
Description		
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Contact Information:		
Company Name:	Name:	
Address:	City/State/Zip:	
Phone:	Email:	
Sponsor Billing Information:		
Card Number:		
Exp. Date:	CVV: Signature:	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •





## Basket Themes & Suggested Items- Garden of Giving Women's Luncheon on April 19, 2023

<u>Baking</u>- Bakeware, utensils, cookie cutters, cookbooks, apron, serving dishes, spices, and ingredients

<u>BBQ</u>- BBQ tools, sauces, spices, rubs, cookbooks, oven mitts, apron, outdoor serving dishes, and table linens

Entertainment- Assorted restaurant, theater, and comedy club gift certificates

<u>Family Entertainment</u>- Assorted movies & snacks, movie tickets, bowling, museum certificates, board & card games

<u>Garden</u>- Planters, tools, gloves, hats, kneeling pad, garden markers, garden decorations, birdhouses or feeders

<u>Golf basket</u> – golf certificates, golf apparel, golf balls

Spa basket - hair products, skin care, makeup, spa & salon services

Sports Teams- Any Chicago sports team related items or tickets

<u>Wine</u>- Assorted wines, wine glasses, decanter, bottle topper, glass markers, crackers, wine books, aerator, and corkscrew