



Lighthouse News

Lighthouse Women and Children's Mission

CHANGING LIVES FOR GOOD IS OUR ONLY BUSINESS

From Transient to Tranquil



Tea Anyone?

It's easy for an individual to see how they can impact the lives of women and children through volunteering. But what can a busy business owner do?

On Candra Coogan's website for Tranquility Baking Company, she states, *"Tranquility Baking Company was created in order to help support a special recovery program for homeless Moms. The Lighthouse Women and Children's Mission located in Oxnard, California. We currently donate 10% of all sales, as well as baked goods and tea parties for their special occasions. Thank you so much for helping homeless Moms through your purchases."*

When Candra was asked how she connected with the Lighthouse, she told us, "It was a God thing. I was looking to start my business and wanted to partner with a ministry that made a difference. I saw a story in the paper about the Lighthouse, went and saw the ministry, and the rest is history. Partnering with the Lighthouse is foundational for us,

God created me to bake; it's what works for me and what I enjoy. Partnering with the Lighthouse gives what I do a higher purpose. It grounds what I do and makes it right for me."

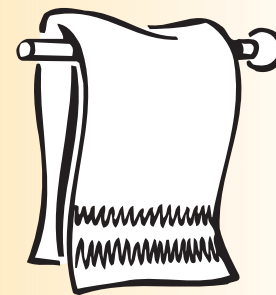
Tranquility Baking and the Lighthouse are looking at a more active partnership in the future. Tranquility Baking will be one of the first businesses we partner with as a potential employer for our program graduates. If you want to learn more about Tranquility Baking, check out their website at tranquilitybaking.com.

You, the Company You Keep, and the Company You Work for Can All Make a Difference!

Donors make a huge difference each day. Corporate donors also make a huge difference! If you sit in our Emergency Shelter living room, you will be sitting on furniture donated by DHC Toyota. If you are eating pizza, it's probably from Village Pizza in Camarillo. If you are eating at our continental breakfast, you are probably eating Starbucks pastries. If you helped wrap Christmas gifts this year, you were wrapping gifts donated by Los Robles Hospital and Nike. If you have a Verizon phone, you are paying your phone bill to a company who gave us a grant to open our Live, Learn and Thrive Computer Education and Employment Center. A huge thank you to all of our wonderful corporate donors!

NEEDS LISTS

- Paper Plates
- Plastic Utensils
- Paper Towels
- Shampoo
- Coffee
- Bedding (*twin size*)
- Towels
(*bath & washcloths*)
- Pillows
- Deodorant
- Toilet Paper



WISH LIST NEEDS:

- Under Bed Storage Containers
- Tables and chairs for our dining rooms
- Curriculum Materials—please call us for details!

Not a cross but...

Wow, they finally moved me out of that storage room into this office in a nice, new building. I was wondering what kind of owner I'd have, the last one used to set drinks on me without a coaster and slam his fist down on me all the time. One day this lady walked in, came up to me, and was so glad to see me. You'd have thought she'd never had a desk before.

She stroked the top of me, gently pulled out my drawers, and was so kind. I heard someone call her Tina. She's been my owner for two months now and I never tire of her telling the girls who come in her office about how God has touched her life.

Tina amazes me. I thought it was hard to be emptied out, shipped off to storage, and finally sent here. She's been through so much more! Just before she moved into the office where I am, she was in the hospital. She knew she was sick when her fiancé fell and was seriously hurt, but didn't do anything about being sick because she had to be strong for her fiancé and kids. When she finally got to the doctor, she



had a cyst that was as big as a basketball and the doctors thought it was cancer. Even a desk knows how scary that is. People gather around us desks and talk in whispers when it comes to "cancer."

She tells the girls that she was worried, but knew God would take care of her. And, if it was her time to be with God, He would take care of her fiancé and kids. Then she shares the good stuff. They operated, did lots of different biopsies, and when everything came back, it was all clean and cancer free. She tells everyone it was a miracle from God. She tells her co-workers how glad she is to be back at work. No wonder she loves me so much and treats me so well!

Isn't it great? I was just a tree and scrap metal, and while I can't say I could be used for anything as glorious and a cross and nails, I still play a role in sharing God's love every day. No one here speaks desk so they don't know that I feel like the women who come here. I worked at a nice office before, but here is where I've found true fulfillment! I get to be a part of sharing about the Lord and I have a great purpose in life now I never had before. I'm so glad my old boss decided to send me to the Lighthouse!

Tina graduated from our program a year and half ago. We hired her to work at the Lighthouse just after her graduation.

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