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## **Dubuque Kiwanis Club Awards \$7,500 Grant!**

**DUBUQUE (April 11, 2022)** – Opening Doors was honored to receive a \$7,500 grant from the Dubuque Kiwanis Club!

This multi-faceted award includes a transportation fund, summer and fall outings for our residents, a fund for making birthdays and holidays special, and new shoes and coats for the upcoming school year. The grant also includes a \$1,500 sponsorship for Opening Doors' new "Filling Your Cup" event happening on June 30.

"This grant will directly impact the families we serve," said Ann Lorenz, Development & Marketing Director. "These funds will help our residents overcome barriers like transportation and it will completely cover our annual summer trip to Coconut Cove and fall outing to Vesperman Farms! Most of our residents have never experienced outings like these and they enjoy every moment!"

Kiwanis is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to changing the world, one child and one community. To find out more about the Dubuque club, visit their Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/dubuquekiwanis](http://www.facebook.com/dubuquekiwanis).

Opening Doors is a nonprofit organization who helps women and children who are experiencing homelessness. We provide goal setting and life skills training that enable them to achieve their full potential. We offer a hand up in the world, not a handout. Since 2000, Opening Doors has served over 4,000 women and children through a continuum of services. Teresa Shelter offers emergency and extended stay programs. Maria House offers transitional housing for up to two years. Francis Apartments offers an opportunity for income-based affordable housing with support services; a combination that has proven to be effective at ending the cycle of homelessness. Opening Doors offers much more than a place to sleep. We provide the opportunity for women to claim their own power and become self-sufficient.

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