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If I can sum up the 2023 year at the Shepherd's House in a few words, hands down, wow and THANK YOU, are my choice of words. We have had an amazing year. We just wrapped up our annual benefit fundraiser, Sheltering in the Storm. The community, our faithful sponsors, and new sponsors, as well as the many of you who choose to give your services, time, and goods throughout the year have left us speechless. I don't know if I can ever express the amount of gratitude we hold. We have been honored to be held in the spotlight a few times this year and it is because of you and your support! In case you missed it, Shepherd's House was chosen to have airtime on K-LOVE radio. It was very exciting to have the opportunity to educate about our program. We were blessed to have the chance to be interviewed with Kelly Lapczynski on "Talkin' Tullahoma", and I participated in an interview published in the *Good News Magazine* (Tullahoma issue, 11th edition). I had a wonderful time sharing Shepherd's House's heart at the Coffee County fair. I received countless invitations to local churches and was privileged to have the opportunity to speak. I have met some amazing people. This year has proven to be the year to drive our mission out to the public and again, because of your help in spreading the word, it was made possible.

The best is the news of the success stories I get to share with you. We have had multiple women take the chance Shepherd's House has offer them and run full speed. Out of the 30 full-time adult residents living at Shepherd's House in the year 2023, 20 of those residents have been able to maintain employment, buy cars, move into their own homes, work out legal issues, learn coping skills through counseling, and heal deep traumas. Almost all can give a testament of personal goals reached. We have had our fair share of those who have passed through and were unable to reach big goals, but I feel secure in saying even the small goals that were met were huge victories and helped to change the course of destruction and hardship they were facing.

What more can be asked for, after the success of this year! I look forward to 2024. There are big things around the corner, and I can't wait to report more to you in the following quarter letters. I hope you each have a joyful Christmas and celebrate big for the new year. I thank Christ for all the favor we have found within him and all of you. We covet your prayers and continued support.

As always, should you have questions, concerns, or would like to be added as a resource, please contact me directly. I would be happy to speak via phone or schedule a meeting.

With great gratitude,

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