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NEW BUFFALO COUNTY HAVEN HOMELESS SHELTER OPENED

WESTERN DAIRYLAND ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY COUNCIL HAS OPENED A HAVEN HOMELESS SHELTER IN BUFFALO COUNTY. LOCATED IN MONDOVI, THE UNIT WILL PROVIDE HOMELESS FAMILIES WITH A MAXIMUM OF 30 DAYS OF EMERGENCY SHELTER.

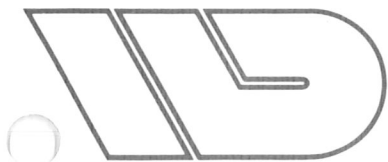
THE BUFFALO COUNTY SHELTER UNIT IS THE SIXTH HAVEN HOMELESS SHELTER UNIT SERVING WESTERN DAIRYLAND'S FOUR COUNTY SERVICE AREA WHICH INCLUDES BUFFALO, EAU CLAIRE, JACKSON AND TREMPLEALEAU COUNTIES. SINCE OPENING IN 1991, THE HAVEN HOMELESS SHELTER PROGRAM HAS PROVIDED EMERGENCY SHELTER TO 143 HOMELESS FAMILIES, TOTTALLING 500 HOMELESS INDIVIDUALS. OVER HALF OF THE HOMELESS WERE CHILDREN.

\$3,000 IN FUNDS WERE RECEIVED FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD) TO OPEN THE BUFFALO COUNTY HAVEN UNIT. HOWEVER, THIS REPRESENTS ONLY 40% OF THE MONEY NEEDED TO KEEP THE BUFFALO COUNTY HAVEN OPEN FOR ONE YEAR. THE BALANCE OF THE FUNDS WILL NEED TO COME FROM DONATIONS FROM BUFFALO COUNTY RESIDENTS, CHURCHES, BUSINESSES AND CIVIC GROUPS.

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WESTERN DAIRYLAND IS SEEKING FINANCIAL DONATIONS TO SUPPORT THE
BUFFALO COUNTY HAVEN HOMELESS SHELTER.

PLEASE SEND DONATIONS TO:

WESTERN DAIRYLAND-HAVEN HOMELESS SHELTERS

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