

Bridges to Hope



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Because you're part of the Bridge Haven family, we love keeping you connected to everything happening at Bridge Haven. This month, you'll meet new team members, celebrate exciting milestones, read a story of hope and get a first look at our newly redesigned website. Thanks for being part of the journey.

Congratulations, Rebekah!

Please join us in congratulating our Executive Director, Rebekah Little, on graduating from the Greater Sandpoint Chamber of Commerce's Leadership Sandpoint program!

Over the past two years, Rebekah joined other local leaders in exploring the many facets of our community, from human services and education to local government, economic development and leadership development. The program equips participants with the knowledge, relationships and leadership skills needed to strengthen our region.

We're proud of Rebekah's accomplishment and excited to see the experience and connections she brings back to Bridge Haven as we continue serving women and families throughout our community.



Belonging and Independence

One of the greatest needs we all share is the desire to belong. We want to know that someone sees us, values us and believes we matter. At Bridge Haven, we see this every day.

Many of the people who come through our doors have spent years feeling like they don't belong anywhere. They may have experienced homelessness, addiction, abuse, or broken relationships. Some have been told, directly or indirectly, that they would never amount to anything. Those messages leave deep scars.

Our goal is to change that story.

Belonging doesn't mean simply having a place to sleep. It means becoming part of a community where people know your name, encourage your progress and hold you accountable because they care. It means discovering that you are worthy of respect and capable of building a different future.

At the same time, true belonging should never create dependence. Our mission is to help people grow toward independence. We celebrate when someone gets a job,

learns to manage a budget, buys a reliable vehicle, signs a lease, or graduates from our program into a home of their own. Those moments are reminders that support and accountability can lead to lasting change.

The most rewarding part of this work is watching confidence return. A person who once doubted every decision begins setting goals. A parent who felt defeated starts creating stability for their children. Hope slowly replaces fear.

That transformation doesn't happen because of one person. It happens because an entire community chooses to care. Our staff, volunteers, donors, mentors, churches, businesses and community partners all play a role in helping our participants move from surviving to thriving.

Thank you for making Bridge Haven a place where people experience both belonging and the opportunity to build an independent future. Together, we are creating more than housing. We are helping people rediscover hope, purpose and the confidence to stand on their own.

Rebekah Little

Executive Director

JUNE REPORT



BED NIGHTS

June 1385
Year to Date 9194

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PROUDLY GRADUATED
and moved forward into
stable, independent living.



PEOPLE

Participants: 47

- Primary: 18
- Dependents: 27
- Spouses: 2

121% Occupancy Rate

Our occupancy rate can exceed 100% when we add temporary beds or cribs to keep families together — a reflection of both our flexibility and the community's high need for housing and safety.



ENTRY

Incoming: 3

- Primary: 2
- Dependents: 1
- Spouses: 0



EXIT

Outgoing: 3

- Primary: 3
- Dependents: 0
- Spouses: 0



Welcome Clarita to the Bridge Haven Team

We are excited to welcome Clarita Thrall as Bridge Haven's new Bookkeeping & Case Management Assistant.

In this role, Clarita will support both our financial operations and case management team, helping ensure the organization runs smoothly while providing valuable support to the women and their children we serve.

Clarita brings a strong background in bookkeeping, office administration, and secretarial work, with years of experience managing financial records, coordinating daily office operations, and keeping organizations running efficiently. She is excited to be part of the Bridge Haven team and contribute to our mission of providing hope, stability, and support.

Please join us in welcoming Clarita to the Bridge Haven family. We look forward to the many ways she will help strengthen our mission and support the life-changing work happening every day at Bridge Haven.



Welcome Kelcey to the Bridge Haven Team

We are excited to welcome Kelcey Utt-Boss as Bridge Haven's new Marketing & Administrative Coordinator.

In this role, Kelcey will support Bridge Haven's communications, marketing, and administrative efforts, helping share our mission and connect more people with the work we do. She will assist with our website, social media, newsletters, and other outreach initiatives that help build awareness and strengthen community engagement.

Kelcey brings a background in communications and marketing, along with a passion for helping organizations tell their story in meaningful ways. She is excited to support Bridge Haven's mission and help connect more participants with the hope and resources they deserve.

Please join us in welcoming Kelcey to the Bridge Haven family. We look forward to the impact she will make as we continue serving women and their children in our community.

Stories that stay with me

A Breath of Fresh Air

Some people leave a lasting impression without ever asking for attention.

One of those people is a wonderful mother in our program. She is raising three little ones, all under the age of five. Anyone who has spent time with young children knows that is no small task.

Yet every day, she meets the challenge with patience, kindness and love.

Her children know they are safe. They know they are cared for. Even on the hard days, she stays calm and keeps moving forward. Watching her parent has been an encouragement to everyone around her.

She is also working hard to build a better future for her family. She shows up, stays committed and never loses sight of why she is here. Her determination is inspiring.

She truly is a breath of fresh air.

At Bridge Haven, we have the privilege of walking alongside families during some of the most difficult seasons of their lives. Seeing parents like her grow stronger and create a stable, loving home for their children reminds us why this work matters.

We are grateful to be part of her journey, and we can't wait to see what the future holds for her and her family.

Natalie Medeiros

Case Manager

NEEDS LIST

- ☐ **Laundry pods**
- ☐ **Paper towels**
- ☐ **Toilet paper**
- ☐ **Dish soap**
- ☐ **Hand soap**
- ☐ **Garbage bags**
- ☐ **Twin comforters and sheets**
- ☐ **Twin sheet protectors**
- ☐ **Pillows**
- ☐ **All-purpose cleaner**
- ☐ **Lysol wipes**
- ☐ **Dish towels**
- ☐ **Shower curtains**

Take a Look Around!

We've launched our new website! With a fresh design, improved navigation, and updated information, it's now easier than ever to learn about our programs, explore ways to get involved and stay connected with everything happening at Bridge Haven.

Whether you're visiting for the first time or have supported us for years, we invite you to take a look around and see what's new!

[Visit Our New Website](#)

Thank You

Every act of support helps create pathways to home, dignity, and healing.

Your generosity helps provide housing, supportive services, and compassionate care for people working to rebuild their lives.

Together, we are not just addressing homelessness. We are helping restore hope, dignity, and the opportunity for healing



Rebekah Little
Executive Director

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