



February 8, 2022

Dear Friends,

I need your help with a project. If you think back to the early days of 2020, you might remember how eager people were to make masks for senior living communities and spread encouragement. Remember those days?

Fast forward to now, here we are almost two years later. Tired. Exhausted. Confused. Weary. In need of a hug.

The news is more confusing than ever, but there is one subject to which I can provide first-hand knowledge. My teammates at Salina Presbyterian Manor need a “pick-me-up” from your heart to theirs.

They are struggling emotionally as they balance the hours at work, in PPE, testing, new rules and of course mandates, all the while trying to return to some normalcy with their families at home. Right now, our employees feel overwhelmed and at times ignored or forgotten.

That brings me to the purpose of this letter. As the chaplain at Salina Presbyterian Manor, I am compelled to do everything to minister to our amazing team.

Introducing, **Hearts of Hope**, a program that will cover our community with hope. Who knows, maybe this will grow beyond Salina, KS and help other Kansas communities, or even bigger, our country.

With your help, I want each employee to receive a special ‘heart’ to remind them a community believes in them and their calling of care. You can give love and support. **HOW?**

Paint a heart, whittle a heart, sew a heart. These hearts need to be small enough to fit in a hand or a pocket, so they can feel it while working. They can be made of felt, fleece, actual quilted hearts, painted wooden hearts, or painted rocks. We need 140 hearts to share with our beloved employees at Salina Presbyterian Manor.

I believe in our community. I believe in YOU. Help heal hearts with your heart. I am counting on you to be the first spark to light a fire of love with “Hearts of Hope.” I really am counting on God to use these hearts to change the tone of conversation in our world.

Yours truly,

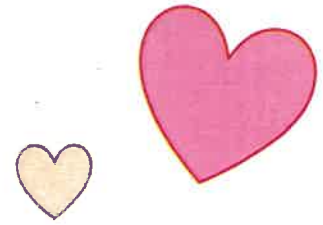
Chaplain Mary
Mary Bridges, Chaplain

PS. There is an instruction sheet attached. Thank you for having such a big heart!





Hearts of HOPE
a Salina Presbyterian Manor Project
Instructions



Organization Name: _____
Contact Person: _____
Contact Phone: _____ **Email:** _____
Organization Address: _____
of hearts submitted: _____

Heart Requirements:

- Pocket size shaped heart (handmade or purchased)
- Made with love
- Date needed by March 15, 2022



Deliver to Mary Bridges, chaplain at Salina Presbyterian Manor, 2601 E. Crawford St., Salina, KS 67401 * Phone: 785-825-1366 *Email: mbridges@pmma.org

If you are unable to deliver, please contact Mary Bridges to coordinate pick up.

