You're making a difference!

Dear <Name>,

During this season of renewal, I hope you will help Martha's Village & Kitchen make a positive difference in the lives of thousands of people in need. Many of us will take this month to look at habits that you might give up. For some of the people who turn to Martha's for a helping hand, however, giving up bad habits means the difference between living in a home or living on the streets.

One of the biggest contributors to homelessness that we see is substance abuse. Chemical dependency holds people tightly in its grip, but when they finally seek help – when there's nowhere else to turn – Martha's offers a place away from the environment that encouraged the issue to begin with. A place to rejuvenate the spirit and to rejoin society freed from the shackles of addiction.

Over half of the people living at Martha's are homeless for the first time. We are delivering hope to every one of these folks by teaching them new career skills, addressing the medical issues they've been putting off, and by providing a safe haven away from bad influences. This level of service and support, as you can imagine, is pretty expensive.

Thanks to you, the successes keep coming. Our programs bring hope and confidence to those who need it most. Last year, 243 of our residents left Martha's with a reliable source of income and permanent housing. That's a higher success rate than any other transitional living facility in the region!



I hope that you will join our mission and consider a gift that will continue to provide these invaluable programs. We can't do it without you.

92% of families and 85% of single adults graduate to independent living.



Thank you for your support and Happy Easter!

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K. Magdalena Andrasevits Executive Director Martha's Village & Kitchen

P.S. Exciting changes are coming to Martha's Village & Kitchen this year, including new healthier meal choices for our residents and public clients. Read more about food service and our other vital programs. Go to **www.marthasvillage.org**, then click on the Programs tab.