



# Newsletter July/August 2016

## Back To School Sept 6th

The Chicago Public School in our neighborhood, Gale Academy, is one where children wear uniforms. This is an extra expense for moms at New Life who



are already stretched trying to save money for a down payment on permanent housing. To help them out, we are asking for gifts to provide each school-age

child and youth with one new uniform to begin the 2016-17 school year.

With a \$50 Target gift card, parents can purchase one top, one pant, a pair of socks, and a pair of shoes. GNP will provide transportation to Target for families during the week of August 29 to purchase the uniforms. If you can help, please send or drop off Target gift cards in an envelope addressed to Karen Mosby, Executive Director of Programs, 1600 W. Jonquil Terrace, Chicago, IL 60626. Many thanks!

## Playground Perfect!

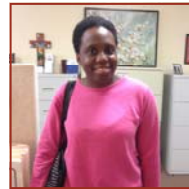
A major playground remodel for GNP's New Life Interim Housing was completed by the work (and fundraising) of many hands — pictures continued on next page.



## Congratulations!



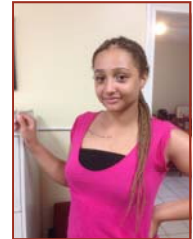
2016 8th Grade Graduates from Gale Academy, local Chicago Public School



Karen Foster, continuing student at DePaul Univer-



Tonisha Little— Graduated from The Floured Apron Program



Marie Bell, starting freshman at So. IL University



Leola Smith, on her new job at Clear Slate.



Mary Rogers, with the keys to her own apartment!


  
**SIGN UP NOW!**  
**Good News Partners'**  
**Unity in the Community**  
**WALKATHON**  
 Sunday, October 16th  
 See SHARABLE notice on next page!

**NEW PLAYGROUND** (cont.) With picnic tables built and donated last year by Bob Lapp, volunteer from Church of the Holy Comforter, and the existing swing set as a start (originally donated by Brad and Mary Anne Whitmore of Willow Creek Community Church), the rest of the space was entirely remodeled. Concrete was donated and poured to level the ground and the whole space was covered with Sports Court rubber tiles. Volunteer Jan Mostrom spear-headed the project and praised the many who helped her. Many thanks to all involved!



Kids first look at their new play yard and the Grand Opening. Smiles and cheers from everyone!



They went right for the basketball court. Executive Director of Programs, Karen Mosby, is on the team!



Moms and Staff relax and enjoy watching the kids play.



And ice cream sundaes topped of the grand opening. A day of blessings.



# VOLUNTEERS ROCK!



40 youth from 4th Presbyterian Church helped with a major moving project! So thankful for their hard work!



Women Everywhere blessed us on their annual volunteer paint project.



Local chapters of PEO (Philanthropic Education Organization) support young women in college. Their continued support of GNP resident, Karen Foster, was celebrated in July.



Chicago Hopes for Kids, tutoring our New Life children, also donated and planted flowers at New Life.

## VOLUNTEER FOR THE WALKATHON!

**Cut along line and share with future teammates!**

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### Unity-in-Community Walkathon

*Benefiting Our North Shore Homeless Served through  
Good News Partners*

**Sunday, October 16th**  
Centennial Park, Evanston\*

1:00 PM Check-In  
1:30 PM Walk  
2:30 Finish Line Party  
*Willye B. White Park,  
Howard Street, Chicago*



*Great goody bags,  
prizes, music, food, &  
activities*

**To Walk With Us, Go To:**  
<http://unityincommunity.everydayhero.do>

\*Free Parking Available at Northwestern's Lot/Return Shuttles  
(over)

*Make a Lasting Impact to End Homelessness*

*Your gift to Good News Partners will help sustain and grow the mission to end homelessness. By remembering Good News Partners through a charitable gift of life insurance, annuities, bequests by wills or trusts, or other planned giving, you can help assure the continuation of this important mission.*

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*Transforming Lives and Community Through An Affordable Housing Continuum*

**We hope to raise \$200,000...**

...but we need your help!

Individually or with a team of four, try to raise \$1,000!  
Prizes will be awarded for those who raise \$1,000 or more....

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*(see reverse for details)*

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