



Girls who drop out of school and have nowhere to go often end up on the street and fall victim to human trafficking and criminals who prey on them. Or, they become parents while they are still children themselves, continuing destructive cycles of homelessness, abuse and neglect. You can help Arms of Hope work to change these societal issues.

Dear Friends,

Their hair was dyed, there were deep scratches and bruises all over their bodies and the angry looks on their faces told me they did not want to be here!

In fact, Elle and Libby had promised each other that as soon as they got here, they would begin planning to run away. The truth is these two beautiful girls had nowhere to go. Their family had broken apart and safety and security was non-existent.

Their relationship with their mother was loving, but got to the point where it was no longer working. Their father had suffered a stroke after years of alcohol abuse. The girls had been homeless, they had been hurt and abused in ways most of us can't even imagine and they had even tried drugs.

I think you know how stories like these end far too often. Girls who drop out of school and become homeless usually end up on the street and fall victim to human trafficking and criminals who prey on them. More often than not, such girls become parents while they are still children themselves, continuing destructive cycles of homelessness, abuse and neglect.

Today, as we celebrate the Christmas season, I'm happy to tell you that Elle and Libby are out of danger. Thanks to caring friends like you, they are in a place that is safe and loving, where they can heal their hurt, grow in faith and turn their lives around.

You helped give these two girls a second chance. They are deeply grateful to you and so am I, but you and I have much more to do to prepare them for their future, along with many more children and families who need our help.

So, I ask you today, as you count your blessings this Holiday Season, to please make a tax-deductible Christmas donation to Arms of Hope.

The first thing Elle and Libby noticed at Arms of Hope was how welcome they felt here. Even as they crossed their arms and prepared to hate it here, all they felt around them were happy hearts and warm smiles. For the first time in their lives, no one was judging them and no one was hurting them.

Of course, it took some time for them to let down their guard, to heal, to truly feel at home and to welcome God into their lives, but today they have made so much progress!



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The girls are doing really well in school. They both enjoy being cheerleaders for the Medina Bobcats and they feel a part of the Arms of Hope community. The dye is out of their hair and the anger is out of their hearts.

Elle wants to thank you personally for all your past generosity. "We are on our second chances in life and we couldn't be happier. Arms of Hope is definitely a once in a lifetime blessing for my sister and me."

Libby wants you to know how joyful she and her sister are as they look forward to Christmas. "Christmas at Arms of Hope is not just about receiving, but it is also about giving to one another. Giving and receiving love is the only guarantee of having a truly Merry Christmas. I will never forget my first Christmas here when my house parents woke up with smiles and said, 'Let's celebrate the baby, the servant and the King named Jesus Christ.'"

I hope your Christmas is a joyful one and I hope that, as you prepare to celebrate, you will agree that it is the experience of giving and receiving that truly expresses the real meaning of this blessed season.

You have given so much and I thank you from the bottom of my heart. We have so many more children and single-mother families to serve and we can only do that with the caring financial support you provide.

Please make a Christmas donation to Arms of Hope today.

Merry Christmas,



Troy Robertson
Chief Executive Officer



P.S. Is there someone on your Christmas card list who loves children in need as you do? If so, please dedicate your donation in their honor and we will send a beautiful Christmas card to let them know about the kind, caring and selfless act you have performed in their honor. Thank you for being such a blessing to the children and families we serve!



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