

And we're off! . . .

The Groundbreaking Ceremony for Chosen Vision's future DeWitt home for six developmentally disabled women took place on the morning of July 25, 2011.

Residents, parents, board members and city officials were in attendance to celebrate Chosen Vision's commitment to build and operate their second home.

Adrienne Motz and Amy Russell, who will be the first residents of Chosen Vision - DeWitt, smiled with joy as they watched the morning's activities with great anticipation.



Attending the July 26 Ground Breaking for the new CV DeWitt home include DeWitt Mayor Jim Rundborg, resident Amy Russell, board member Jim Russell, board member Jenny Wieland, resident Adrienne Motz, CV Administrator Joanne Gould, and CV Board Chair Kalmin Smith.

After much prayer and due diligence, the board of Chosen Vision decided to move forward with its plans to build the six-resident home with \$180,000 yet to be raised. We have secured enough funding to begin and fully complete the home's exterior through drywall stage.

As we continue to seek funding through grants from applicable foundations, we will continue to solicit funding for Chosen Vision – DeWitt one room at a time. As the home building progresses, we will be bringing you up-to-date, as well as offering tours to our donors and prospective residents.

If you would like to donate toward this project, or if you know of anyone who would be open to receiving information about Chosen Vision-DeWitt, please call Joann Gould at 517/622-0574.

The Mayor of Dewitt, Jim Rundborg, welcomed CV to the city of DeWitt. Kalmin Smith, Chairman of CV's board, expressed sincere appreciation and continued support to our faithful donors. A Groundbreaking Responsive Reading was led by board member Jim Russell. The responsive reading asked for God's blessing on the new home and for good stewardship for all that is entrusted to us.

The new home will be located at 1107 Turner Road on a beautiful half-acre lot overlooking a golf course which was donated by Tom and Melinda Motz. When completed, the home will be approximately 3800 square feet and will house six developmentally disabled women with their own bedroom and bathroom as well as living quarters for staff and caregivers.



Amy Russell and Adrienne Motz, CV-D's first two residents. Currently we have 2/3's of this home filled. Applications are still being accepted.

Grantwriters: Meet Joel Hofman and Nancy Bareham

Joel is a recent Business Management & English graduate of Hope College. He is currently working as a writing intern for the Sparrow Hospital Marketing Department and has contributed to Trendway Furniture of Holland, MI as well as Granger Waste Services of Lansing.



During college, he was on the board of a student-run, non-profit organization that raised over \$90,000 for the Helen Devos Children's Hospital of Grand Rapids. Joel was also a staff writer for the Hope student newspaper and is hoping to continue writing as he transitions into the working world.

Nancy Bareham has been a professional fundraiser for the past 20 years. She has successfully raised over \$12 million for non-profits in the mid-Michigan area such as Impression 5 Science Museum, Catholic Social Services/St. Vincent Home, Lansing Christian School and Burcham Hills Retirement Center. Nancy has a B.A. in Journalism from Michigan State University and is co-owner of a local business with her husband Philip. She is an executive committee member of the Clinton County Republican Party, Secretary of the Rosewood Hills Homeowners Association and a member of numerous professional fundraising organizations. Nancy lives in DeWitt with her husband of 15 years and three children.

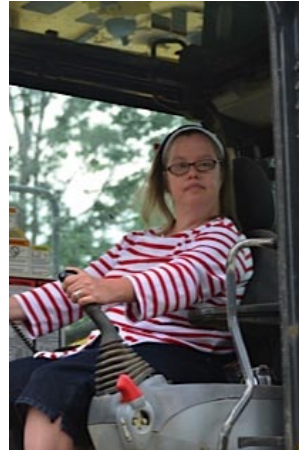


If you are aware of a foundation that might be interested in helping us complete our DeWitt home, please email Joel at Joel.Hofman@gmail.com or Nancy at nbareham@yahoo.com.

Please mark **October 22nd, 2011** on your calendar for the **9th Annual Chosen Vision Banquet and Silent Auction** at the Country Club of Lansing.

What You Can Do:

1. **Pray:** For the home builders, the good stewardship of funds received, and the future residents.
2. **Visit:** To keep up-to-date on our building progress, go to <http://www.chosenvisiondewittresidence.shutterfly.com> for construction photos.
3. **Tour:** If you would like to visit the home, contact Joann to schedule a tour.
4. **Funding:** We will continue to accept donations. Please call Joann to see how you can help.



Amy Russell



Adrienne Motz

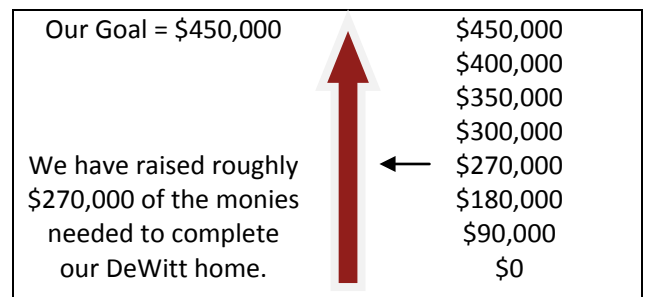


Let the games begin!

Special Thanks!

- Dale Simmon of Simmon Insurance Agency for underwriting our Builders Risk policy on the new home.
- David Granger for taking pictures at our groundbreaking ceremony.
- Mary Spagnuolo with The Amy Foundation for additional administrative support.

Tracking Our Progress:



"Empowering developmentally disabled adults to live life as it should be"

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