

## Marshall Community Credit Union Supports Tommy's House of Coldwater

Marshall, MI – Marshall Community Credit Union recently made a donation to "Tommy's Market," a micro-business of Tommy's House in Coldwater.

With the donated funds, Tommy's House residents will be able to purchase all the necessary equipment to begin production of tote/produce bags, kitchen towels and pie plates within the next 30 days. It is their hope to have these items ready for sale at the Coldwater Farmer's Market on Saturday, June 26<sup>th</sup>. There are hopes of expanding the micro-business, adding more items for sale and to branch out into other marketplaces, with the end goal of having their own Etsy store.

"Our house residents are thrilled that the community is rallying behind them in such a tangible way" said Tommy's House Executive Director, Laura Monroe. They would also like to invite any women who would like to join them for their first product making night, on Thursday, June 24<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm at the Coldwater Free Methodist Church. Light salad and desserts will be provided. "It will be a fun evening of camaraderie as we work together as 'women empowering women in community," said Tommy's House Administrative Assistant, Linda Dull.

Located at 50 N. Clay St. in Coldwater Michigan, Tommy's House has the purpose of helping women coming out of jail with obstacles and issues to overcome in the quest for a new life. "We are grateful to be a small part of the resident's transition from inmate to community citizen," said MCCU Financial Education Coordinator, Andrea Tucker. "And are excited to see their entrepreneurial skills grow with the startup of their micro-business," she continued.

Marshall Community Credit Union is a federally insured full-service financial institution with offices located in Marshall, Battle Creek and Coldwater. For more information on products, services or membership, please contact 269.781.9885 or visit marshallcommunitycu.com.



Tommy's House Administrative Assistant, Linda Dull, and Executive Director, Laura Monroe, receive a check for \$250 from MCCU Coldwater Branch Manager, Brandee Pabian, and Member Experience Specialist, Melanie Baker.

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