

## RHIP and COVID-19 MINI-GRANT PROJECT SUMMARIES

### COVID-19 Final Report from DAWNS House

#### “COVID-19 Basic Needs Relief”

Reviewed by Address Poverty and Substance/Alcohol Misuse workgroups



#### Summary of Results:

- DAWNS House was able to supply assistance with phone plans, food, hygiene items, and activities for the shelter in place order.
- We kept our home monitored around the clock to check temperatures and observe for signs/symptoms of COVID. We kept the home clean and supplied each women with masks, gloves and sanitizer, and also kept a dip bucket at every entrance.
- DAWNS House started a 12 step support group for the women of all our homes that met 3x a week and ensured the women continued to grow in their recovery, self-sufficiency, and accountability
- Most of our women are now back to work but with the fluidity of this virus we are staying on alert for possible set-backs

#### Story:

The women of DAWNS House volunteered for two separate projects to assist help minimize the spread of COVID. Our first partnership was with REACH and we made 50 hygiene and protective gear bags for the homeless camps and individuals on the streets. Our second project was for a hospital in Tanzanian, Africa The women of DAWNS House sent them 100 hope bags with handmade masks, hand sanitizer, alcohol wipes, etc., we even threw in some candy lifesavers to make them smile. All hope bags had personalized inspirational messages from the women. These volunteer acts gave the women pride and assisted with relapse prevention.