



# MADDIE'S PLACE

Nurturing care for drug-dependent newborns and their mothers

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Merry Christmas to you all!

Did you hear? WE ARE ON PACE TO OPEN MADDIE'S PLACE IN EARLY 2022!!!

We've made tremendous strides in achieving our Mission, which is to provide nurturing care for drug dependent newborns and their mothers in the Spokane Region. We would not be at this place without your generous gifts. We want to share our incredible story with you and ask you to partner with us again this holiday season.

First, a little history.



You may recall that just 12 months ago we closed on the purchase of the former Vanessa Behan Crisis Nursery building at 1004 E. 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Here's a picture of the outside of our facility on the day we closed, with Tricia Hughes, our founder and Clinical Director, and Shaun holding the deed! Maddie's needed approval from the Dept. of Health to proceed with a remodel to care for our babies. This sounds easy... it is not! Once the remodel is complete, we hope to become the 4<sup>th</sup> Pediatric Transitional Care Facility in the USA.

In May we hired our first Medical Director, Dr. Randi Edwards, a local pediatrician. Randi is a tireless advocate for these babies and their moms, and we are thrilled to have her leading the medical treatment of Maddie's babies! Many of the nurses and infant care specialists have already been interviewed by Randi and Tricia and are ready to start employment with Maddie's once we finish our remodel and obtain our license.



Bouten Construction has partnered with Maddie's as our general contractor. We've also attached a recent picture from the inside of our facility since construction began. What a partner they have been. Fifteen of our subcontractors have volunteered about \$100,000 in labor and materials toward the \$1.1 million cost of our remodel. Our story clearly touches hearts whenever we get to tell what we are going to do for Spokane's most vulnerable.



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Also in May, the State budget was passed with a Capital Grant for Maddie's Place in the amount of \$644,000! These funds will provide about 60% of the cost of our remodeling project. This is where you come in! Would you consider a gift this year to help us raise the roughly \$250,000 we need to complete the project and open for care by May 1? Let's change Spokane's future...together!



One way you can help is to "sponsor a room". We've attached a picture of what our rooms will look like for moms and babies at Maddie's. All the furniture you see will cost us \$1,500 per room. Would you consider paying for a full room for a baby in need?

Finally, and most importantly, we want to thank you so much for your incredible support and generosity. We've been overwhelmed by the level of community support. Because you have supported Maddie's Place in the past year and because we're coming up to the end of another year, we wanted to let you know of our need to get our doors open by May. If you would like to make another donation to Maddie's Place prior to the end of the year, we would be thrilled. You can make your donation on line at [www.maddiesplace.org](http://www.maddiesplace.org) or send your check to Maddie's Place at P.O. Box 2144, Spokane, WA 99210.

On behalf of the Board of Directors and the Management Team at Maddie's Place, we wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! Thank you again for all your support.

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