What We Need

Every week we could really use:

- 7 Gallons of Milk
- 7 Gallons of Orange Juice
- 4 Pounds of Stick Butter and/or Margarine
- Bananas, Apples, and Oranges
- Fresh or Frozen Beef, Pork, and Poultry

In addition, every month we use almost enormous amounts of:

- Regular Coffee
- Creamy Peanut Butter
- Laundry Detergent (Powder)
- Bleach
- Dryer Sheets
- Dishwashing Liquid
- Comet & Pine-Sol
- Toilet Bowl Cleaner
- Toilet Paper & Paper Towels

Our "Wish List"

- 3 ANSI Certified Refrigerator/ Freezers
- 2 Washers & 2 Dryers
- Computer Programs: Microsoft Office 2003, Microsoft Publisher, PhotoShop
- 4 Computers with Monitors, Keyboards, and Mice
- Inkjet or Laserjet Printers
- 1-3 100-foot Ethernet Cables
- 12 27" Color TVs
- 25 Twin Size Mattress Sets
- Big Screen TV for Our Common Living Room
- Living Room Set: 2 Sofas & 1 Chair
- Seating for Our Foyer:
 4 Wingback Chairs & 2 Side Tables
- 4 Vacuum Cleaners
- Commercial-Quality Microwave
- Commercial-Quality Coffee Maker
- Commercial-Quality Pots, Pans, and Baking Sheets
- 25 Desk Lamps
- Matching Dishes: 24 Dinner Plates, 24 Salad Plates, 24 Cereal Bowls
- 2 Single-Line Corded Telephones without Answering Machines
- Exercise Equipment: Stationary Bicycle & Treadmill

The John Taylor House in the News

Over the past seven years or so, The John Taylor House has been featured several times in local Salt Lake City newspapers. Following are excerpts from two of those articles.

Deseret News:

House Offers Help, Hope

By Alan Edwards :: May 13, 2005

Tucked behind a Flower Patch shop on 700 East and 2700 South, a historic house is doing a historic work.

The John Taylor House, built by John W. Taylor (son of former LDS President John Taylor) in 1891, is a grand residence built of rock and big enough to house Taylor, his six wives and children.

Since those halcyon days, however, the house has gone through various transformations. It is now serving as a nonprofit boarding house for men including mental health patients, former prison inmates and veterans.

"We love it, we love our mission here," managing trustee Lon Scow said. "It's a way of giving back to the community." ...

Scow becomes most energetic when he relates the home's success stories. He tells of an ex-convict who came to live at the John Taylor House right out of prison. The man had very little money, but he found a job at a car wash, paid his rent (residents pay \$600 a month for room and board, \$425 if they do chores around the house), and within two years had saved enough to buy his own home and move out.

"He came back, gave me a big hug, and paid \$900 in back rent," Scow said. "That happens once in a million times."

Current residents of the house — whose stay ranges from a few months to several years — are at different places along life's road. Some are still in bed at mid- to latemorning, struggling to find a reason to get up. Others are gone to jobs or activities. Some are doing chores like raking leaves or cleaning the kitchen. ...

http://www.deseretnews.com/dn/view/0,1249,600132179,00.html

Salt Lake South Journal:

John Taylor House Helps Those Willing to Help Themselves

By Ginger Miller :: May 2005

Helping men overcome life's challenges—such as drug abuse, mental health issues and homelessness—is the mission of the John Taylor House. ...

"We try to provide a good environment for [these men] and help them simplify there [sic] lives," said Peggy Hepsak, executive assistant. "This gives these men an opportunity to work at solving challenges in their lives and to figure out what they want to accomplish in the future."

The Work/Success Program offers residents a simply way to learn new sills [sic] and reduce the cost of rent. By accepting an assignment to fulfill household chores for 20 hours a week [sic – actually 20 hours a month] and attending a once-a-week Success Training Class, the cost of rent will be reduced from \$600 to \$425.

The training class teaches residents how to make wise choices and set goals in their lives. Learning how to achieve success in physical, mental, emotional and spiritual areas is an important part of the class, as well. ...

View a PDF of the Entire Article at http://johntaylorhouse.org/news.htm

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