



2020 PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN *Birthday Offering* RECIPIENTS

**Center for Social Assistance to the Disabled, Family, and Children
PREOBRAZHENIYE
Assisted Living Facility in Davydovo, Russia**
www.davydovo-hram.ru/osobyje-lyudi

In Russia, facilities for adults with disabilities are state nursing homes that are inadequate to meet the spiritual and emotional needs of their patients. The goal for PREOBRAZHENIYE is to create a Christian model of housing and community. The Birthday Offering grant will help construct a new home that provides suitable living conditions, constant medical support, and an environment in which the residents can realize their rights to freedom of religion and work.

**GAP Ministries of Augusta, Georgia
Expand Access and Service Space**
www.gapministriesaugusta.org

For 40 years GAP Ministries has served a community on the margins of society, helping with food, clothing, toiletries, prescription assistance, photo IDs and storage bins for homeless persons. By renovating the second floor of their historic church building and adding an elevator, GAP can address other needs such as a Saturday service for the working poor, expanded health assistance and meeting spaces for partner ministries.

**Community Presbyterian Child Learning Center in Payson, Arizona
Childcare and Prekindergarten Facility**
www.cpcpayson.org

Established in 1979, the Community Presbyterian Child Learning Center provides day care and prekindergarten programs for children in Payson, Arizona; the Tonto Apache Tribe; and neighboring communities. The center currently uses two historic buildings and a modular structure that is small and not well suited for child care. This grant will help build a modern facility that will increase the number of children served and provide infant care that is currently not available in Payson.

**Liberty Community Church in Minneapolis, Minnesota
Northside Healing Space Expansion**
www.libertychurchmpls.org

The Northside Healing Space is part of Liberty Community Church, the first and only African American-led Presbyterian congregation in Minnesota. This community-driven “healing homeplace” provides supportive housing, workforce development, access to healthy food, K–12 school initiatives, and care for survivors of trauma and commercial sexual exploitation. The Birthday Offering grant will help renovate their historic building and expand programming based on the expressed needs of the community.



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**Voices from the Center for Social Assistance to
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Elena M., age 17

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Anna C., age 19

In Davydovo, there is a very warm atmosphere, like in a family. I think the most important thing in fellowship with a "special" person is to try to understand him. In the beginning, it seems that they are different, but later, it turns out that they're just like us. In the city, people hide away. That's the problem. Here there is living in fellowship.



Daniel V., age 17

After working as a volunteer, I felt that I was learning to love my neighbor. I learned to understand people better, to empathize, to suffer together. I used to have a more detached relationship. I didn't try to understand people. I was egotistical. But after working here, I began to understand people and their problems better, to try to help them somehow.

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