

2022 Birthday Offering Recipients

Mission at the Eastward (MATE)

McCleary House

Transitional Housing

missionattheeastward.org

Farmington, Maine

\$80,000

Iglesia Presbiteriana de Lares,

Puerto Rico

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Lares, Puerto Rico

\$105,000

The Birthday Offering grant will help renovate McCleary House for people experiencing homelessness. Poverty has been increasing in Maine, with a growing number of vulnerable people losing their homes due to job loss, eviction, sickness or economic hardship—all complicated in the last years by the pandemic. This transitional home will provide a warm and healthy place to live for 3-4 families or 6-8 individuals over the course of the year, as most guests stay just a few months. The renovated home will provide a safe space for individuals to begin the psycho-social, educational and vocational work needed to move forward with their lives.

Following Hurricane Maria in 2017 and the January 2020 earthquakes in Puerto Rico, the Presbyterian Church in Lares has become the go-to location in the community for food, purified water and personal items. With much of the population elderly and infirmed, they rely on the church for help with necessities. Because the church's kitchen is small, dated and not code compliant, upgrades are needed to continue providing this ministry. With funding from the Birthday Offering, all appliances, wiring, lighting and plumbing will be replaced and the facility will be made ADA accessible. Solar panels and a heavy-duty generator will be installed to provide uninterrupted electrical service and water availability.

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