



PW in the Synod of the Trinity 2027 Mission Project

Hope New Worshipping Community

Project H.O.P.E. (*Home of Outreach Possibilities and Empowerment*)



Hope (New Worshipping Community - PCUSA) Church is a vibrant church community in Charleroi PA. Organized as a NWC in October 2025, our leadership - 2/3 Haitian and 1/3 American - is committed to growing in Christ and to intentionally work together to foster true community and provide a safe place to gather and support for a variety of needs.

A Safe Place to Gather --- Hope New Worshipping Community's biggest barrier is dealing with the fear our Haitian members have in going to those locations where they may be targeted. So, we want to bring the services to our Hope NWC Space which becomes a sanctuary and safe place by providing a variety of basic needs and individual and family support, including:

- After school homework help- since most parents cannot yet speak English and are not able to help their children in this crucial area.
- Presentations about, and providing assistance for, youth and adults in dealing with the trauma and stress of this ongoing nightmare situation in their daily lives due to immigration policies. These presentations will be given by a Haitian member of our leadership team who has a master's degree in counseling and conflict resolution.
- English classes and a specific special entry level English class - designated as urgent for those who are illiterate in their native language, Creole.
- Distribution of clothing, diapers, personal care needs and groceries.

The PW Synod grant will assist in providing the following needs: Translators (\$200/mo), Mental Health presentations (\$400/mo), Educational materials (\$100/mo) and Refreshments (\$125/mo). Volunteers will provide help with the English classes and Homework Help.

The Hope NWC currently receives financial support from Washington Presbytery, those funds are specifically designated to provide for administrative costs associated with a congregation (ie., rent for space, utilities, personnel, accounting, worship costs, etc.). **Those funds are not available for the programmatic and benevolence needs that provide the help the members need to become productive members of the community.** There are local congregations who faithfully donate clothing, shoes, supplies and food items which provide for basic needs. Additionally, we continue to partner with local nonprofit organizations to provide assistance and services where possible.

This one-time grant from the Synod of the Trinity Presbyterian Women will allow us to increase our connection and support in providing a safe place, educational and mental health care and provision of basic needs with dignity, and not having families standing in long lines outside a building.

The Presbyterian Women of the Synod of the Trinity are proud to sponsor this critical program for the Charleroi Community. Our goal is \$10,000.



**Donations will be accepted from
January 1, 2027 through December 15, 2027**

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