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## Want to make a difference?

Gina\* came to Holy Family Shelter on the eve of her 41st birthday with her two boys, Tommy\* (age 8) and Mike\* (age 10) with nowhere else to go. She rarely made eye contact, holding her face down most of the time. She shrank when spoken to and her skin was gray. She looked beaten down from life. Defeated. Hopeless.

Like many families that come through our doors, Gina had a job but was not working enough hours to make ends meet. Additionally, it was hard to get enough hours when she had to be home to get her boys on and off the bus each day. Immediately, case managers sat down with Gina to learn what was going on in her life. They helped her identify what she wanted her life to look like and then helped to create a plan. They showed her how to tailor her resume for specific jobs and taught her job-seeking skills. Most importantly they told her, "I know you can do this."

Renewed, Gina found a job. She was then accepted into the Holy Family Transitional Housing program. Hope was restored. During the year in our transitional housing program, Gina and her boys suffered the loss of the boys' father. As a mother, she felt their pain and it would have been easy to let that loss and pain consume the family, but Gina had recently been restored. She was able to offer hope to her boys when they were feeling lost.

Today, Gina holds her head high. Her skin glows. She talks a mile a minute about how great the boys are doing and about her day. Her dignity has returned. She recently celebrated her one-year work anniversary. She also renewed her lease, pleased with the safe permanent home she has created for her sons.

*\*name changed for privacy*

***Thank you for your support of this family and others like it.  
For information on how to volunteer for any of our 12 programs,  
visit [www.helpcreatehope.org](http://www.helpcreatehope.org) and click on Volunteer.***

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## Raffle to Support A Caring Place

For almost 30 years, A Caring Place adult day program has offered therapeutic recreation and socialization for adults, 50 years of age and older, with physical and cognitive impairments. Last year, we served almost 40 people and provided over 3,900 meals.

The graphic is a promotional banner for a raffle. It features a dark blue background with a white and light blue wave-like pattern at the top. In the top right corner, it says "License #:148105". On the left, the words "COLTS" and "RAFFLE" are written in large, bold, white, sans-serif capital letters. To the right of this, the text "Raffle will be for an exclusive" is in a smaller white font, followed by "Colts Ticket Package" in a large, bold, white, sans-serif font. Below that, "benefiting A Caring Place Adult Day Services" is written in a smaller white font. At the bottom, "Drawing: Friday, October 26, 2018 • 3:30pm" is written in a white font.

Looking for a great Christmas gift for your spouse or loved one?

Want to celebrate a birthday or just get away for the weekend?

\$50 raffle ticket for a chance to win:

**\$200 St. Elmo gift certificate**  
**Overnight stay at the JW Marriott**  
**TWO Colts tickets to the NY Giants game on Dec. 23rd**

Mail check payable to: ACP-Catholic Charities 1400 N. Meridian St., Indianapolis 46202.

*Drawing on Friday, 10/26/18 at 3:30pm. Thank you for your support of A Caring Place!*

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## Annual Report

Click [here](#) to read our latest annual report.

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## Save the Dates



### Fall Fest at St. Elizabeth/Coleman pregnancy and adoption agency

Date: Saturday, November 3rd

Time: 3:00-6:00pm

Location: 2500 Churchman Ave.

Details: Bring your family and friends and enjoy FREE activities, such as face painting, games, and more. We will also offer food, smores, and drinks for a small fee. Come and spend an afternoon with our staff; meet new and old friends and discover their connection to Adoption. Join us to bring together our adoption community in our own backyard! Please call Christine at 317-787-3412 for more info.



Christmas Store

Dates: Tuesday, November 27th through Tuesday, December 18th  
Details: Please visit [www.Archindy.org/ChristmasStoreHelp](http://www.Archindy.org/ChristmasStoreHelp)

## Simple Soup and Bread Luncheon to Benefit the Crisis Office

Date: Holy Thursday, April 18th  
Location: Catholic Center  
Details: Reflection and prayer



## Spirit of Service Annual Benefit for Catholic Charities

Date: Tuesday, April 30th  
Location: Indiana Roof Ballroom  
Details: Dinner, awards, and silent auction items. To sponsor a table, please contact Cheri Bush, [cbush@archindy.org](mailto:cbush@archindy.org) 317-236-1411

## 18th Annual Golf Scramble to Benefit St. Elizabeth/Coleman Pregnancy and Adoption Agency

Date: Sunday, June 23rd  
Time: Noon  
Location: Bluff Creek Golf Course  
Details: Shotgun start at 1:15pm, dinner and door prizes to follow

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