## A Beacon of Hope and Community—Reading UMW and June's Place Continued....

## A Community Effort

Pastor Deb reflects on the store's impact, stating, "June's Place is a place for the women and men of RUMC to serve, but also for others in surrounding communities to serve and fellowship together, both young and old. Whether from RUMC, another local church, or of no church affiliation, June's has become a place where the hands and feet of God are present through those who know Him and those who are meeting Him through others." This ecumenical ministry has indeed evolved into a thriving mission, uniting people from various backgrounds.

The store attracts donors from near and far who are eager to contribute to its cause. The profits generated are poured back into the community, supporting local schools, hospitals, individuals in need, mission projects, public health, and safety groups. Through these efforts, June's Place has significantly enhanced the quality of life in Reading and its surrounding areas.

## The Role of the Michigan Area Loan Fund

The Michigan Area Loan Fund has been instrumental in the growth of June's Place. The loan provided by MALF enabled the thrift store to transition to its new, larger location. Recently, the fund was approached again to support the expansion of the store's collection space, ensuring that June's Place can continue to grow and serve the community.

The success of June's Place highlights the potential of the Michigan Area Loan Fund to assist other churches or ministries with their remodel or expansion plans. If you have a vision for your church or ministry that requires funding, the MALF can help bridge the gap between your project's initiation and its completion.

## Bridging Dreams with Reality

Do you have remodel or expansion plans for your church or ministry? The Michigan Area Loan Fund could be the resource you need to bring your vision to life. Contact us at 888.451.1929 to discuss your plans and learn how we can support your mission.

June's Place stands as a testament to what can be achieved through community effort, faith, and the support of organizations like the Michigan Area Loan Fund. Together, we can continue to build thriving, compassionate communities.

For more information and updates on June's Place Thrift Store, visit their Facebook page or drop by for a visit on Fridays and Saturdays. Your support makes a difference!

