

## Legacy Project - E-Portfolio Summary

Our group did our project on HOPE of East Central Illinois. This organization relates to Population and Global health by supporting domestic violence survivors and giving support to individuals and families who are escaping abusive situations. The ultimate goal of this shelter is to offer safety, stability, and resources to help these survivors heal and rebuild their lives. To help with this, the organization asks the community to donate anything they can. They accept clothes, house items, cleaning supplies, food, and any other resources that could help these individuals and families. Our group was able to assist by going through the clothing donations and separating them by gender and size. We also were able to help organize the house items in a way that would be easier for the employees to visualize and distribute to the different housing units. Although we were unable to work directly with the patients, we helped organize and prepare donations. This ensured that families transitioning out of an abusive situation had the essentials they needed to feel more comfortable and secure in their new living environment. When realizing what it takes to help this community, I found myself feeling empathy and concern for these individuals who are starting over with limited resources. However, I also felt that we were a great help to these patients' by getting all essential items together that they would need for everyday living.