

# MONTHLY MOMENTS

JUNE 2019

## “D.A.D.s”

Time flies so quickly. We are already six months into the year. The Covering House family makes strategic moves every day to enrich the healing process and lives of the girls in our care. For those who have been with TCH from the very beginning to all of the warriors who have subsequently worked with and for the organization, it's an extraordinary thing to come to the realization that The Covering House will recognize 10 years of service to the community in November. As our faithful friends, donors, and supporters know, we've come so far in the battle against Human Sex Trafficking and sexual exploitation. But obviously, we still have such a long road ahead.

When Dedee and Greg Lhamon founded The Covering House in 2009, they began this journey as parents to two young girls. The first step in the process was (and remains to this day) spreading awareness. The epidemic of Human Sex Trafficking and exploitation is an evil that requires both men and women to be significant contributors in the fight. The Covering House needs MEN, more men like Greg Lhamon, to be active participants in becoming informed, spreading awareness, providing resources for The Covering House to expand its services, and defending the girls who have suffered the trauma and abuse of sexual exploitation.

This Father's Day Weekend, The Covering House will be unveiling its newest campaign that calls on stand-up, healthy men to partner with us. D.A.D.s is a collective of healthy male advocates working to protect kids from sexual exploitation.

D.A.D.s are

**D**evotees – to the cause of fighting Human Sex Trafficking and the sexual exploitation of minors.

**A**llies – to The Covering House, who seek to provide restoration and refuge to young victims of sex trafficking.

**D**efenders – of the girls who are in our care, as well as all minors who suffer from this trauma.

The Covering House is calling on healthy men who will pledge to:

1. Sign the TCH pledge to stand as advocates, and commit their hearts, minds, and resources to defend exploited youth and children.
2. Donate to The Covering House projects or organize fundraising events. Do not underestimate the value of your contribution. These funds will significantly impact the work the TCH does.
3. Raise awareness about the perils of commercial sex trafficking and exploitation of children to other males in their community.
4. Stay Up-To-Date by increasing their knowledge to identify the signs of sex trafficking in vulnerable youth.
5. Reduce the Risk through training and education opportunities to protect kids and survivors of domestic child sex trafficking.

The D.A.D.s campaign launches on Friday, June 14th! Follow on social media for details, videos, informative posts, donation challenges, and special promotions as we countdown to launch on Father's Day Weekend! Please join us and spread the word to the healthy men in your life who are willing to step up. Men who understand and nurture healthy, safe relationships can help. You don't have to be a father to be a D.A.D.

Sincerely,



Whitney B. Wallace  
Director of Development  
The Covering House



## Peach Muffins

### Ingredients:

- 3 cups all-purpose flour
- 1 tablespoon ground cinnamon
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 1/4 cups vegetable oil
- 3 eggs, lightly beaten
- 2 cups white sugar
- 2 cups peeled, pitted, and chopped peaches



### Graduation is not the end – Rather it is the beginning

There are two special moments in school that we always will remember and those moments are Prom and Graduation. This month, the girls had a great experience with Prom. They had Volunteers from The TCH family as their Dads and they were all able to eat, laugh and dance the night away. The next moment is Graduation, we are pleased to say that we have two girls graduating (one from 8<sup>th</sup> grade, the other from 12<sup>th</sup> grade) and they will have the full experience of graduation. Moments like these make up very grateful for supporters like you, because without your support, none of this would be possible.

### Instructions:

Preheat oven to 400 degrees F (200 degrees C). Lightly grease 16 muffin cups.

In a large bowl, mix the flour, cinnamon, baking soda and salt. In a separate bowl, mix the oil, eggs, and sugar. Stir the oil mixture into the flour mixture just until moist. Fold in the peaches. Spoon into the prepared muffin cups.

Bake 25 Minutes in the preheated oven, until a toothpick inserted in the center of a muffin comes out clean. Cool 10 minutes before turning out onto wire racks to cool completely.

Enjoy!