The INGRID M. Family

A TIPS On Art collaboration with Foundation Communities

Foundation Communities has paired us with a unique family again this year and we feel the deepest gratitude to now know each of the members of this sweet family and their commitment to bettering their lives through hard work and perseverance. It is our intent here to describe them as individuals and as a family so you, too, can know and help support their goals, ambitions and current needs/wishes in this Holiday Season. Ingrid & Carl are parents with two daughters, Caria & Ky'Elle, and one son, Carl "man man" III.

This family is relatively new to Austin and the Foundation Communities' housing support program after losing all their possessions, their home and what was a typical suburban family lifestyle in a house fire last year. They have experienced shelters, living in their car and unsuccessful assistance from extended family near Austin before finding Foundation Communities. This family is creative and highly motivated to get back on their feet and achieve their on-going goals!

Ingrid (33) is a very hardworking mom with lots of medical work experience (including her current job) but not the educational background to achieve her goals yet. She is committed to returning to school to obtain a BS in Nursing with a focus on becoming a Nurse Anesthetists. After extensive research, she has set her goals on the program at Concordia. If anyone knows of a way for her to apply/obtain a scholarship for Concordia's 16-month program, please let us (TIPS On Art) know how we can help facilitate ... we love advocates for big goals ... and this is a big one! Ingrid is also a dancer. She loves to bake & cook healthy & nutritious food for her family too. Her demeanor is positive and genuine and she is without a doubt committed to providing the best life possible for her family.

Carl (35) is a musician and also quite good mechanically. Slowly but surely, Carl is rebuilding his collection of instruments and equipment. He very much enjoys mixing and producing his own music. Though he did not ask specifically, and because we know we have many musicians in our network, it would be amazing to be able to provide him a bridge to a musical network here in Austin (any network north? ... they currently live north). Please give us a shout out if YOU can be our bridge-maker for him! Oh, also ... Carl is a committed Alabama fan!

Caria (10) is the oldest daughter loves to sing & dance & act.

Ky'Elle (6) is the second daughter/middle child and also loves to sing & dance & act. She is also very interested in crafts and drawing. Oh ... and she is a big fan of unicorns!

Carl "man man" III (4) is the youngest and does his best to keep up with his sisters. He loves dinosaurs and the imaginary world he creates for them. He loves to draw, color & make books. He is gentle and respectful and loves being in Pre-K.

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This is a kind-hearted, tight knit family who very much rely on each other every day. They have a single vehicle, 2009 Tahoe, which sees extensive mileage every day to get everyone to work, school & activities and back home again ... their daily schedule starts very early in the morning and runs like a finely tuned engine all day long! They are worried that the Tahoe they bought used for \$600.00 four years ago is not long for this world. So, in the spirit of asking for what they truly need, if anyone has someone in their lives that has (or knows someone who has) aged out of driving or simply have an extra vehicle they have been meaning to donate somewhere, please let us (TIPS On Art) help with that and let's get this family a reliable means of transportation so they can keep moving forward ... literally.

Family Statement: We truly are grateful to all who are helping us get back on our feet and will do the same when we are past this time in our lives. As a family, we enjoy going to amusement parks, to the movie theater, watching movies together and game nights. We have a dream of saving to go to Disneyland as a family and owning our own home again in the future. Thank you so much! God bless.

Family Household Needs: Loft bed (to place over their queen size mattress that all three kids currently sleep in), Mattress & Bedding for the loft bed & soft pillows, Living Room furniture (sofa & chair, corner table & lamp ... gently used is fine!), 8x10 Area rug for Master Bedroom (all floors are tile in their apartment ... grey rug would complement the apartment), Counter stools (3), Kid's activity table, Under bed storage containers, Dresser and/or Tall Chest for clothes storage, Bookcase, Door shoe organizer (2), Closet organizers for two closets, Grey bath towel sets, Collapsible wagon/cart (to help get things from the parking lot to their 4th floor apartment), Kitchen Items: Plate set, plastic cereal bowls, flatware set, measuring cups, spatulas, pots & pans, Pyrex bakeware, cake pans, cookie sheets, cast iron skillet, pressure cooker, blender, crock pot, plastic food storage containers, bag clips, etc. (Ingrid has been picking up odds and ends at Goodwill for basic needs currently); Gift cards to Target, Walmart, HEB, Burlington & Gas cards would be much appreciated

Relationship	Name	Age	Pants	Shirt	Shoes	Coat
Mother	INGRID	33	5	S	8	S

Wish List: Make-up for sensitive skin (starting over ... her skin has orange undertones): foundation, setting powder, golden bronzer, liquid liner, mascara; Beauty Store gift card; Rose-gold king comforter, necklace, ankle bracelet, earrings (for pierced ears)

Favorite Colors: Olive Green, Mint Green, Rose Gold, Charcoal Grey

Relationship	Name	Age	Pants	Shirt	Shoes	Coat
Father	CARL	35	34/32	M	9 1/2	L

Wish List: Help keeping their truck running ... gas and/or service help, Univ. of Alabama "anything", Cologne, Razor/Grooming Kit (for shaving head), Mr. Clean Magic Sponges, Burlington gift card

Favorite Color: Univ. of Alabama Crimson

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Relationship	Name	Age	Pants	Shirt	Shoes	Coat
Daughter	CARIA	10	7-8 child	7-8 child	4	

Wish List: Arts & Crafts kits or supplies, Jewelry Kits, Sentos Scented Dough & Tools Kit, Barbie Dolls, Barbie Car, My Life As\Poseable Vlogger Doll – African American, American Girl Doll, Build A Bear Workshop Stuffing Station, Go Glam Nail Stamper, Fujifilm Instax Mini 7s Camera (color green) & Chevron Groovy Case (color green) & film pack, Basketball, Skates, Bike (26" wheel size), Bike Helmet, Bike Lock, Clothes, Socks, Pajamas

Favorite Color: Crayon Green

Favorite Snacks: Fruit

Relationship	Name	Age	Pants	Shirt	Shoes	Coat
Daughter	Ky'Elle	6	6 child	6 child	1	

Wish List: Arts & Crafts kits or supplies, Learning Games, Sentos Scented Dough & Tools Kit, Barbie Dolls, Barbie Playset, My Life As\Poseable Class President Doll – African American, Build A Bear Workshop Stuffing Station, Go Glam Nail Stamper, Bling Diamond Collection, LOL Surprise 2-in-1 Glamper Fashion Camper, Skates, Bike (20" wheel size), Bike Helmet, Bike Lock, Clothes, Socks, Pajamas

Favorite Color: Pink
Favorite Snacks: Fruit

Relationship	Name	Age	Pants	Shirt	Shoes	Coat
Son	man man	4	XS 4/5	XS 4/5	10 child	

Wish List: Marvel Action Figures, Car or Train Set, Remote Control Dino (he loves Jurassic World), Video Games (age appropriate) for Play Station 4, Nerf Guns, Spiderman "anything", Star Wars Scream Saber, Banana Blast Game, Ryan's World Surprise Safe, Motorcycle Style Bike (16" wheel size), Bike Helmet, Bike Lock, Clothes, Socks, Pajamas

Favorite Colors: Royal Blue Favorite Foods: Fruit

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Family Favorite Foods:

Fruits: Pomegranate, bananas, green apples, rhubarb (for making pie) Vegetables: eggplant, zucchini, asparagus & peppers, garlic cloves Beef, Chicken & Fish, Turkey dogs
Mac & Cheese noodles with Velveeta & Butter (for them to make)
Navy & Pinto Beans (for chili)

Rice

Ice Cream

... let's see what we can do to fill their pantry with fresh & non-perishable goods!

Family Favorite Places To Go For Fun / Family Favorite Places To Eat Out:

Watch Movies (at theaters & at home through Play Station 4)
Play Board Games
Amusement Parks

Favorite Places To Shop (gift cards appreciated!):

Target Wal-Mart HEB Burlington

Holiday Meal Preference:

Ham (and Pepsi to baste it with)
Turkey
Greens (collard & mustard) with ham hock
Sweet Potatoes
Spinach
Pumpkin & Sweet Potato Pie
Pineapple & Cherries

Special Request: Family Christmas Stockings Volunteer Needed:

Each year we love providing our Holiday Adopted Family with a personalized Christmas stocking for each member of the family ... something with their name on it and filled with items they each will love. If you would like to provide this fun and wonderful gift for Ingrid, Carl and their kids, please let us know. Thank you!

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Thank you for your interest & support for the TIPS On Art Holiday Family Adoption Annual Community Service of Giving Program. This is our 27th year of making new friends and uplifting their lives through our holiday giving efforts. And we could not be successful in changing lives without your support! Which is why our motto has always been ... we are better together. Thank you, thank you, thank you.

NEXT STEPS/DATES TO REMEMBER:

Time is short till Christmas is here ... so please act immediately if you are moved to support this effort!

A. Gift Donations Drop Off & Family Gifts Wrapping Party Location:

6017 Abilene Trail Austin, Texas 78749

Donations: Leave On The Porch & We Will Find Them! Call Ahead If You Need Us To Meet You or To Arrange A Pick Up. *All Donations Must Be Received By Thursday, December 12th.*

- B. Wrapping Party: Friday, December 13th from 6:30-8:30 p.m. ... soup & refreshments served.
- C. Family Gift Delivery: Monday, December 16th. If you would like to join us, give us a call!

... for any questions please call Donna Wetegrove at 512.288.4897 or email to tipsonart@yahoo.com.

Go to www.tipsonart.org to make a donation online via PayPal.

Checks (made out to TIPS On Art) and cash accepted.

If you work for a business who matches your donations, we are set up with Benevity. Please contact your workplace giving coordinator to make your donation so they can match it!

Donations also accepted through I Live Here I Give Here.

100% of all donations support TIPS On Art programs.

We are grateful for all of you and this opportunity to serve our community together!

"Do all the good you can, by all the means you can, in all the ways you can, in all the places you can, to all the people you can, as long as you ever can." - John Wesley