1. **Major activities initiated:**
   a. Staff hired – has taken the entire three months to finally get to a full complement of staff. In the interim, full time staff worked many extra hours to provide coverage in this 24 hour facility. Most difficult to find individuals to do overnight relief work and weekends – needed to budget more dollars for this – learning for the future.
   b. Preparing the house for occupancy. We were fortunate to have a volunteer group (28 individuals) who took on Epiphany House as a project. They repainted almost all of the rooms, refinished all the wood floors, repaired the fire escape from the upstairs, poured a patio in the back yard, erected a play structure designed for ten children, obtained a level one security system from BellSouth for the house, and MUCH more.
   c. At the end of April we admitted the first family to the house, a single mother with four children. As of the end of June there were three families in the house, two other single mothers with one child each in residence.

2. **Number of individuals served during the last three months:** 9

3. **Outcomes observed for these individuals:**
   a. Improved nutrition skills observed as all mothers have participated in planning and preparing meals with guidance of volunteers and staff.
   b. Goal setting completed by all mothers with their Mentor Advocate.
   c. One mother has obtained her Section 8 voucher and is in the process of working with the Housing Specialist to find permanent housing.
   d. One mother has completed substance abuse classes.
   e. Children have attended school and/or day care regularly; three of the children have had well checkups during this time period.
   f. One mother has applied to Rex Healthcare to start the nurses assistant training program.

4. **Outcomes related to program goals and objectives:**
   a. Nutrition and goal setting were both included in our initial goals/objectives.
   b. Obtaining employment was one of our objectives – we believe that applying to a training program which will improve her potential income is an important step toward achieving that objective.
   c. Moving into permanent housing – being achieved by mother with Section 8 voucher.
   d. Children will feel safe and valued – hard to measure in a quantifiable way, but is observable when watching the children respond positively to a regular routine in a “home” setting.
5. **Changes or modifications to services: NUMEROUS!**
   a. Original proposal reflected a more “one size fits all” approach. We have made many changes to tailor services to each individual families needs. For example, these three mothers have all been to a number of parenting classes. The mere mention of “parenting classes again” was met with groans. Instead, we discussed having a parenting “rap group” where they can simply discuss challenges and share ideas over a more traditional structure.
   b. We are also working on integrating the residents into existing classes being held at area agencies instead of trying to bring everything to the house. Advantages include: more cost effective; opportunity to be in different environments; and exchange of information with more people.
   c. The guidelines for the house have been through several rewrites. Again, started out “tight” and are now moving toward identifying what rules are critical (i.e., non-negotiable), such as those related to safety, and what are norms which can be changed and modified based upon residents needs.
   d. Initially planned to use Mentor Advocates at Women’s Center main facility to do case management with residents. This has not worked well, so we are modifying the Program Managers role to include case management (we are calling it Personal Planning Consulting – negative connotations associated with term case management) with the residents. She will work in a partnership with the Mentor Advocates in assisting the residents in planning and achieving their goals.

6. **Percentage of project funds expended:** Approximately 20%.