Desk of the Director



There is one thing that I am certain of regarding the people we serve, not one of them dreamed that one day they would be homeless, or addicted to drugs or alcohol. Tragically, that is the direction that life took them. Of all the things that we provide for the folks that come through our doors, in the midst of their brokenness and self-destructive lives, I think the most important is the ability to have hope in the midst of hopeless circumstances. We provide to them an environment that is safe to envision a future characterized by love and joy. At the Eureka Rescue Mission we endeavor to surround our guests with genuine love and kindness, which in turn causes them to realize that hope, is not too far away, it is actually very near. We are compelled

to inundate our guests with this love and kindness because

Brvan Hall Sr. **Executive Director**

we know very well that it is the goodness of God that leads to true repentance.

Romans 2:4 Or do you despise the riches of His goodness, forbearance, and longsuffering, not knowing that the goodness of God leads you to repentance?

Thank you so much for your partnership in this great ministry, we hope you will experience God's love, peace and hope while reading your newsletter. Please take the time to fill out the response card below, we love hearing back from you!

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Recent Graduates of our New Life **Discipleship Program!**



Jack Robinson July 23, 2014



Phillip Owens September 10, 2014



September 24, 2014



Eureka Rescue Mission



Serving Our Community Since 1967

From our Women and Children's Shelter

Throughout different times of the year at the Women and Children's Shelter, we can find ourselves with fewer guests, but have come to realize, that at times, less can actually be more. Recently, during low occupancy, we had the opportunity to spend more quality time with the mothers, encouraging them to be all that God has called them to be. We teach them to put their children's needs above their own. We also remind them that no one ends up at our shelter by chance; their arriving at the shelter has been orchestrated by God. We believe whole heartedly that God leads each woman and child here because He has placed blessings for each to find while they stay with us. One of the blessings is as simple as staff members giving a loving warm welcome to the women and children who come through our doors, but the best blessings are found straight out of God's Word, when eyes are opened to see the wonderful gift of salvation through Christ, lives change.

A great example of this is Tiffany, our newest addition to the staff at the Women and Children's Shelter. Tiffany was a guest at the Mission when our Women and Children's Shelter Director, Lisa Skidmore, started working in 2009. Lisa said, "Tiffany was one of the women that I could see who was grabbing onto all that God had for her. I watched her day after day sitting at the kitchen table reading her Bible, determined to make a genuine change in her and her children's lives." During her stay at the Shelter, Tiffany was able to strengthen her faith and mature into a responsible

woman of integrity. After moving out of the Mission into her own home, Tiffany not only took great care of her two sons, she also took on the responsibility and guardianship of her nephew. During that time, she faithfully attended church, enrolled, and ultimately graduated College of the Redwoods with an Associate of Arts Degree in Behavioral and Social Science with high honors. We are so proud of her and encouraged by the strength of the Lord that she displays in her life. We see that Tiffany found some of the blessings that God placed for her while staying and rebuilding her life at the Eureka Rescue Mission and is now able to share what she once received, hope!



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Making a Difference in our Community

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Blankets are always a hot commodity at our shelters and quality blankets are rare. On August 20, 2014, we received a phone call from Joy Victorine (pictured above), Care Transitions Social Worker for St. Joseph Hospital, asking if we would have any need for blankets and sheets. Amy Bubenik, Manager of Environmental Services for St. Joseph Hospital, authorized the donation for blankets to us and our response was "absolutely". Upon arriving at the hospital we realized that they were changing out all of their linen and we ended up with well over 100 perfectly clean and folded matching blankets and sheets along with pillow cases. As soon as we got them to the Mission we changed out all of the Family Shelter and the Men's Shelter beds. We are able to make such a difference in the lives of those we serve because of the generous people and businesses in our community. Many of the guests that we serve have fallen on such hard times in their lives that simply having a new blanket, sheets and pillow case on a borrowed bed makes a world of difference. We are so grateful for the thoughtfulness of St. Joseph Hospital and staff that authorized this much needed donation.





Eureka Rescue Mission Women's Shelter



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New Life Discipleship Program Men









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On Saturday, September 13th, the New Life Program men partnered up with the Humboldt County Sheriffs SWAP and the Salvation Army to clean an abandoned transient camp on Tydd Street in Eureka. The property, owned by the Salvation Army, has been accumulating tremendous amounts of trash for the past couple of years and had not been cleaned due to a lack of manpower; it was time to clean up the property. The week prior, we walked through the maze of abandoned campsites to assess the property and came up with a strategic plan to tackle this enormous project. Because this was such a large task, we knew that it could take a couple of days if the New Life Program men took on the project alone. Through the wonderful help of Virginia Bass, Humboldt County's 4th District Supervisor, and Mitch Gratz, deputy sheriff who runs SWAP, we were able to get assistance from SWAP. Thanks to the efforts of Miles Slattery, with the City of Eureka, we were able to secure two 40 yard dumpsters. The dumpsters were placed at the site on Friday ready to be filled the next morning. All of our men, along with the inmate crew, worked tirelessly from 8:30 a.m. until around 12:30 that afternoon. We filled both of the dumpsters to the top. The arduous task was followed by ham and turkey sandwiches, chips, muffins, hot coffee as well as an ice chest full of bottled water, provided by Lieutenant Tim Danielson with the Salvation Army. It was hard work, but after it was finished, all of our men felt very blessed to be a part of something that truly made a difference in our community. The men on the New Life Discipleship Program understand that it is only through the support of this community that they are receiving the opportunity to make a change in their lives and always appreciate being able to give back when they can.



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