From the Desk of the Director

Recently, I was reflecting on just how important Easter is to our existence. Could you imagine what the world would be like if the enormous sacrifice that Jesus made never took place? The support, prayers and volunteer hours that make up the ministry of the Eureka Rescue Mission would never occur. The Eureka Rescue Mission simply wouldn't exist and neither would countless other Christian ministries that millions around the world depend on. This is a terrifying thought, but at the same time, it puts into perspective what we truly celebrate during Easter, the birth of eternal heavenly hope right here on Earth.

When you support the Eureka Rescue Mission, you are helping pass that hope to men, women and children. You are giving each of them an opportunity to have their lives transformed by this blessed hope! By the giv-

ing of your time, finances, prayers and gently used items to our Thrift Store, you are imitating the most important event in history by making a sacrifice that will help change someone's life forever. My life is a perfect example of this. When I was lost, your sacrificial investment into the Eureka Rescue Mission provided a place for me to gain my life back. Thank you for the time, talent and treasure that continues to bring the hope found in Easter to the lives that need it most. I hope you had an awesome holiday, and may God bless you beyond measure!

Please Notice:

In order to save on paper & printing costs we have included our response card below. Simply tear at the perforated edge and return your response card with an envelope.

Thank You!

Bryan Hall Sr. **Executive Director**

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Through the winter months the Eureka Rescue Mission New Life Discipleship Program mem-

bers are closed behind Mission doors with the responsibilities of maintaining the inside of the Shelter and periodically helping around the community with indoor projects. Spring is now here and we are out in full force by taking advantage of the beautiful weather, hitting the streets with trash bags, shovels and weed eaters. Recently, our first stop was to clean up the train yard between 1st and 2nd Streets at the foot of Commercial Street. Before weed eating, we had to clean the area of trash scattered throughout the property. It became evident that the amount of trash was more than we originally anticipated. The train engines and boxcars had become full of items left behind by campers, which ultimately resulted in three trailer full trips to the dump and back. The owners of the property were then able to secure the property, minimizing the possibility of this happening again. Our men worked hard for several hours, improving the appearance of our neighborhood. The men on the program come to the Mission broken and without hope. They are encouraged to look beyond themselves and to consider others. While on the program, the men learn what it means to be trustworthy, hard working, loyal, helpful, friendly, courteous, loving and available to take on real life situations. Our men learn to deal with challenges through determination and confidence. We are looking forward to many more community projects this summer. Thank you for all of your support!



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Helping people who have fallen on hard times is not always easy. Many who come through our doors have little to no hope, but after a while of being encouraged by staff and program members, their hope begins to rise. With this hope comes a desire to be productive in life. We are here to assist and encourage our guests to actively pursue gainful employment and permanent housing. Our guests have a weekly check-in with staff,

Our Guest's Next Step



where they show that they have been out looking for work or housing. Looking presentable is a must when it comes to interviewing for a job or housing, so we have provided provisions to meet that need. From our Thrift Store we have quality clothing to provide to our guests so they are presentable in their employment and housing search endeavors. We also have a volunteer who comes to the Shelter weekly providing haircuts at no charge to our guests. Help with building a resume or filling out an employment application is also made available. This year three men have moved out of our emergency shelter into permanent housing, while three more are waiting for property owners to have their rental units ready so they can move out. Peri-

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odically, we receive phone calls from property owners and employers asking for a reference regarding guests of the Mission. It is exciting to be able to give a positive referral for someone who has been staying with us. In addition, another guest is attending Humboldt State University working toward his bachelor's degree. Many who have taken the next step in their lives to become responsible and productive have been able to come back and share their success with us. You, our donors, are the very backbone of these accomplishments. Thank you so much for helping us help others to change their lives, one life at a time!

Current Needs

- Fervent, continual prayer for our volunteers, chapel providers, and staff.
- Your financial donation, of any amount, is an effective and welcome tool.
- Please consider donating your gently used items to our Thrift Store.
- Meat and coffee is always needed for meals.
- Canned items like vegetables and fruit will refresh our depleting supply.
- Trash bags of all sizes

Donations of your gently used items for the **Thrift Store** can be taken to 1031 Broadway or you can call 707 443-2523 to arrange for a pickup. All other donations can be dropped off at Eureka Rescue Mission located at 110 2nd Street.

Many different organizations and nect with the Eureka Rescue Mis-



sion. Here we are at Harvest Church in Eureka having a blessed time with our mothers and children from the Family Shelter. It sure was nice to have a night out of the Shelter with our families. Sherry Hornbrook set up a fun dress up photo session for the kids and when we showed up she had many helpers. The church fellowship hall was full of church members and lots of kids! After they welcomed us in, we were then served a fun pizza dinner with root beer floats for dessert. Then the real fun began. They had set up tables for our kids full of hats, jewelry, wigs, scarves, clothes and sunglasses. The sun glasses and hats were a big hit with the little ones! Vicky Rosser was poised and ready to start taking pictures of everyone all dressed up. It's special times like this that we know we are one big family, God's family, and He so delights in us having fun times together.



Easter at the Mission was a complete success! We opened our doors at noon to bring in men, women, and children who were excited to come in out of the Humboldt drizzle and have a nice hot meal. The tables were set with desserts, sodas, and empty cups waiting to be filled with fresh brewed coffee. Pocket Bibles were provided by the Gideon's for anyone who wanted one, and live piano music played by one of our New Life Program men filled the room. This year we had five volunteers from the community to cut desserts and serve meals to our guests. The New Life Program men joined in to serve plates filled with ham, potatoes and veggies to our guests. The women and children from our Family Shelter came, filling the seats of two tables! We were so blessed to have such a good time of food and fellowship during this holiday season. Thank you for your continued support to this ministry!



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