

From the Desk of the Director

The Eureka Rescue Mission has, and continues to experience, blessings in several areas. At the Women and Children's Shelter, women and children are receiving the services needed to get their lives together in order that they may transition from emergency shelter to more permanent housing. At the Men's Shelter, we are experiencing more of our guests transitioning from unemployment to being gainfully employed, resulting in their saving money to acquire more permanent housing. Our men's New Life Program is flourishing with over 20 members currently. All but two of our graduates have found jobs and are saving their money to transition into their own apartments. Also, for the past few months, we have been short staffed at both of our Shelters. Hiring the right people for manager positions is not an easy task because it's more than just a job; it's a ministry position requiring the calling of God on a persons life, specifically a calling to work with homeless families and individuals. I am so excited to say that the Lord has filled those positions. We are now fully staffed at both shelters! With all of this in mind, I would like to talk about you, our faithful supporters, and the part that you play in this great ministry. Your faithfulness and support of God's work at the Eureka Rescue Mission are a testimony of God's love. I am blessed by the notes that come through my office. Many ask for prayer and others offer words of encouragement. Some write of how a loved one came to the Mission for help and how God worked a miracle by answering their prayers for that loved one. I absolutely love to read all of the responses that come across my desk, so please send your prayer requests and words of encouragement. Our ministry is not only to the people who utilize our services, it is also to you. We faithfully pray for all of your prayer requests that you send to us. If in the past you have sent a prayer request to us and have received an answer to those prayers, please let us know how the Lord answered those prayers. Together we will prayerfully move forward in the ongoing work of our Lord. His unconditional love and compassion have the power to break down great walls of hurt, pain, abuse, and addiction. Through the Lord's grace, the love of Christ will be shared to the multitude of hurting men, women, and children who come seeking help at the Eureka Rescue Mission.

Thank you for your faithfulness in God's sovereign work.

Bryan Hall Sr.
Executive Director



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Please Note:
If you would like to respond, please use the stub and envelope provided.

Recent New Life Program Graduates!



Daniel Caulder
2-11-2015



Ryan Vanderburgh
2-25-2015



Joey Mckimmy
3-04-2015



Blake Boyd
4-22-2015



Changed Lives

Offering a Hand Up

In the Book of Acts, Chapter 3, we read that Apostles Peter and John went together to the temple. At the gate called Beautiful of the temple, there was a certain lame man who was carried and laid daily at this gate. This man who was lame would ask for alms (financial aid) from all who would take the time to notice him. He saw Peter and John and asked them for alms. When the Apostles looked at him, Peter said to him, "look at us", so the lame man looked at them expecting to receive some type of financial relief. Peter said, "silver and gold I do not have but what I do have I give you: In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, rise up and walk." Peter then took the man by the right hand and lifted him up and immediately his feet and ankle bones received strength. The man leaped up, stood and walked entering the temple with them, walking, leaping and praising God. All the people who saw him marveled and were amazed because they saw him daily at the gate begging and now he was standing on his feet.



In our community, we have a tremendous amount of services for those who find themselves falling on hard times. Oftentimes, giving money directly to individuals panhandling may contribute toward a destructive lifestyle. Not every person is involved in a destructive lifestyle, but some are. How can we be sure though? The answer to that question is we cannot truly be sure. The question often asked is, "what can we do to help people who have a genuine need?" The answer to that question is simple, direct them to the Mission. At the Eureka Rescue Mission we meet all of their needs. With the support of caring and generous donors, we are able to clothe, feed, shelter, identify underlying causes of homelessness, and maintain a consistent and open line of communication with all who come through our doors for services. Guests of the Mission are able to stay with us while seeking employment and we often extend their stay so that when they do find employment they are able to save enough money to secure stable housing. Some enter into our yearlong New Life Discipleship Program and experience a change in their lives. Upon graduating our program, graduates enter into the workforce with confidence and purpose in their lives. We continue to see miracles in individual lives, those who were depending on handouts have received a hand up and now can walk and leap into the future with stability and purpose. Like the lame man who was laid at the gate, it takes someone to reach out and help them to their feet. At the Eureka Rescue Mission that's what we do best, help people to their feet.

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Leaving a Legacy

Many say they wish they could do more to help the Eureka Rescue Mission, but they are on a fixed income and cannot afford to give more than they are giving. In this circumstance, we invite you to consider making a gift for the future. Remembering the Eureka Rescue Mission in your will is one of the easiest planned gifts you can make. We recognize the importance of first providing for your family, and then the causes that are important to you. If you are in the process of updating or beginning to share your will, or reviewing your financial portfolio, it may be beneficial for you to consider the following ways of making a charitable gift to the Eureka Rescue Mission.

Wills and Bequests

Every day, the Eureka Rescue Mission strives to make our community better by helping people pull their lives together. Why not leave your mark on the world by supporting our ministry through your estate plan or will? By including us in your will, you can specify that some or all of your assets be given to us after your lifetime. When that time comes, the asset/assets you specify will pass to us, and your estate can take a charitable deduction for the amount of your bequest, reducing the estate taxes payable. To include the Eureka Rescue Mission in your will, we should be named as "Eureka Rescue Mission, a California not-for-profit corporation, organized and existing under the laws of the State of California, and with the principal business address of P.O. Box 76, Eureka, CA 95502." Our tax identification number is 94-6135983. Please inform us if you add the Eureka Rescue Mission in your will so we can thank you appropriately for your commitment to our ministry.

Gifts of Property (stocks, bonds, mutual funds, real estate)

Making property gifts offers an easy and tax-efficient way to make a lasting contribution to the Eureka Rescue Mission. You will help sustain our ministry, while avoiding capital gain tax and reducing federal income tax.

Beneficiary Designations

Name the Eureka Rescue Mission as a beneficiary in your life insurance policy and/or retirement accounts. This is a simple way to give that provides you with tax advantages as well.

Trusts

A trust can help you manage your assets in a prudent and flexible way. It allows you to design a financial plan that meets your current needs and the needs of beneficiaries who survive you. With a trust, you can protect your assets, cut estate settlement costs and reduce taxes. Among the types of trusts are *Living Trust*, *Testamentary Trust*, *Charitable Remainder Trust* and *Charitable Lead Trust*.

We would like to thank you for your consideration in this sensitive yet important matter. Your support makes a lifetime of difference in the lives of those we have the privilege of serving.

Easter Meal

Once again, our annual Easter meal was a complete success! Plates were filled with baked ham, vegetables, mashed potatoes and gravy, rolls and a side of desert. Community volunteers served the guests while offering pleasant conversation accompanied with bright smiles. The atmosphere not only smelled delicious, but was very much like a large family gathering filled with good fellowship. It is such a blessing to bring joy and hope to those who need it most, not only for the holidays but every day of the year. Thank you to all of our faithful partners and volunteers, without you we would not be able to continue this great work.



Boutique Makeover

Our boutique at the Women and Children's Shelter has received a great remodel by Hannah Josang, who was completing a project for Girl Scouts. Before the remodel, it was hard to quickly find the right sizes of clothing for the women and plastic hangers were being easily broken in the poor design. The old flooring was coming up and looked worn. It was

also in need of fresh paint. Hannah was wanting a project where she could earn the Gold Award, which requires 80 hours of time and an aspect of sustainability that will carry on after the project is completed. For the project, the girl scout is supposed to identify a problem and investigate it thoroughly, then create a plan, build a team, carry out the "action" part of the project, and finally educate people about it. Mission accomplished! The boutique now functions much more smoothly. Hannah organized the boutique in a way that we can now find clothing sizes with ease. It has been freshly painted, new carpet has been laid and no more broken hangers. It's wonderful! So many homeless women that use our boutique noticed the change right away as they walked into it. They all stated how wonderful it looks and how blessed they are to have a place to come and get free clothing. From all the staff and the guests we serve here at the Women and Children's Shelter we want to personally say thank you to Hannah and her crew and to all that donated their time, finances, and supplies to make this project happen. Thank you so very much. The boutique looks amazing now.



Hannah Josang
Girl Scouts



A Time of Refreshing

It was noon, the sun was shining and the sky was blue and clear. What a perfect day for a road trip as we packed the subvans with luggage and Bibles. Excitement filled the air about the blessing that was ahead as we were about to travel to Redding for the annual Men's Conference. All of the men were anticipating a great time to rest physically, mentally and spiritually by enjoying fellowship both with our LORD and with each other. When we arrived, the temperature in Redding was right around 85 degrees, so after we checked into our motel, some of the guys decided to take a much needed dip in the swimming pool. After getting settled in, we went to eat at In-N-Out Burger, then we made our way to the church for a time of worship and prayer.

For some of our men, this was the first time that they had been to a larger church with around 800 other men enjoying a time of praise, worship and teaching. The next day was such a profound blessing starting with a good breakfast and worship followed by a time of anointed teachings from several pastors from all over Northern California and Sothern Oregon. This yearly event is such a blessing not only for the men in the New Life Discipleship Program but also for the staff who attended. Overall, it was a great time of fellowship and since going we have seen true change in the lives of all the men who attended. A big thank you goes out to all of our awesome donors who contribute to the Eureka Rescue Mission ministry. You are the ones who make the difference in the lives of those who need it most.

