

On MISSION

FROM HOMELESSNESS TO HOME: YOUR CITY RESCUE MISSION UPDATE

ONE STEP FROM HOMELESSNESS— YOU KEPT THEM SAFE

Jasmine had been doing everything she could to hold things together for her family. But then missed work shifts to help her daughter through a school crisis ultimately cost Jasmine the job their family relied on.

Without steady income, she fell behind on rent. Suddenly, she and her two daughters, ages 7 and 11, were facing eviction.

Jasmine searched for help and found City Rescue Mission. She called ahead, spoke with a staff member and arrived the same day they had to leave their apartment. She packed up what she could into her truck, gathered her two children and came straight to the Mission—determined to keep her kids safe.

Thanks to friends like you, we were ready to welcome them.

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"We're just going through something right now." — Jasmine

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"Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ." — Galatians 6:2

ONE STEP FROM HOMELESSNESS— YOU MADE THE DIFFERENCE

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Because of you, Jasmine and her daughters never had to spend even one night without a safe place to stay. They had a safe place to stay and the help to start over. *"The Mission made it really easy,"* she says.

Your support gave Jasmine and her children more than a roof: You helped give them stability. Her kids had a safe space to sleep, other children to play with and structure in their day. *"They play outside with other kids. To them, it feels normal—and that makes it easier on me."*


The support didn't stop there. Jasmine received the help she needed to move forward with securing stable housing again and today, her new apartment is almost ready. *"I've had that deposit ready for months,"* she says. *"We're so close."*

But maybe the biggest gift was emotional.

"There were days I'd just cry," she says. *"And Miss Nikia would hand me a tissue and remind me, 'You've got this.' They made sure we weren't alone."*

Because of partners like you, Jasmine and her children never had to sleep in their car. They never had to experience the streets.

Thank you for helping families like Jasmine's when they need it most!



When one of her daughters asked if they could come back to volunteer after they move out, Jasmine didn't hesitate. *"Absolutely,"* she said. *"This place gave us so much."*

RIDE ALONG WITH RAYMOND AND THE HOUSING TEAM



For DonnaMarie, a member of CRM's Housing Team, case management is never just a checklist or a series of appointments. It's relationships. Listening. It's cheering people on when they can only take one small step at a time.

"Sometimes people just need a cheerleader or someone to listen," DonnaMarie says. *"We meet people where they are."*

Rhonda was one of those people. She first came to the women's shelter carrying more burdens than she could manage. When Rhonda was truly ready, she and DonnaMarie worked step by step to get back on her feet, stabilize her health and prepare for housing.

When she finally moved into her own place, it was a moment of quiet triumph. But then, unexpectedly, Rhonda disappeared. She stopped answering calls. She wasn't responding to check-ins.

"As a case manager your mind goes to dark places when a client stops answering," DonnaMarie said. She worried deeply. Finally, she knew she had to go check for herself. Standing at Rhonda's door, she whispered a prayer and knocked.

The door opened.

"She was glowing," DonnaMarie remembers. Rhonda was thriving. She had furnished her home, settled into a routine and finally felt steady.

"It works," DonnaMarie said. *"The program works."*

Housing alone does not create stability. But housing, combined with genuine support, compassion, accountability and someone who truly sees you does. Because of donors like you, case managers like DonnaMarie can walk with people every step of the way, helping them build the foundation for a future they finally feel ready for.

A LEGACY OF HOPE

The growing needs in our community remind us just how important long-term support is. More families and seniors are facing homelessness for the very first time. Housing is harder to access. And many people are only one unexpected crisis away from losing their home.

At City Rescue Mission, every meal served, every bed offered and every story of transformation

begins with someone's generosity. Day after day, our community steps forward to make sure our neighbors experiencing homelessness have a safe place to turn. And for many, that commitment doesn't end with a gift today—it becomes a legacy they choose to carry forward for years to come.

Your legacy gift creates a lasting foundation of stability at City Rescue Mission—so that no matter

MOMENTS AT THE MISSION 2025 WAS FILLED WITH HOPE!

City Rescue Mission is grateful to everyone who helped make 2025 a year of hope for individuals and families. Mission guests are so thankful for the meals, shelter and special experiences you made possible by supporting City Rescue Mission.



what challenges arise, we will be here to provide hope to those who need it most.

We're Here to Help

If you've already included City Rescue Mission in your estate plans, thank you. We would love to honor your generosity.

If you're considering a legacy gift or simply want to learn more, we're here to support you.

Your compassion today can change lives tomorrow—and for generations to come.

To request more information, city@cityrescue.org or call 405-232-2709.

Erin's Column

HOPE GROWS BECAUSE OF YOU

When I think about the work we do at City Rescue Mission, what comes to mind is our people, our staff. Every day, we meet moms, like Jasmine, who are frightened. Senior citizens who never imagined they would lose their homes. And families who are doing everything they can to stay together.

More and more of them are walking through our doors for the very first time. Each month, we are meeting 90 to 100 people who have never experienced homelessness before. Many families are falling into homelessness because of a single crisis.

Even with this increased demand and desperate need, your generosity gives me hope.

Real change always begins with a relationship and trust. Before we talk about goals or plans, we simply sit with people. We listen. We offer compassion, dignity and prayer. Often, that is the first time someone has felt safe enough to breathe and believe that stability is possible again. Sometimes a small amount of support or a caring conversation changes everything.

Your support makes this possible.

You help us offer stability, guidance and hope. You help us respond with compassion when a family is scared and out of options. And you help us persevere, faithfully and prayerfully, no matter how unpredictable the world becomes.

Thank you for standing with us and with the families who need you most.



Erin Goodin
President/CEO

YOU'RE INVITED!

The annual Hearts of Hope luncheon is a time to celebrate stories of hope and transformation. We will welcome Amanda Taylor as our emcee, as well as City Rescue Mission clients sharing their powerful stories and testimonies.

We hope you can join us for this inspiring event and take your place in the new stories of hope that are being written every day at City Rescue Mission.

Lunch, Guest Speaker & Client Testimonies, Photo Booth and More!

April 16, 2026

National Cowboy & Western Heritage Museum

11:30am - Doors Open

12:00pm - Program Begins



2026
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HELP MORE FAMILIES FIND STABILITY

Because of you, Jasmine and her daughters had the support they needed, and now they're about to move into their new home! Your gift today can help other families do the same.

Because of you, families like Jasmine's are finding more than just shelter—they're finding a way forward.

More and more people in our community are losing their housing. Some have lost jobs. Some are fleeing unsafe situations. Others simply can't keep up with rising costs. But thanks to your compassion, they won't have to face it alone.

Will you help meet this growing need?

Every \$63.66 you give helps provide a full day of care for a neighbor in crisis. It's a small act of kindness that opens the door to long-term change.

Your generosity provides more than meals and shelter. **You offer dignity, guidance and the support someone needs to begin again.** Case management. Housing assistance. Job readiness. Hope. These are the keys to a changed life.

You are part of every success story. You help families find their footing again and take their next steps with confidence.

Thank you for showing up when it matters most.

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