





Nashville Rescue Mission is a Christ-centered community dedicated to providing hope for today, hope for tomorrow, and hope for eternity to the hungry, homeless, and hurting in Middle Tennessee.





### THANK YOU!

Your gifts and support have made it possible for Nashville Rescue Mission to positively impact the lives of many of the homeless, hungry, and hurting right here in our community.

With a focus on three areas of ministry, our goal is to offer those in need hope: Hope for Today, Hope for Tomorrow, and Hope for Eternity.

There are many examples of how Nashville Rescue Mission has reached our goals through our programs, services, events, and activities. As I highlight just a few of these from this past year, I hope you will join me in rejoicing over the great things God has done in and through Nashville Rescue Mission.

But I know our work is never done. Every day, we will continue to ask the question—how can we best

extend God's love to the person who walks through our doors today?

Only in eternity may we know the true impact the Mission has had on the men, women, and children who come through our doors. But I can confidently say because of you and your support, housing is found, relationships are mended, and souls are added to the Kingdom.

Thank you! None of this would have been possible without your support and the faithful commitment of our staff, board, and volunteers. It is an honor to be part of such an incredible ministry!



## EXTRAVAGANT FAITH

We live in full anticipation that God will do in the ministry of Nashville Rescue Mission those things we are willing to believe Him for and trust Him to do.

Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think.

EPHESIANS 3:20 KJV

### RADICAL HOSPITALITY

We believe God has called and commissioned us to be ministers of His radical love, grace, and mercy and we demonstrate that by treating those we serve in a way that honors that calling. We make God "visible" through hospitality.

"Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven."

MATTHEW 5:16 KJV



## CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT

We never stop learning and growing, but respond to every opportunity with excitement in order to reach our full potential.

Intelligent people are always ready to learn. Their ears are open for knowledge.

PROVERBS 18:15 NLT

### **EXCELLENCE**

We turn away from minimal expectations, choose excellence in everything we do, and challenge those we lead to give their best to the ministry of Nashville Rescue Mission and the people we serve.

Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for human masters.

COLOSSIANS 3:23 NIV

## CULTURE OF HONOR

We honor those that have laid the path before us and bless those who labor among us, as we embrace the future ahead of us.

Be devoted to one another in love. Honor one another above yourselves.

ROMANS 12:10 NIV



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## **AGRM CERTIFICATION**

June 2015

Nashville Rescue Mission received the Certificate of Excellence from the Association of Gospel Rescue Missions (AGRM). This is AGRM's highest level of certification and is bestowed upon member rescue missions that model effective programming and operations, exemplifying the best of what rescue ministries can be in their service to God and those in need.





## Meeting basic needs. Right here. Right now.

Hope for Today is a hot meal for a hungry child. It is safe shelter for a single woman. It is case management for a homeless man. It is helping men and women in need prepare for employment.

At Nashville Rescue Mission, we address homelessness and hopelessness in a way that is transformational and Christ-centered. We believe in order for someone's heart to be open to change, we must first meet his or her most basic and immediate needs.

'For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.'



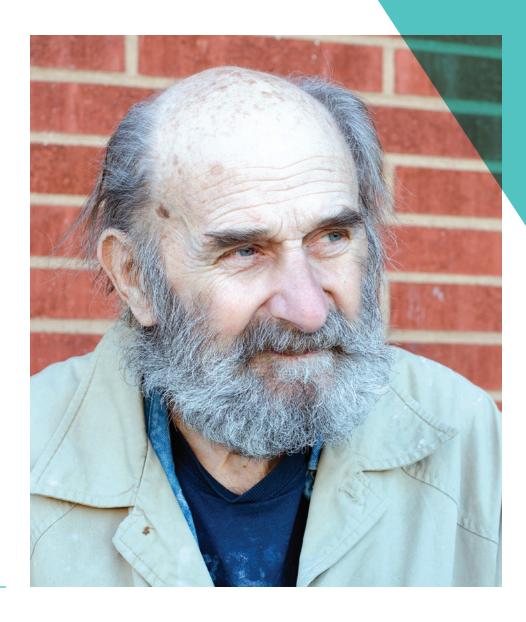
**MEALS SERVED** 



**NIGHTS OF SAFE LODGING** 



**UNDUPLICATED INDIVIDUALS** 



#### RICHARD PARKS

On the first Monday in February 2015, Richard, age 69, turned a page. He left Nashville Rescue Mission after a 524-day stay, and headed to Indiana to live with family—meeting many of them for the first time. Walking

out arm-in-arm with his sister, it was obvious Richard felt a joy long missing in his life—the blessing of family. "I WAS SHOCKED when I got the call from the Mission telling me Richard was there," said his sister

Patti. "We thought he was dead. I hadn't seen him in 34 years and the last time we spoke was in 1988. I can't wait to take him home and introduce him to his new great grandchild."

#### >> INSIDE THE STORY

Through case management and collaboration between Nashville Rescue Mission and Mental Health Cooperative's (MHC) PATH (Project for Assistance in Transitioning from Homelessness) program, Richard received comprehensive treatment for his mental health issues. After a couple of months on the right medications, Richard recalled names and telephone numbers. A few phone calls later and Richard's family was making plans to take him home. Just shy of his 70<sup>th</sup> birthday, Richard was reunited with his long-lost family.

"RICHARD FELT A JOY LONG MISSING IN HIS LIFE—THE BLESSING OF FAMILY."





## Building a new life.

Hope for Tomorrow is counseling for a man who is battling addiction. It is caring for a woman who has suffered abuse. It is giving a child a safe place to play while mom gets the help she needs. It is teaching men and women new skills that will equip them for better career opportunities.

At Nashville Rescue Mission, we assess each individual's situation and develop a plan specifically for them that will take them out of the situation they are now in and help them make plans for a better tomorrow. We believe God has a plan and a purpose for every person.

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you

and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."







#### **WILLIAM PATTERSON**

"I have two children and have never once held them while sober. Today, I am a new man in Christ. I can't wait to hold my kids and tell them I love them. After trying many times over the years to get my high school diploma, thanks to help I received from the teachers and volunteers at the Mission, I finally passed!" exclaims William. "Before, I was hopeless. Today, I want to share the joy I now know with others. I'm thankful for those who give, because your gift gives me hope. I'm looking forward to the future, and because of you, I have a future. Thank you."

#### >> INSIDE THE STORY

Through the Mission's Life Recovery Program, William participated in educational classes preparing him for the High School Equivalency exam. His access to dental care made it possible for him to get dentures and smile for the first time in years. William went on to join a local church where he was baptized. He graduated from the Mission's Life Recovery Program and is working full-time and living in his own apartment.

"TODAY, I WANT TO SHARE THE JOY I NOW KNOW WITH OTHERS."





### This is not our home.

Hope for Eternity is our banner. It is sharing the love of Jesus Christ with each person who walks through our doors. It is providing radical hospitality to someone who has spent far too many nights sleeping under a bridge. It is giving glory and honor to our Lord and Savior in everything we do and say. It is teaching those we serve that this world is not our home, and where by the grace of God and through faith in Christ, each person can receive the gift of eternal life.

...having been justified by His grace, we might become heirs having the hope of eternal life.



## "NASHVILLE RESCUE MISSION IS THE GREATEST PLACE ON EARTH!

I WENT BROKEN
and got mended,
I WENT WOUNDED
and got healed,
I WENT DESPERATE
and got rescued,
I WENT EMPTY
and got filled,
I WENT GUILTY
and was pardoned by
the grace of Jesus."

- BRANDY

graduate of the Life Recovery Program



### JILL NEELY

"I spent years homeless, stealing, lying, and manipulating everyone who crossed my path. I had no desire to live and was hospitalized many times for drug overdoses and unsuccessful suicide attempts."

"But God! He had another plan in mind for me." Just a few weeks after turning 25, Jill surrendered her life to Jesus. "God led me to Nashville Rescue Mission. There I found hope in a safe place to sleep at night. For the first time ever, I was able to recognize and experience the unconditional love and forgiveness of God. While at the Mission, I met the Lord. I trust Him today with my life and my future. He's taking care of me."

#### >> INSIDE THE STORY

Through Bible studies, parenting classes, intense counseling, work therapy, and nightly church services, Jill's life was radically changed. Since graduating from the Mission's Life Recovery Program in 2008, Jill has a career in accounting, bought a house, is pursuing her college degree, and was the guest speaker at the Mission's Inaugural Hearts of Hope event in February 2015.

"GOD LED ME TO NASHVILLE RESCUE MISSION."







## EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

## 9TH ANNUAL TRACY LAWRENCE "MISSION POSSIBLE" TURKEY FRY

November 25, 2014

Tracy Lawrence and friends fried up 500 turkeys to feed the homeless. Celebrity guests included Tennessee Titans players, cheerleaders, and various country music songwriters, artists, etc.

## INAUGURAL HEARTS OF HOPE BANQUET

February 14, 2015

Over 500 women and men joined Nashville Rescue Mission in honoring the women who call the Mission their temporary home. Featured speaker was Jill Neely, a 2008 graduate from the Mission's Life Recovery Program. Reba McEntire and Caroline Kole provided special entertainment. The Mission received 243 gifts totaling over \$66,000.







## INAUGURAL VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION EVENT

April 17, 2015

In honor of National Volunteer Appreciation Week, Nashville Rescue Mission recognized numerous volunteers for their incredible acts of service to the Mission. Honorees were treated to a special lunch and award presentation. In 2015, the Mission saw over 30,000 volunteer engagements, resulting in 71,000 hours of donated time and service to the homeless.

### MUSIC WITH A MISSION

October 18, 2015

This magical evening of musical entertainment featured some of Nashville's most talented singers, songwriters, and performers along with the Nashville Symphony, conducted by Jim Gray. This year's event included The Gatlin Brothers, The Isaacs, Mo Pitney, Charlie McCoy, Clark Beckham, and more.

# UNVEILING OF LOBBY RENOVATION AT MEN'S CAMPUS

September 10, 2015

A special reception was held to celebrate the opening of the Mission's new lobby. Members of The Frist Foundation, T.W. Frierson, Inc., and Mission staff and Board enjoyed celebrating the grand opening.



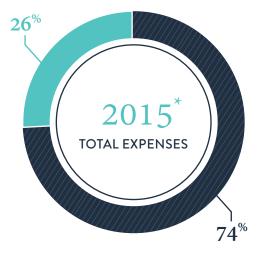
## There are many ways you can give hope.

Lifting a hurting person out of homelessness takes teamwork—many people coming together to meet both physical and relational needs over the long haul. Each time a person serves in the kitchen, teaches a class, makes a donation, drops off clothing, organizes a food drive, leads chapel, or prays for Nashville Rescue Mission—the impact is felt throughout the entire ministry. Lives are changed every day because of you.

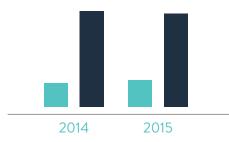
Partner with us in bringing hope to the destitute men, women, and children in Nashville's homeless community.

## **FINANCIALS**

FISCAL YEAR







\* For period of October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2015.

CONTRIBUTIONS	2014	2015
Individuals, Businesses, and Others Gifts-In-Kind Other	\$10,258,432 \$3,140,182 \$127,663	\$10,459,195 \$2,832,217 \$89,495
Total Public Support Contributions	\$13,526,277	\$13,380,907
EXPENSES		
Program Services Food and Clothing Distribution Guest Services Recovery Services Public Awareness	\$3,320,645 \$4,154,023 \$2,289,446 \$526,045	\$3,050,385 \$4,191,821 \$2,403,299 \$395,385
Total Program Services	\$10,290,159	\$10,043,890
Supporting Services General and Administrative Fundraising	\$898,583 \$2,158,327	\$1,051,192 \$2,477,155
Total Supporting Services	\$3,056,910	\$3,525,347
TOTAL EXPENSES Change in Net Assets	<b>\$13,347,069</b> \$179,208	<b>\$13,572,237</b> (\$191,330)



637,099



282,914 Nights of Safe Lodging



**7,522** Unduplicated Individuals



102 Life Recovery Program



High School Equivalency (HSE) Graduates



**71,845**Volunteer Hours

