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ROCKY MOUNTAIN
REFUGE
for end of life care

rockymountainrefuge.org

Dear Neighbor,

We are very pleased to announce that we are open as of 2/14/2022!!!

Rocky Mountain Refuge is a specialized shelter for people experiencing terminal illness and homelessness.

According to data collected by Metro Denver Homeless Initiative (MDHI) and several other direct service organizations, at least 269 people experiencing homelessness passed away in the Denver Metro area in 2021. (Source: Colorado Coalition for the Homeless Death Review 2021)

People with terminal illness but no home have very few options:

- Emergency rooms and ICUs are expensive (often to the taxpayers) and not a good setting for end-of-life care.
- Most hospice agencies deliver care in your home. That works if you *have* a home.
- Hospice patients need privacy and stability that emergency shelters cannot offer.

Rocky Mountain Refuge has partnered with Denver Rescue Mission, who has provided us very suitable rooms at their Crossings facility on Smith Road.

Our staff and volunteers provide companionship and non-medical care like help with laundry and cleaning. Hospice agencies then can provide skilled nursing and physician services for end-of-life care.

Our mission is to offer ***a dignified alternative to dying alone on the street*** for those with terminal illness.

There is more detailed information on the website, rockymountainrefuge.org

How can you help?

- Like every non-profit, Rocky Mountain Refuge needs funds: [You can donate here](#). Any amount truly makes a difference! *Grant foundations like to see a broad base of donors.*
- Spread the word: Forward this to friends and business associates.
- Volunteer:
 - On-site, you can be a direct part of providing people a comfortable place to live during their last days.
 - If you want to help the Board (either as a member or an extra pair of hands), [contact](#) us. There is a lot of work to be done getting ready!

We know you get many requests for your time and money. Any help you can provide helps make a difference for people in a vulnerable and dire situation.

Thank you in advance for your gift and/or participation!

The Rocky Mountain Refuge Board

Rocky Mountain Refuge is a Colorado Non-Profit Corporation with approved 501(c)3 status, offering shelter for end-of-life care regardless of a person's race, color, religion (creed), gender, gender expression, age, national origin (ancestry), disability, marital status, sexual orientation, or military status.

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