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*Helping the Hurting and the
Homeless
in the Name of Jesus Christ.*

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As the first day of summer approaches, most of us are thinking about gardening projects, fishing trips, fresh watermelons and 4th of July festivities. On top of that, there are baseball games, grilled hamburgers, pool parties and camping trips. The list could go on and on with many amazing sights, sounds and flavors of summer.

Unfortunately, there is one more item to add to the summer list... late payroll at the Rescue Mission. Yes, we are moving into that time of year when our monthly cash flow is not able to keep up with our regular ministry needs. Our winter reserves have been used up, helping us through the spring season and now the barns are empty. **It is my hope that during this crucial time of need, our great community of donors and ministry partners can rise to the occasion and help fill the gap.**

If you're like me, you want to make sure that any gift you make to a non-profit is actually doing the work you expect it to do. Well let me remind you what your donation to the Norfolk Rescue Mission is accomplishing.

First, the number one goal of the Rescue Mission is to promote the Gospel of Jesus Christ among those who need it so desperately. Your gifts make this possible every day. With hospitable dorms, a staff to manage them and an evangelistic message at Chapel every evening, our guests have plenty of opportunities to turn to the Savior. They come with a host of issues and challenges specific to their individual lives, yet all of them share the common need to hear of the glorious Gospel!

Second, your gifts enable us to provide for the material needs of the hurting and homeless. We can offer clean, safe beds, hot showers, weekly laundry, local phone service, a new wardrobe, and sometimes even things like work boots, school supplies, bicycles and other critical items.

On top of these services, your donations help to support our huge kitchen ministry. **If Rescue Ministry could be boiled down to just two core elements these would be the Gospel and Food!** Our kitchen and dining hall accumulate a lot of mileage each day. On average we serve about 75 plates a day. That means more than 2,000 plates of food are served each month and about 27,000 plates are served each year! Thank you for helping to make this possible.

Ultimately, your gifts and donations are funding a 24/7 missionary endeavor to the hurting and homeless of northeast Nebraska. Most often, people think of missionaries as those who travel to the other end of the globe. They can certainly do that. However, not all missionaries travel. I only drive 2 miles to work each day, but all day long I'm serving in the mission field.

According to the book of Romans, missionaries not only need the call of God to go, but also need the sending of the body of Christ. We are so happy to "go" to work each day, representing Christ to the least, the last and the lost.

Are you willing to send us? Your gifts at this time would be most appreciated. Summer fundraising is not easy. Anything you can do to help alleviate this great shortfall would be such a blessing.

We are so glad that we work for an amazing, sovereign God. We continue to trust in His providential care and know that He will not let us down. He may test us for a season, but He always provides and with great generosity. I'm so glad that we have you on the team as well. Thank you for being a partner in this great missions project.

Glad to be sent,


Pastor Will