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Help Us Be Good Stewards!

Summer is flying by and I hope that you are all enjoying the sunshine and fresh air if you are comfortable being outside during the pandemic. Summer is flying by for us at the Mission as well and God is good and helps us to provide for as many of their needs as possible.

We are continuing to pray daily for the safety of our community in the midst of the pandemic. We are a strong community that helps each other out and amazing things are happening as neighbors help neighbors in big and small ways - just as God intended.

I would like to remind people that the proceeds from our Thrift Store go to the Women and Children's Home so we can provide safe childcare, advocacy services and food and shelter for homeless women and children. If you are in the mood to declutter, downsize or purge, please think about dropping off items at Cornerstone Thrift Store, located at 401 11th Street. We take anything that is gently used and in good repair (furniture, household items, clothing, linens, etc.) Whatever you have in your home can be used in someone else's

home! Also, if you have clothes, bedding and linens that are stained, torn, etc., please don't put them in the trash. Bring them down to our store as we can help recycle them for you. And shoes.....please bring old shoes to us as well so we can recycle them vs. having them end up in the landfill. We are starting a used/worn out clothing and shoe drive this fall so please help us help the environment, provide jobs for others and be good stewards of all God has given us!

Stay safe during the Rally!
Peace, Lysa

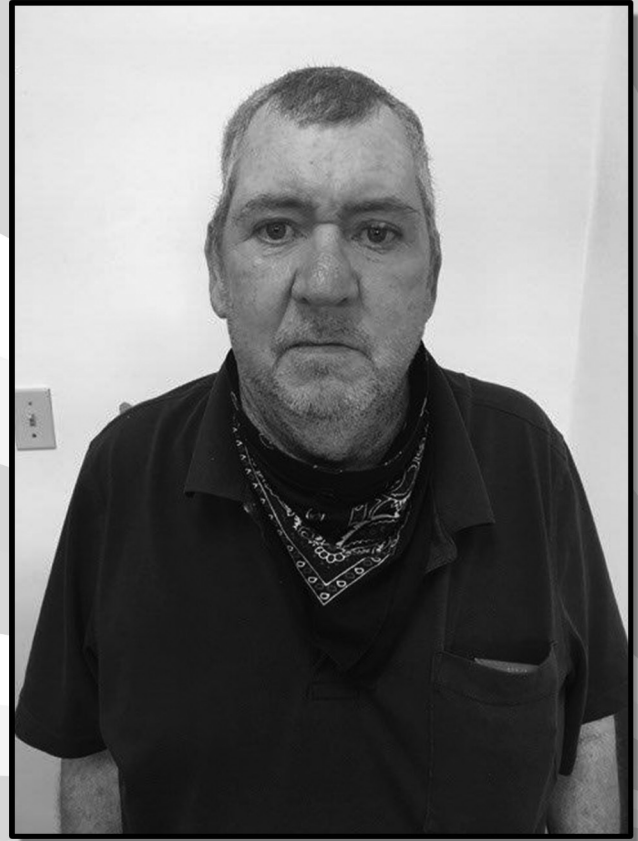


Mission Voices

Mr. Bayard (Ottis) Campbell is originally from Tennessee. He first came to South Dakota as a child as his father was in the Air Force. Ottis loved it here in South Dakota and stated that he wished the family would have never left. Many years passed and Ottis decided to return to South Dakota, where he moved in to share rent with another gentleman. It did not take him long to realize that this gentleman had a drug problem. Not wanting to be around that activity, he left the apartment. Without any money and nowhere to go, Ottis came to Cornerstone in mid June.

Ottis was so happy to have a safe place to stay, and shortly after arriving started to donate his time assisting the Cornerstone kitchen staff by making sack lunches for the gentlemen who work during the day and the sack lunches that are given out to the public in the evening. He also assists with putting away donations and anything else they need help with in the kitchen. Ottis states **“Cornerstone is a great place. They were there when I needed them; and now I am here for them. Treat people how you want to be treated.”** Ottis is now working with a Cornerstone case manager to figure out his “next steps”.

Thanks Ottis for your willingness to help out in the Cornerstone kitchen and for your uplifting attitude!



A Generous Gift



Teena Conrad, SSVF Program Manager, received a check from Rod Holmes of the Rapid City Elks Lodge #1187 for \$2,500.

We send a big Thanks to our friends at the Elks Lodge for this generous gift!

Valley View Sends a Hug

Elementary kids are so fun - you just want to hug every one of them! The students from Valley View Elementary certainly gave Cornerstone a "Hug". During the month of February they did their Share The Love fundraiser and again blessed Cornerstone with the proceeds.

The students sold suckers and the staff donated their Friday jeans money. Altogether they raised \$590! In addition, they collected many grocery and personal care items for our guests. Unfortunately, we did not get a picture of the kids due to the early closing of school. Cornerstone sends a big Thank You and Hug to all the students and staff of Valley View Elementary for this generous gift!



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Sun & FUN



A wonderful group from Corsica Dakota Christian School helped us out in the Thrift Store. They accomplished a lot!

Needs List:

MEN'S MISSION
30 Main St.

KITCHEN

Fruits and vegetables, eggs, milk, coffee, sugar, oatmeal, pancake mix
Cream of mushroom or chicken soup all kinds of meat.

MISSION:

Foot powder, towels, twin-sized blankets, twin-sized sheets, reading glasses, bottled water for sack lunches, personal hygiene items for men & women, backpacks.

CORNERSTONE THRIFT STORE
401 - 11th Street

Beds, furniture and appliances, kitchen items, home décor.

WOMEN & CHILDREN'S HOME
301 Fox Run Drive

Coffee, eggs, milk, cereal, sandwich bread, butter, sugar, laundry soap, dish soap, baby wash, baby lotion, kleenex, clorox wipes and personal hygiene items.

VETERANS - 30 Main St.

Shoes, boots, sugar, creamer, antiperspirant, lotion, backpacks, coffee.

APARTMENTS
1220 East Blvd.

Dish soap household cleaners, toilet paper and laundry soap

ADOPT A FAMILY

Gas cards, oil changes, laundry soap, dish soap, toilet paper, household items.

Thank You!!

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO CORNERSTONE RESCUE MISSION
(The enclosed envelope is for your convenience. We are serving more people every day. Your help is appreciated!)