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THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS!

On Saturday, May 14th we hosted a Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast where over 80 volunteers attended. We are so grateful for all of the help that we receive. We have five sites across town (our men's mission, our Women and Children's Home, our Thrift Store, our Dear One's Day Care, and Cornerstone Apartments) so the need is great and continues to grow.

Several years ago, I had the privilege to be a part of a group of women who went on a mission trip to Paraguay. Our visit had four objectives. The First objective was to minister hope and love to women who were in prison. I had the opportunity to tour the prison, and it was incredibly heartbreaking to see the deplorable conditions they were living in. With the help of a translator, I was able to help them with the next objective, which was to set up domestic violence shelters as it was a new concept in their country. Our third objective was to train women to speak on the radio. At that time, Paraguay had no mail service, and all of their mail was hand written notes that were put in little mail boxes across the country. These notes were collected daily and read over the radio. Every household had a radio given to them by the government so all could "hear" the mail. So yes, everyone heard everyone's mail and knew who was visiting who when and who was going to the doctor when. Can you imagine? Therefore we wanted to train women to talk on the radio so they could host a women's program to give tips on homemaking and health care as it was the primary means of communication. Our fourth objective encompassed all of them – it was to bring a spirit of volunteerism into a country that had no concept of what volunteerism was – and did not really even have a word in their vocabulary to express volunteerism.

When I went to Paraguay I couldn't understand how people did not know what volunteerism was. America has always been a country that volunteers – it's in our blood! As the director of Cornerstone

Rescue Mission, I have a renewed sense of the importance of volunteerism and how important it is to both give and receive. I cannot thank our volunteers enough. We really could not meet the needs of our guests and community without your assistance and I hope you know how needed and appreciated you are. If you are interested in volunteering for any of our sites, please contact volunteer@ cornertonemission.org or call Deb Berg at 718-8712. We have several opportunities already, or you can let us know what your gifts are and we can create a place for you.



LADIES AT THE VOLUNTEER BREAKFAST

MISSION VOICES

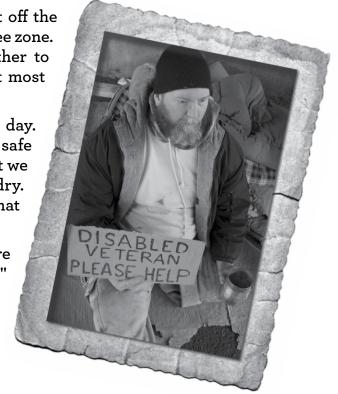
Last month we gave honor to those who gave their lives so that we could live freely. This month some of the Veterans wanted to thank the community for all you do in support of the homeless Veterans at the Mission. We wanted to share their thoughts with you as your donations enable us to serve them. Here are their voices.....

"I'm glad the mission is helping people get off the streets and promoting a drug and alcohol free zone. I'm thankful that most people work together to better one another. I am also thankful that most people share with one another." - Ron

"I'm glad we get coffee, and three meals a day. I'm also thankful that we get a clean and safe environment to live. I am also thankful that we have showers, as well as a place to do laundry. I'm thankful for helpful staff members that care about vets." - Charles

"I'm glad to have a place to stay. If it were not for this place I would be on the streets." - Nick

"As all things are it is what you make of it, but the environment, staff, and resources are all there and practically guarantee success." - KG



Cornerstone feels privileged to take care of the Veterans who gave so much. Thanks to our Veterans at Cornerstone and to ALL Veterans!

Please remember Cornerstone when you have extra garden produce this summer. Donations can be brought to 30 Main Street at any time. Thanks!





Did you know that if you are a member of Thrivent Financial you may be able to direct Choice Dollars[®] and Action Teams to the Cornerstone Rescue Mission?

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Meeds List

MEN'S MISSION

30 Main St.
KITCHEN:

Cereal, canned fruit, coffee, sugar, creamer, oatmeal, milk, eggs, meat, food of any kind MISSION:

Twin-sized blankets and fitted sheets, Toothbrushes/paste, deodorant, razors, travel-size shampoo, backpacks

VETERANS

30 Main St.
Shaving cream & razors, shoes & boots, backpacks, underwear & T-shirts, coffee

WOMEN & CHILDREN'S HOME

301 Fox Run Drive
Laundry & dishwasher
soap pods
Laundry baskets
Dressers
Bookshelves
Twin-size rubberbacked mattress
pads, Cleaning
supplies
Coffee & creamer

APARTMENTS

Dish soap
household cleaners
ADOPT A FAMILY: Gas
cards, oil changes,
laundry & dish
soap, toilet paper,
household things

DEAR ONES CHILD CARE

2901 Wisconsin Avenue
Baby wipes & pull-ups
Food processor
Canned or fresh fruits
& vegetables
Infant swing
Infant bouncer
Hand or electric air
pump
Small microwave

CORNERSTONE THRIFT STORE

401 - 11th Street
Beds, household
furniture, household
appliances,
kitchen items,
home décor

Cornerstone Rescue Mission 5k Fun Run

We invite you to participate as a Sponsor of the 4rd Annual Cornerstone Rescue Mission 5k Fun Run. This event will raise money to support the homeless of our community. The event will be held Saturday, August 13th at Sioux Park.

As a GOLD, SILVER or BRONZE sponsor your business name will be printed on our Fun Run T-shirts. If you would like your logo on the shirt, please email the logo to me before July 20th at dberg@cornerstonemission.org.

Please send check and form to Cornerstone at PO Box 2188, Rapid City, SD 57709
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Thank you for considering becoming a Fun Run sponsor!