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## THE NEED CONTINUES TO BE GREAT

It's been a busy summer for us and we've had the opportunity to meet some wonderful people in our community that are very supportive of Cornerstone Mission and all the work that we do. Most people are real surprised to find the depth of services that we provide in the Rapid City area and I thought I would share a bit about what we do.

Cornerstone Rescue Mission is in downtown Rapid City and five programs are run out of this building: a men's emergency shelter, a veteran's transitional living facility, Supportive Services for Veterans Family's grant that houses veterans statewide, overflow for our always full Women & Children's Home and our public soup kitchen where many of you volunteer and/or donate. Case management for our guests includes removing barriers and finding housing and employment and working on mental health, sobriety and other healthy living goals. Community agencies partner with us and come to the Mission to work with our clientele and help them with employment, economic assistance, recovery

groups, payee services and a host of other needs. Our public soup kitchen is free to anyone in the community in need of food and we have several people outside the Mission that come in for a hot, nutritious meal. Our mission beds are always full and we have 20-30 women sleeping on the floor waiting for a bed to open at our Women and Children's Home. The need continues to be great and we fill the needs the best way we can. Thank you for helping us meet the needs of so many in our community.

Mark your calendars for September 9th to visit MudWest at the Central States Fairground - a fun mud festival for folks of all ages. Please see the ad on the back page. And for those of you who don't want to get muddy

- it will be a lot of fun watching the mud obstacle course and other mud games. Live music and food will be available and it will be a great family oriented event sponsored by Leadership Rapid City. All proceeds benefit the guests of Cornerstone Rescue Mission - hope to see you there!

Peace, Lysa



## MICHELLE POPE HELPS OUT

We are proud to announce that Michelle Pope was named the Volunteer of the Month for August, 2017 through the Volunteer of the Month Program sponsored by the Helpline Center and Black Hills Urgent Care, which is a division of Black Hills Surgical Hospital.

Maryann Leanna, Program Director of the Cornerstone Apartments, nominated Michelle because "She is always quick to volunteer, never asking for anything in return, and takes great pride in anything she does. She is so motivated and a great tenant and friend."

Lynn Taylor Rick from the Helpline Center and Kathy Lees from Black Hills Urgent Care presented Michelle with a framed certificate and a Helpline Center T-shirt, gifts from Black Hills Urgent Care, and a letter of appreciation from Rapid City Mayor Steve Allender.

Way to go Michelle - We are proud of you!



Kathy Lees (BH Surgical Hospital), Michelle, Maryann & Lynn Taylor Rick (Helpline Center)



*Penny with some of the awesome store volunteers.*



*Store staff and workers.*



## FRIENDS OF CORNERSTONE



^ The Cars For A Cause group did a Cars For Vets event and brought a donation to the Veterans of Cornerstone. Nice!!



<< Sue Markley brought in 40 neck coolers, she personally made for our guests. Thanks Sue!

# Award Winning STORE

I always knew we had a great thrift store but now it has been officially confirmed. The Best Things South Dakota website rated the Cornerstone Thrift Store as being the 7th best thrift store in the whole state! How awesome is that!

Through donations from the generous people of the Black Hills area, you can find clothing, shoes, jewelry, furniture, housewares, décor, holiday decorations, and much more. The selection changes daily and you just never know what you might find. At times we even have brand new items donated. The proceeds from the thrift store support the Women & Children's Home and other Cornerstone programs.

Penny Lingenfelter, Program Manger of the Thrift Store, says "It's an awesome feeling knowing that the public is helping us provide for others and keeping our store full of a wonderful selection for our shoppers. We have a wonderful group of people who surround us daily. Our volunteers process about half of the donations and we couldn't do it without their selfless commitments. The staff here are some of the nicest and most compassionate people working with the public. So everything comes together with an entire team of hard workers, caring volunteers, generous donors, and awesome shoppers."

Thanks to everyone who donates and shops at the Cornerstone Thrift Store!

### Thrift store hours:

**Monday: 10:00 to 5:00**

**Tuesday thru Saturday: 9:00 to 5:00**

**Donations accepted until 4:00 Monday thru Saturday**

# DIAPERS, DIAPERS... WHO NEEDS A DIAPER?

The little ones of the Women & Children's Home  
- that's who needs diapers - TONS of DIAPERS!

Black Hills Community Bank came to the rescue, once again, to the mothers and children of Cornerstone. During the month of June the bank held their 7th annual Diaper Drive, along with a silent auction, and raised a total of 46,931 diapers. This is up from about 44,000 diapers last year. I heard a "rumor" that they are shooting for 50,000 next year. YOWZA!!

We want to send a big THANK YOU to Black Hills Community Bank and the people of this community

for once again supporting this annual drive. We also want to send a shout-out to A to Z Shredding for their large diaper donation and to everyone that donated to the silent auction.

The ladies at the Women & Children's Home face so many challenges and taking the stress of trying to figure out how to buy diapers off their minds is such a blessing. We thank you all!



Lysa checking out the silent auction items.



## M.G. OIL KNOCKS THE BALL OUT OF THE GOLF COURSE

On June 23rd M.G. Oil/Corner Pantry hosted their 8th annual "Homeless But Not Hopeless" golf tournament at Red Rocks Golf Course with the help of many generous sponsors. They completely filled up the golf course this year with 44 teams of golfers and had a fun BBQ afterwards. We were blown away by the number of people who participated - and even more surprised by the amount of the check we received - \$24,000! This money will go a long ways in

helping us provide food, shelter, and case management for the women, children, men, and veterans of Cornerstone! Cornerstone sends a hearty Thanks to M.G. Oil/Corner Pantry, the many generous sponsors, Red Rocks Golf Course, the volunteers who donated their time, and the golfers who made it a fun party. We are super blessed and humbled by the fact that so many wonderful people have been making this event happen for eight years! Thank You!

# Needs List

## MEN'S MISSION

30 Main St.

### KITCHEN:

Fruits and vegetables  
Eggs, Milk, Coffee, Sugar,  
Oatmeal, Pancake mix  
Hot dogs, Chips  
Ketchup  
Cream of Mushroom  
or Chicken soup

### MISSION:

Foot powder  
Towels, Blankets  
Twin-sized sheets  
Cold weather outerwear  
Reading glasses

## CORNERSTONE THRIFT STORE

401 - 11th Street

Beds, household furniture,  
household appliances,  
kitchen items,  
home décor

## WOMEN & CHILDREN'S HOME

301 Fox Run Drive

Coffee, Eggs  
Milk, Cereal  
Sandwich bread  
Butter  
Laundry/dish soap

## CHILD CARE

2901 Wisconsin Avenue

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

## VETERANS

30 Main St.

Shaving cream & razors, shoes  
& boots, backpacks,  
underwear & T-shirts, coffee

## APARTMENTS

1220 East Blvd.

Dish soap  
household cleaners

### ADOPT A FAMILY:

Gas cards, oil changes,  
laundry & dish soap, toilet  
paper, household things

All Proceeds to Benefit:



SHOW ME THE  
MUDDY!

# Mud West Fun Fest

LRC  
CLASS  
2016

RAPID CITY, SD | CENTRAL STATES FAIRGROUNDS

**SATURDAY**  
**9.9.17**

**\$20** ADULTS  
(Includes T-shirt)\*

**\$5** CHILD  
6-12

**FREE!** CHILDREN  
5 & UNDER

**\$40** FAMILY  
(Limit 5 People  
& 2 T-shirts)\*

\*Pre-registration required to guarantee T-shirt

*Kids' Mud Zone*

*Corporate Challenge &*

*10am Mudstacle Course*

*11am Mud Volleyball Tourney*

*5pm-8pm Live Music*

**Mud Events  
Open to Public!**

More Information & Registration at:

[www.MudWestFunFest.com](http://www.MudWestFunFest.com)

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(The enclosed envelope is for your convenience. We are serving more people every day. Your help is appreciated!)