



“Look at what the Lord has done... through you!!”

I say this with great awe and wonderment at the accomplishments the Mission has been able to achieve this past year. I can truthfully say that no man can stand before God and say, “Look what I was able to accomplish with my own skills, talents or resources.” In spite of a downturn in the economy, God has stirred in each and every one of you the desire to heed His gentle urging, to sacrificially give so that all of our current ministries never stumbled from a lack of resources.

Even more amazing, you gave with such zeal that our Big Dream of a new community for women and children is quickly becoming a reality! All this to the glory and honor of Jesus Christ!

As you read our special Lighthouse News and our 2011 *In Review* insert...may you hear your heart echo, “Look at what the Lord has done!!”

“A MAN MAY GO TO HEAVEN - without health...without wealth...without fame...without a great name...without learning...without big earnings...without culture...without beauty...without friends...without ten thousand other things... BUT HE CAN NEVER GO TO HEAVEN WITHOUT JESUS CHRIST.”

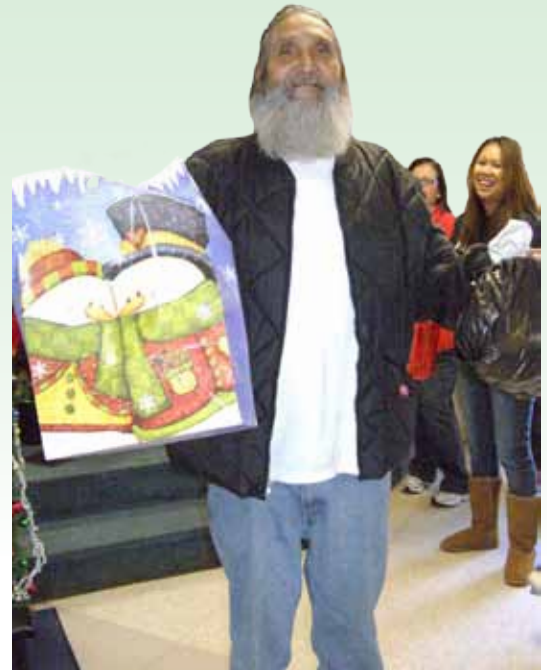
Rev. Larry J. Arce, CEO
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**2011
In Review**

Community Care

In 2011 we restructured our ministries to prepare for the changes coming in 2012. Part of this process included capturing the essence of what we do in the labeling of ministry flow. The department of *Community Care* was developed and the role of staff and the men who serve our guests transitioned as well.

Within the *Community Care* department are all the “first touch” ministries addressing the needs of those still trapped in the homelessness cycle: *Safe Area*, *Fresno Medical Respite Center* (our newest ministry, established July 2011), *Overnight Shelter for Men*, and *General Services* (Clothing Warehouse, Mail Services, Messages and Community Bulletin Board.)



Meals Served

Homeless Guests	112,670
Safe Area	308
Respite Care	1,905

Bed Days

Homeless Guests	41,429
Safe Area	308
Respite Care	679

Individuals Served

		Men	Women	Children
Homeless Guests	948	948	0	0
Safe Area	308	304	4	0
Respite Care	22	22	0	0
Total	1,278	1,274	4	0

Transforming Life Programs

Transformation takes place when first the mind is renewed (Romans 12:2.) Program alone is not enough. The Academy and Samaritan Women's programs offer tremendous life-skills and work experience training for men and women who are transitioning from a life of addiction and pain. At the heart of all we do and say is Christ. Not all who first enter our programs make it. More than half will drop out before the end of their first quarter. Total life change is not easy, but it is necessary in overcoming the obstacles they now face. Our doors and services remain open to receive them when they finally reach rock bottom.



Meals Served

Academy	107,800
Samaritan Women	5,775
Short-Term Care	22,488

Bed Days

Academy	43,402
Samaritan Women	2,190
Short-Term Care	7,515

Individuals Served

		Men	Women
Academy	495	495	0
Samaritan Women	13 *	0	13
Short-Term Care	326	30	97
Total	834	525	110

**Residential program only - not including 338 Women enrolled in outpatient programs through Samaritan Women*

Children

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199
199



In 2011 we began revamping aspects of each program to make ready for the exciting changes coming in 2012. As we draw nearer to the opening of our new Rescue the Children Community, these enhanced elements will allow us the greatest opportunity to restore the broken families we meet.

In 2011, **32 couples** participated in marriage counseling and couples group, actively working toward restoring their broken relationships.

Transition & Triumph

When men and women successfully navigate the residential portions of our recovery programs, they transition into Aftercare, the last phase before completion. Typically this is the point of their program when they reunite with their families. By the time they reach this point in the program, our hope is that they have made monumental strides, achieved miraculous results, and traversed far beyond the scope any program could ever hope to offer had Christ not been present. Here are just a sampling of the things Christ can do that we cannot.

There were **78 men** and **9 women** who entered **Career Employment Services**. Of these, **70 men** and **7 women** completed this mandatory 4th quarter curriculum. **184 women** were served through the **Clothing Closet**, **40** for Job Search or Interviews.

Of these, **55 men** and **7 women** found gainful employment. Additionally, **10 men** and **1 woman** entered adult education or college (**6** are working *and* going to school.)

Through Samaritan Women, **14 men** and **44 women** graduated **Parenting Class** (a court recognized and mandated program.)

Education plays a major roll in navigating a successful program.

There were **45 men** and **2 women** enrolled in **GED**. There were also **18 men** enrolled in **Literacy**. Many were so low in their scholastic abilities when they began, they continued on with their classes beyond the length of our programs. Of those who completed the studies within 18 months, **6 men** received their **GED** and 4 others are still taking their tests toward completion.

There are four specific goals we set for our program participants:

- Having a vibrant relationship with Jesus Christ
- Conquering their addictions
- Restoration with their families
- Becoming productive members of society



In 2011, **40 men** and **4 women** were baptized either at the Mission or in their own church, and roughly **25 men** and **123 women** made recommitments to the Lord. (These statistics include outpatient program through Samaritan Women.)

BattleZONE, a program introduced into the Academy in 2010, deeply enhances the fight against addictions through discipleship and training. In its first full year, **66 men** completed **BattleZONE** (half of whom went through it more than once, and of these, **8 men** became **BattleZONE** coaches.

In October 2011, **48 men** and **2 women** received their certificate of completion of the 18 month program during our Annual Fall Celebration Banquet.



2011 AT A GLANCE

Each year the Fresno Rescue Mission participates in internal and external audits. The financial information included in this publication is unaudited and is provided to give you a glimpse of how your support is being utilized.

Total Services Provided in 2011

Meals Served	Beds Provided
256,175	95,523
Daily Average	Daily Average
702	262

Sources of Support

Individuals	77%
Businesses	13%
Churches	3%
Foundations	5%
Other	2%

Annual Donations

Donations	\$2,874,623
Rescue the Children Donations	\$1,868,789
Total Donations	\$4,743,412

Who We Served

Men	1,799	85.2%
Women	114	5.4%
Children	199	9.4%
Total	2,112	

As the Mission expands its services to women and children, additional costs in the categories of fundraising and management were necessary in 2011 to renovate the property for Rescue the Children, due to open 2012.

How Your Dollar Helps

Program	72%
Fundraising	19%
Administration	9%

Our Faithful Community



In 2011, the people of our community rallied behind every challenge we put before them. The outpouring of care and support continues forward into 2012. We couldn't do what we do without you. Together, we are making a difference! Here is just a sampling of the individuals sharing their time to make what we do better.

Through **Samaritan Women**, **144 volunteers** (average per month) logged in **6832 hours** of volunteer time in 2011! Volunteers in this snapshot consisted of mentors, tutors and instructors. There were also **70+ Pen Pals** encouraging women behind bars with **917 pieces of correspondence** - and a total of **517 jail visits** by volunteers.

Through the **Academy**, an average of **92 volunteer mentors, teachers and tutors** logged in roughly **3650 hours** of service in 2011. In **Food Services and Community Care**, our schools, groups, service organizations and individuals (supporting special events and daily ministry activities on Mission property) averaged **71 volunteers** per month and **5190 service hours**. In total, the Fresno Rescue Mission had the help of **over 1100 individuals** in 2011! Amazing!

LOOKING FORWARD

God's timing is always perfect. We anticipate the opening of Rescue the Children during the second quarter of 2012. The renovation should be completely paid for by the opening date. The next challenge is to continue to raise the additional \$1.2 million it will take to run the community each year. We are on our way towards this goal, but would love to have your help.

Case management has become an important factor in all our ministries, including our Overnight Shelter for Men. The goal in 2012 will be to help homeless men find what they need to re-engage in the community quickly, rather than being stuck in the cycle of homelessness. Community Care – Transitioning men from homelessness, back to the community.

The Mission is always looking for new ways to help the needy of our community, engaging in partnerships with other local organizations, but always keeping first things first... our relationship with Christ as the foundation of all we do. Can't wait to see what God does in 2012!