



“...the kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which a man found and hid; and for joy over it he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.”

Matthew 13:44

Friends,

God has blessed the Fresno Rescue Mission and all whom we serve beyond measure! Though we try to capture a brief snapshot of the lives touched through our statistical data, we know the stories don't end there. They are just beginning...

2012 In REVIEW

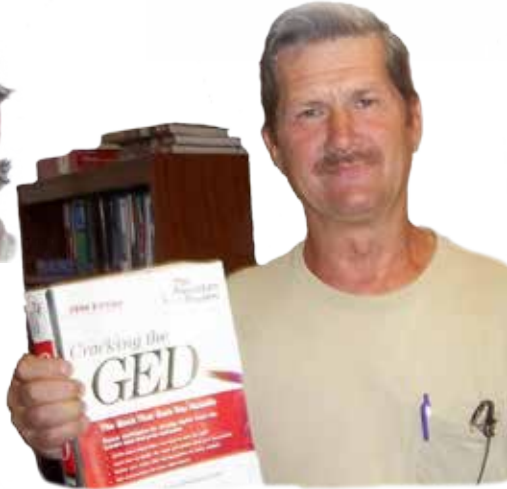
New in 2012...

Case Management

It takes time, relationship and careful attention to detail to help individuals navigate through their steps toward recovery. This crucial ministry piece became an integral facet in all our programs and processes last year.



BEFORE



Mark graduated from our Academy program October 5, 2012. He is taking his final exam soon to attain his GED!



It's imperative that we keep ourselves aware of changes and shifts in the populations we serve. Last year, we found it necessary to make several changes in our ministry processes to ensure we were not enabling our guests or exacerbating their circumstances by failing to recognize their real needs. By adding simple measures to hold our guests accountable, we began to recognize immediate blessings! Our overnight guests felt safer, they openly engaged with our staff, and they began to find immediate help, reconnecting back into the community within DAYS! Some of these blessings occurred because of process shifts; others, because God blessed us with more space and better use of our facilities!

SERVICES

Food Services

Breakfast & Lunch	45,064
Dinner	50,868
Tuesday Luncheons	2,160
Saturday Breakfasts	1,300
Special Events	1,675
Respite Care	3,863
Family Shelter	4,947
Samaritan Women & Rescued Children	18,696
Academy	93,142
TOTAL MEALS SERVED	221,715

Safe Rest

Overnight Shelter	32,293
<i>Accounting for 1,214 unique individuals served</i>	
Respite Care	1,661
Safe Area	176
Family Shelter	1,904
Rescued Children	9,125
Academy	30,676
TOTAL BED NIGHTS	75,835

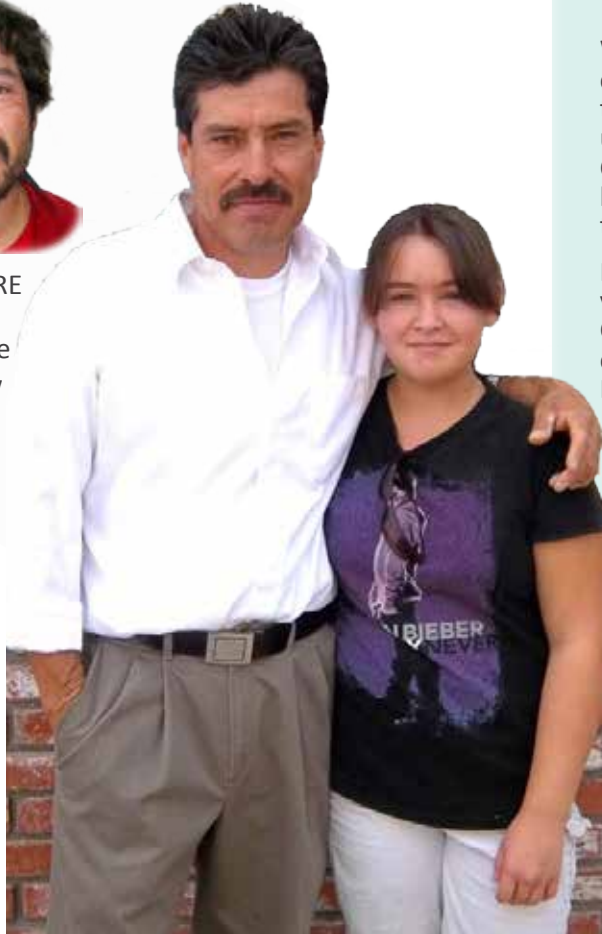
Sharing the Gospel

Chapel Service Attendance	36,412
Altar Calls	1,899

PROGRAMS & COMMUNITIES



BEFORE



Just as in the parable of the wheat and tares (Matthew 13:24-30), what God intended for good, the enemy can attempt to destroy. We must be careful never to judge with our eyes the beauty in God's creation. We can be so easily fooled by the enemy's vices. Rather, we should let the *Good Seed* of Jesus be sown in our hearts and share it throughout the world. It's amazing to experience what God has planned when we, His children, take hold of the Truth!

The Academy

When our Rescue the Children community opened, the Academy began to restructure its program and facility use, in conjunction with Community Care. Read about the tremendous blessings we are experiencing in less than 6 months (page 6).

Men enter our 18 month program for a variety of reasons. It takes strength in Christ and a commitment to total life change to truly experience recovery. Relationships are key!

2011 Carry Over	128
Court Committed	71
Walk-In	169
Total Enrollment	368

Roughly 60% were baptized in their church or recommitted their lives to Christ while in our care. 114 found gainful employment, even if not completing the program with us. Over 80% experienced restored relationships with loved ones, and 35 completed the program, walking across the stage during our Annual Fall Celebration Banquet in cap n' gown to receive their certificate of completion!

Rescue the Children

This new community opened October 2012. Though we will eventually strive toward full capacity of 75 women and 100 children over the next few years, we continue to build the parameters, so as to avoid putting our women and children at risk. It will take time to prepare all the incredible elements in store for this amazing community. To date, it is achieving incredible results!

While we were still operating as a Samaritan Women ministry and an Emergency Family Shelter, gradually phasing into Rescue the Children, we experienced mixed results:

Women served	44
Children served	71
Women gaining employment	6
Program Graduates	3
Out-patient service participants	343
Active Mentors	15
Volunteers	1459
Volunteer service hours	4655

Greg, pictured here with his daughter, Alyssa, graduated the Academy program July 21, 2012. Greg is now on staff at our Thrift Store and is enjoying restored relationships!



Natalie graduated the program August 1, 2012, passed the State Board exam for Manicurists & credits her overall success and accomplishments to discovering the importance of healthy, vibrant relationships, especially the one she now shares with God!

COMMUNITY AT ITS BEST!

In 2012, and moving forward into 2013, you have reached out in ways we could not have anticipated, driving us forward in the name of Christ. The Fresno Rescue Mission does not accept government funding, and we rely solely on our generous community to provide for the needs of those we serve. Dear community... you came through!

As programs and services at the Fresno Rescue Mission continue to expand and grow, current resources must be stretched and new resources developed. In 2012, we reached 109.6% of our donation goal to run current operations. We also completed the funding for Phases 1 and 2 of Rescue the Children and funded the start of operational reserves for this new community.

Over 1,000 volunteers generated thousands of volunteer hours, in addition to the 1,680 volunteers that worked on the Rescue the Children renovation project. Local businesses, organizations and media sponsored events and fund raisers to generate awareness about the Fresno Rescue Mission. We were invited to ministry and community fairs, men's and women's retreats, and Christian concerts. There are so many ways you chose to engage your time and resources for the Mission. The ultimate benefit is changed lives for the men, women and children we serve. Thank you!



February 2012, Volunteer Day at Rescue the Children.

"I should never be amazed at how God provides through you... after all, He has promised to give us what we need. Yet, I am in awe of His goodness and how generous our community continues to be."

Janet Steinhauer, Director of Marketing and Development

"For the last 2 ½ years I have seen the miracles of lives restored at the Mission by the power of God. I have also seen God's faithfulness in providing donors and volunteers to help carry out this work. I count it a privilege to be able to share the vision of what we are doing with our community and to see how God has continued to bless our endeavors."

Don Eskes, Community Partnerships

How You Can Help

Pray and ask God what He would have you do to support His work here at the Fresno Rescue Mission, and pray for Him to move in the lives of those we serve... Take a tour... Tell everyone you know about why you support God's work at the Mission... Volunteer your time... Continue to give gifts of money, in-kind goods, food, and vehicles... and consider increasing your gift to help us cover the additional expenses for Rescue the Children. We thank you for your continued support!

"Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver."

2 Corinthians 9:7

SOURCES OF SUPPORT:

Individuals	70%
Businesses	11%
Foundations	8%
Churches	3%
Estates & Other	5%
Service Organizations	2%

ANNUAL DONATIONS:

Current Giving	\$ 2,980,545
Foundation	\$ 369,248
Rescue the Children	\$ 832,740

Total **\$ 4,182,533**

1ST QUARTER SNAPSHOT COMMUNITY CARE IN 2013

COMMUNITY CARE - "First Touch" SERVICES USED:

Overnight (Emergency Care)	196 men 3 Children
Warming Center	227 Men 31 Women
Safe Area	64 Men & Women
Chapel (Voluntary attendance of guests - not counting program participants and churches)	1,540
Average of 17 unique individuals each night	
Entered "Next Steps" Process	100
Entered Medical Respite Center	6 (new)
There were 5 in the center who carried over from 2012	

COMMUNITY CARE - RESULTS IN ACTION

NEXT STEPS PROCESS

Found housing	23
Enrolled in Academy program	4
Enrolled in other programs	5
Referred to other Missions/Care Facilities	3
Found Employment	3

RESPITE CENTER

Exited the need for care	5
Remain in our care	6

Finding better ways to connect with individuals whose lives are at risk (living on the streets, suffering with emotional and/or physical impairments, overcoming illnesses and infirmities, or spiraling down in the daily addictions to drugs and alcohol) is our *First Touch* opportunity. As we encourage guests to take their Next Steps, our hope is that they keep moving forward to a better life. We are encouraged by what we are seeing. In addition to finding housing, many are establishing ongoing services, seeking employment and reconnecting with family.

RESCUE THE CHILDREN UPDATE



KIDS ON A MISSION

The children's playground equipment is now constructed, thanks to Kids On A Mission, who raised over \$77,000 to fund the new play area, and all the volunteers who came to our community to help piece it together! To watch the construction of this beautiful addition, go to our website and click on **RESCUE THE CHILDREN** on the home page.