

BOISE RESCUE MISSION MINISTRIES

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Dear Friend of the Mission,

Another amazing year has passed and all of us at the Mission say “Thank you!” to everyone who has given time, money, goods and prayer. The generous support of this wonderful community has accomplished much through this ministry. Families are being reunited, prisoners are set free and prospering as productive community members, children are being raised up to know the Lord and are receiving all the help that they need to grow and develop as they should, and veterans, both old and young, are getting out of homelessness and restoring their rightful place in the community. I thank God for these lives changed and for your support that makes everything we do possible.

One of the pressing issues for people coming out of homelessness is finding that good job that will give them the income they need to live independently. For some of the 400 plus people who left the Mission shelter last year for that independent life, this is not a problem. They have skills, education and experience that opens many doors. But for others, who lack those skills and experience, finding that first job after homelessness is much tougher. Hoping to meet some of the need for work experience and training, we opened The Rescue Mission Thrift Store in Nampa. This beautiful, clean, pleasant place is providing that first job to people in our programs as well as others from the community. Our hope is to provide work experience in a supportive workplace, and then to see those people move on into the community workforce as excellent employees.

In 2016 we found a great business partner in the community who is willing to hire, train and overlook some of our folk’s past problems. Power Enterprise, a landscape contractor, offered work to some Mission residents and the experience was so positive that they have opened the hiring door to more candidates from our shelters. Frankly, we need more business partners to offer that opportunity to us in other fields of employment. Obviously, not everyone can do the work of a landscaper. If you are one of those business people, please give me a call and let’s talk.

Our children continue to shine in the community. Last fall, two senior high school students were honored by the Boise Mayor for their academic achievement while overcoming difficulties in life. Many of our kids are honor roll students and all of our kids have improved their academic skills after a month or two in Mission programs with their mothers. Having a safe, predictable, loving place to live allows children to focus on the important matters in their lives, and fosters better relationships between themselves and their parent or guardian. During the summer school break, we will host 50-75 children from our shelters and programs for a great summer day camp that starts right after school is out and lasts until a week before schools starts. The kids will enjoy age appropriate activities from 9am to 4pm, Monday through Friday, including some academic time, Bible time and lots of FUN time!

Sometimes people ask me, "What's next for the Mission?" My answer today is this: to become stable and raise all of the support we need to continue the many programs and facilities that we already have in place. As you may know, we do not seek nor receive any government funding. Everything that we do is paid for by the generous people of the Treasure Valley and with gifts and grants from non-governmental funders.

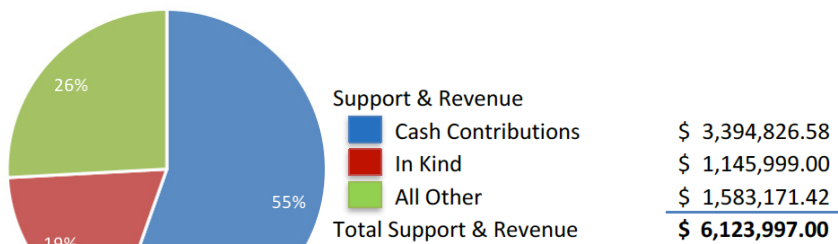
Is there more to do? Certainly! But as good stewards, we will prayerfully and carefully move ahead as God leads. I hope that you are one of the wonderful people who has supported this ministry, but if you are not, please consider us. You are welcome to visit any facility any time (during regular business hours), and if you'd like a guide for that visit, let me know. I, or one of our directors, will be happy to meet you and lead the way. What you will see is an extraordinary work of God and His people.

God bless you! In His service,

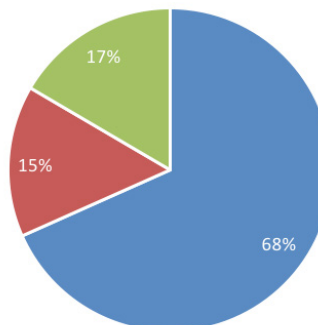


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FINANCIAL DATA - FY 2014-15



Program Services	\$ 4,582,498.00
Administrative & General	\$ 1,014,654.00
Communications & Appeals	\$ 1,110,299.00
Total Expenses	\$ 6,707,451.00



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