



**BOISE RESCUE MISSION
MINISTRIES**

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CEO Rev. Bill Roscoe's Response to Idaho Statesman's Article on the City of Eagle

Thank you to those who have reached out to gain better understanding of the Rescue Mission's response on the City of Eagle's decision to declare itself not to be a sanctuary city of illegal immigrants.

You may recall that God used us in a mighty way from 2021-2023 to provide 2 years of safe shelter for legal Ukrainian immigrants who were displaced from a major war and brought to Idaho. We converted our Lighthouse Rescue Mission into the Ukrainian Welcome Center and opened our doors to our new war-torn and homeless guests.

Thanks to our generous community, Boise Rescue Mission faithfully provided nutritious meals, essential clothing, vital supplies, and helped facilitate classes on gaining full employment, getting their driver's license, and how to speak English. During those two years, over 400 legal Ukrainian immigrants were successful in transitioning into stable housing.

With passion and compassion for people, our mission continues to be for us to help restore faith, hope and family.

You may already know that Boise Rescue Mission requires every Guest to provide state-issued identification, so that we know no one in the house is a threat to others. We will grant one night's stay and PAY for the Guest to secure the ID.

We believe that is consistent with our stance on helping people. We believe that requiring people to obey the laws of our government is also an order from God, not a suggestion. Our goal is to provide legitimate and effective help to people and obey the law.

We will always be thankful for this kind and generous community who helps our guest's overcome homelessness and heal from addiction.

May God grant us all His wisdom as we navigate life in His service.

Sincerely,

Rev. Bill Roscoe,
President/CEO

Boise Rescue Mission Ministries