



# Roseburg Rescue Mission

Men's Shelter • Samaritan Inn • Mission Stores

*A Beacon of Hope for the Homeless*

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## *A New Beginning*

*She said, "I was out of options." Her only income was a small, temporary state subsidy for housing, enough for incidental expenses. Along with her son, they needed emergency housing and opportunity for a new beginning. Our Samaritan Inn provided a safe, homelike setting. Social services were provided to develop their plan to independence. She was then freed to focus on taking each necessary step toward achieving their own housing. And she succeeded. Last Easter, they were homeless and observed the holy day here; this year, they have a new beginning.*

*Easter is celebrating the resurrected life of Jesus, that we too can have new, everlasting life with Him. This Gospel message is shared in our Chapel time as a greater hope than any social service we provide. The Mission is a place for homeless people to leave their old selves and ways behind. There is freedom from the past and a brighter future ahead. Opportunity exists to develop a new life now, and accept one for eternity.*

## **Happy Easter**

# Regaining Stable Housing

Diedre owned a small trailer on a rented lot in a trailer park. When the owner of a dilapidated trailer next-door moved out, they abandoned their home. It was in no condition to be moved, so the manager had it demolished on-site. Rodents and insects scattered throughout the park. Diedre's trailer was then infested with unsanitary pests. The park manager refused to solve the problem, and Diedre could not afford the cost of an exterminator. So, she too abandoned her home. It no longer had value worth salvaging.

***Her home no longer had value worth salvaging.***

Stable housing was lost, but she still had a part-time job at a convenience store. Without first and last month's rent plus deposit, she moved to a long-term motel room. It was an expensive means of housing, so she took a higher paying job as a caregiver. Then her car, that she still owed money on, broke down beyond her ability to repair. Diedre looked online and found Samaritan Inn. After a few months here, she was able to buy another car. She went back to the same minimum wage job, because the higher paying one did not work out.



Her next attempt at regaining stable housing was to move from here to an addiction recovery halfway house. Diedre said, "The rent was high and the environment was toxic." Instead of helping her alcoholism, the stress caused her to relapse. Then, she lived in a homeless tent camp for a while, but there was no accountability. After that, she shared rent with three roommates in a house, until a couple of them got into a fight and the owner sold the house. She returned here.

Of all Diedre's attempts at regaining housing and sobriety, Samaritan Inn has been the most stable. She has not had to worry about her previous experiences of the infestation of pests, unexpected expenses, losing housing, high rent, needing a better paying job, conditions that would trigger relapse of addiction., no accountability, nor violence.

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She has had the time to recover, focus, prepare, find the right permanent housing. For months, she has had sobriety, stability, maintained employment. Diedre said, "I feel blessed for second chances. Chapel motivates me to love God. He is my reason for being. He looks at me and says, 'You're worth it.'" She has hope in the Lord and in this life. Sobriety is needed first, before housing can be stable, before life can be stable. Otherwise, housing efforts can be in vain, further compound addiction issues, and increase failure. Our purpose is not to just get homeless people off the street, it's in the well-being of individual people. Sobriety first with housing next assures greater success by far.



## A New Purpose

Roy was released with a single approved address destination. His bus ticket was from the state prison in Salem to Roseburg Rescue Mission. He had regained his freedom, yet with supervision from his parole officer. He had to regularly check in, have his location confirmed, look for gainful employment, pay all court fines, not have intoxicating substances. If he were to go homeless camping or violate any condition, he would go to jail for reevaluation. Indeed, it was for a parole violation that he had gone to prison for a short time. Roy arrived at the Mission with no baggage and nearly broke. He was in our Emergency Shelter two weeks, then moved to Program Housing. He was in different positions: in the kitchen, in a supervisory role, and in maintenance. Then Roy was hired onto Mission staff as a Maintenance Helper and has since been promoted to Maintenance Supervisor. He has an income to be in a private room in our Transitional Rental Housing.

### ***“Learning to give more than receive”***

With all the parole conditions met, Roy is no longer under supervision. We helped to pay some of his DMV fines, so he could drive our vehicles for his job here. He said, “The reason why I liked the Program was getting to help people less fortunate, listening to chapel messages, learning to give more than receive, feeding the hungry and homeless, being a good samaritan. I wanted to be a part of the staff that shepherd the flock at the Mission. It was in a voluntary Bible study led by Chuck (Operations Manager), that my heart was touched. I wanted to be baptized. I wanted to give myself to the Lord.” So, Chuck, Roy and others went to River Forks Park for the baptism. Roy is a new person with a new purpose to be a servant to others.

### **Men’s Caseworker**

Christian Ministry  
Do client intake interviews, social work, follow-up, outreach to homeless.  
Full-time, salary, medical, Resume to: [rsbgmission@aol.com](mailto:rsbgmission@aol.com)

### **estate planning**

leave a legacy of hope at Roseburg Rescue Mission.  
The impact on people’s lives can be eternal.

### **items accepted**

at our dock  
806 SE Pine St  
Mon to Sat 9am to 6pm  
Clothing, Furniture  
Household Items  
Kitchen Wares  
Knickknacks  
Sporting Goods  
Electronics, Bicycles  
Walkers & Wheelchairs  
Linens, Shoes  
Purses, Hats  
DVD, VHS Movies, TVs  
CDs And Players

*Items need to be in good condition and working order.  
Upholstered furniture and Mattresses not accepted.*

# Mission Housing 2025

Men, women, and mothers with children have three different program areas that they can utilize here. Both our Men's Shelter and Samaritan Inn for women and children have these options. We provide Emergency Shelter, Program Housing, and Transitional Rentals. Our primary role in homeless housing is providing Emergency Shelter beds, comprising nearly half of all beds occupied last year. Percentages in the pie chart reflect usage, not availability. Transitional Rentals are always full, Program Housing is generally full, Emergency Shelter is never full. We have empty beds available for homeless campers, but they choose not to take advantage of the opportunity. To be as inclusive as possible and maintain an environment without drugs or alcohol, we have an entry requirement for Emergency Shelter to have "no obvious use" of those chemicals. We use urinalysis tests for entry into our two programs and upon suspicion of use for everyone.



- **Emergency Shelter 47%**
- **Program Housing 20%**
- **Transitional Rentals 33%**

Every person entering our shelters begins in Emergency Shelter. For some, that is the only one of the three housing areas that they will need. Program Housing is about rehabilitation, defined as "to prepare a person for useful employment or successful integration into society by counseling, training, etc." Work therapy is a very beneficial part of recovery for addiction, mental health, and physical disabilities. It increases self-esteem, purpose, comradery, work skills, healing. Transitional Rentals require an income to pay the monthly rent here. Some men and women are employed in the community or at the Mission, and some receive age or disability income. It improves their rental history, credit score, and savings. There is a natural turnover rate in each program by people moving to independent housing. No one is stuck at the Mission, because there are affordable rental rooms available in the community.



Lynn Antis, Executive Director

## Easter menu

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| Turkeys          | Hams      |
| Stuffing         | Potatoes  |
| Yams             | Gravy Mix |
| Pies             | Rolls     |
| Pineapple Glaze  |           |
| Cranberry Sauce  |           |
| Mixed Vegetables |           |

Homemade pies and cookies can not have milk products in them. Pumpkin pies, cream pies, cream cheese have to be made in a commercially licensed kitchen.

## Easter bags

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| Socks                | Razors     |
| Toothbrush           | Toothpaste |
| Deodorant            | Body Wash  |
| Shaving Cream        |            |
| Brushes              | Combs      |
| Wrapped Easter Candy |            |

## Easter eggs

Eggs have to be from a recognized grocery store. Producers must have an egg handlers license. Eggs cannot be boiled in a non-commercial kitchen.

