



Roseburg Rescue Mission

Men's Shelter • Samaritan Inn • Mission Stores

A Beacon of Hope for the Homeless

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Active Casework

Theron (pictured on the right) needed a caseworker, because he was unable to maneuver through the social service system on his own. Daniel, our Men's Manager, is helping him fill out various forms for assistance. Our Men's Shelter and Samaritan Inn for women and children provide more than meals, clothing and shelter. We provide wraparound homeless services. If we do not directly offer the service, we connect our clients to the place that does. This builds a customized care plan tailored to a person's unique abilities and needs.

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Intake interviews are done with each person to evaluate their situation, then guide them in a direction for success. Some will benefit from our Program or Transitional Housing. Some will stay in our Emergency Shelter and move forward from there. Goals are set for clients to achieve on their own and for caseworkers to do for them. Together, a plan for independent living can be developed. Encouragement and follow-up are part of the process. When needed, we transport people to appointments.

From Camper To Staffer

Shannon had a firm childhood, raised by a strict mother and a career military father. She graduated high school and worked as an administrative assistant. She married and had two children. After 17 years, domestic violence caused a divorce. "The beginning was awesome," Shannon said of another long-term, but eventually bad relationship. She was well committed to their interdependence when she discovered his drug addiction. Instead of pushing away, she said, "I wanted to try it, because it seemed like a fun way to party." She was hooked after the first use, because it is very addictive



and would get sick without continued use. She would be late to work or not show up at all, losing jobs then not paying the rent. Old, broken-down motor homes parked without cost became home. Shannon had a third child, but lost custody at the hospital because of her background. He tried to commit suicide and continued to abuse her. That party was over, and she left.

Savings afforded her monthly rent in a motel that was a community of drug users. It was a way to use again without relationship abuse. When

the money ran out, she went to an authorized homeless camp. Shannon had become an addiction camper with no accountability. Then, she suffered a stroke, leaving her unable to walk or talk. That party was over, almost permanently.

An addiction camper that suffered a stroke, leaving her unable to walk or talk

After ten days in the hospital and a week in a rehabilitation center, she was released to Samaritan Inn. She had limited mobility, having to use a walker, and slurred speech that was sometimes unintelligible. She still had mental capacity but needed extended therapy. Shannon said, "Being on the Program gave me a chance to recover, working at the desk, answering phones, and improving myself. I learned to speak and walk again. Now, I'm off my walker completely." Last year, she used her disability benefit to move into a Transitional housing rental unit at Samaritan Inn. Shannon said, "I felt like a normal person again, no more camping, no fleabag motels, no broken-down RVs. I had my own place separate from the main campus." She left our program for a while but continued to volunteer. Then, she was asked to be a paid Mission staffer and accepted. She said, "I want to be helpful, busy, and still work on my physical recovery."

Now a paid Mission staffer, helpful, busy, and working on her physical recovery

During her time here, Shannon accepted the Lord. It began with a nurse in the hospital, then was reinforced in the recovery facility and here. A scripture verse has led her, "With God all things are possible," Matthew 19:26. She said, "The last almost three years has shown me that I have so much gratefulness in my heart for life, friends, and my growing relationship with God. I am a new person."



Bondage Removed

Brandyn was granted 120 days of Short-Term Transitional Leave by the Oregon Department of Corrections. His release counselor helped him develop an early release plan directly to Roseburg Rescue Mission. No other place was authorized to transition from prison to freedom. The Mission was approved because we do not charge for services, have a healthy environment, and have helped so many others. An intake interview was conducted and a plan for success was developed. He received a clothing voucher to our Mission Store, bus passes, direction to the Employment Department, and help getting a Driver's License. In two weeks, he had a job. Then, he kept looking for a better one. He received three job offers in a day, accepting the one full-time position. And, he has already been promoted. He owns a car and is on our waiting list to rent a Transitional Housing Program room.

Forward in life as a new person with real hope

"I enjoy chapel," Brandyn said, "I believe in God. Hearing God's Word consistently has helped me mentally over depression and anxiety, and with what I should and do believe. It has got me back on track with praying and formed that daily habit. It has helped me feel closer to God and that He is helping me. There are those days when I think no one is listening. Then, I think about all the good things that have happened in the last few months, and I attribute that to God."

Physical and spiritual freedom has given Brandyn a new life. Bondage from incarceration, feelings of injustice, and separation from the Lord have been removed. Now, he can move forward in life as a new person with real hope. Once in our Transitional Housing, he will build a rental history to launch into independence. And, he will be walking with the Lord.

Mission Stores

Shop our stores to help homeless men, women & children.

Mission Bike Shop

used bike & part donations accepted & for sale in Mission Furniture. Some new bike trailers, parts, & accessories in stock.

chapel volunteers

Samaritan Inn & Men's Shelter
Apply on our website or in our office.

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.*



Aging Homeless Population

Age 62 is the single most common age for Americans to stop working and the earliest age to collect reduced Social Security benefits. A recent survey showed that 30% of men and 28% of women at the Mission are age 62 or older. That held true across our Emergency Shelter, Program and Transitional Housing. Baby Boomers, Americans largest generation, are retirement age now. The number of homeless seniors is expected to continue increasing for several more years. Some people become homeless prior to being able to collect benefits, putting them in a holding pattern at the Mission, waiting for their age to catch up to their life situation. Others become homeless after retiring. It can be from inadequate financial preparation. Fixed incomes can be insignificant to cover rising costs of housing, home and auto repairs, medical and prescription medications. The loss of a spouse can reduce income. Life change can cause stress and depression. There can be employment age discrimination.

30% of men, 28% of women are 62+ at Mission

Gordon is 64, homeless, and living at the Mission. He is pictured above working in our Store as a part of the Program. He had been successfully working and living independently, until a series of events changed that. He has experienced many of the reasons listed above that can cause seniors to become homeless. Gordon had a small savings, reduced employment income, downsized from an apartment to a rental room, a broken-down car, an illness that put him out of work, no spouse, a limited safety net of family and friends, and employment age discrimination. He recovered from the illness at the Mission. Before long if Gordon cannot find a job, he will collect reduced Social Security benefits and rent a room at the Mission.

Thank you, Lynn Antis, Executive Director



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

meals to go needs

Sandwich Ziplocks

Bottles of Water

Lunch Meat

Sliced Cheese

other basic needs

Canned Fruit & Veggies

Egg Noodles

Spaghetti, Macaroni

Pork & Beans

Refried Beans

Mayo, Ketchup, Mustard

Cold Cereal

Cornbread Mix

Bottles of Water

Ground Coffee

Pancake Mix & Syrup

Men's & Women's PJS

Baby Wipes

Kid's Shampoo

estate planning

leave a legacy of hope at Roseburg Rescue Mission.

The impact on people's lives can be eternal.