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## YOUR IMPACT ON OUR COMMUNITY

In 2017, your generous donations allowed us to work around the clock for locals in need:

  
**353,080**  
meals served

  
**52,640**  
emergency beds provided

  
**13,659**  
people received free clothing

**93**  
individuals in recovery programs



  
**92**  
families helped via Family Program

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## GIVE THE GIFT OF HOPE THIS EASTER SEASON

We provide people food, shelter, basic needs & recovery programs 24/7, 365 days/year

**Yes! I want to partner with LVRM this Easter season:**

- ☐ \$9.48 to provide 1 night of shelter & 2 meals  
☐ \$20.50 provides 10 individuals with an Easter meal  
☐ \$28.46 provides a single parent w/2 children shelter & 3 meals/person  
☐ \$\_\_\_\_\_ to provide as many meals, shelter & care as possible  
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Return form with your donation, or donate online at vegasrescue.org or (702) 382-1766. Gifts are tax-deductible as allowed by law. You will receive a receipt.

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# Beyond the Neon

2018 Easter Newsletter

## I ONLY TRAVELED 1,700 MILES TO FIND CHRIST, BUT MY TRIP TOOK YEARS.

I was raised in a loving home, went to church, and asked Christ into my heart many times as a child, never convinced He was there because I couldn't "feel" Him.

I began using alcohol and drugs in high school and escalated my use in college. In December of my sophomore year, I got shocking news: my brother Geoff took his life. I was shattered. I spent much of my twenties drinking and getting high; not dealing with my pain and grief. I became deeply cynical, scared to invest my heart into anything, and dropped out of college.

Eventually, I did graduate college and got married. During that time, my drinking intensified, and I lost my job two months before my son Wesley was born. I was a stay at home dad barely functioning in my alcoholism, and my wife was forced to take our son and leave. I spiraled out of control, cycling through treatment centers and halfway houses. Hopeless and homeless, I was convinced I would die drunk. In December 2011, after a frightful night of drinking in my parents' basement, I became psychotic, and they called the police. I had been arrested many times before, including two DUIs. My family had enough, and after I got out of jail, they put me on a plane. I flew 1,700 miles to freedom, although I didn't know it yet.

**Entering through the gates of the Las Vegas Rescue Mission was the most important moment of my life.** Through the love and support of the staff, Christ showed Himself to me, and I learned to be humble and ask for help. Equally important, through their service work, I learned to shift my focus onto others rather than myself. God showed me that taking responsibility, and being willing to work hard to make things right, through His strength, are things I must seek daily. After 13 months, I completed LVRM's program in January 2013. I connected with a recovery group when I got back home to Illinois; those connections are my lifelines today. God allowed me to rebuild relationships destroyed in my addiction and lead me to Northern Illinois University College of Law. I graduated last May with honors.

Today, I am blessed to work with others in the legal system and be an advocate for justice. God has constantly demonstrated His grace in my life, and I now know that God isn't a feeling; I must seek Him daily, equally now as in the heart of my addiction.

- JOHN



HARRY HINDERLITER III  
LVRM PRESIDENT/CEO

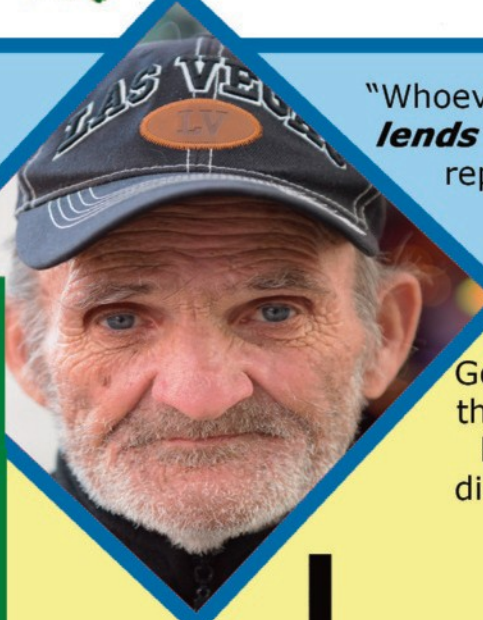
Friends - HE IS RISEN! Easter season is a time to pause and be in awe of the sacrifice our Lord made for each one of us over 2,000 years ago. Jesus endured hatred, betrayal and torture for you and me. His death and resurrection saved us from hopelessness and offers us peace in Christ.

As we celebrate this season of hope, THANK YOU for supporting the Rescue Mission. Together, we can transform the lives of homeless and hungry men, women and children. God bless and Happy Easter!



"Do not pass by a man in need, for you may be the **hand of God** to him."  
Proverbs 3:27

"Whoever is generous to the poor **lends to the Lord**, and He will repay him for his deed."  
Proverbs 19:17



God proved His love on the Cross. When Christ hung, and bled, and died, it was God saying to the world, 'I love you.'  
-Billy Graham



HE IS RISEN

EASTER Blessings

### HOPE grows from Vision: Join our Visionary Club

LVRM helps our homeless and hungry neighbors move from dependence to self-sufficiency. Becoming a Visionary Club member is an easy way to make an impact all year long, and show those in need the community cares about them.

### ENDING HOMELESSNESS IS HARD, BUT DONATING MONTHLY IS EASY!

To set up a recurring gift: (702) 932-8182 or at [vegasrescue.org](http://vegasrescue.org)

Choose the amount and day to start the donation.

Cancel or make changes any time. Donations are tax-deductible to the fullest extent allowed



### Ms. Waechter-Brown: A Good and Faithful Servant

Heaven recently gained an angel in Ms. Waechter-Brown. Ask any of her friends or co-workers, and they describe her as being spunky; a kind, warm, and genuine soul that lit up any room.

Ms. Waechter-Brown had a heart for the Lord and the less fortunate, donating financial gifts and volunteering at local charities, including LVRM.

Ms. Waechter-Brown blessed LVRM by designating the Mission as one of her estate beneficiaries to continue impacting her community after she was gone.

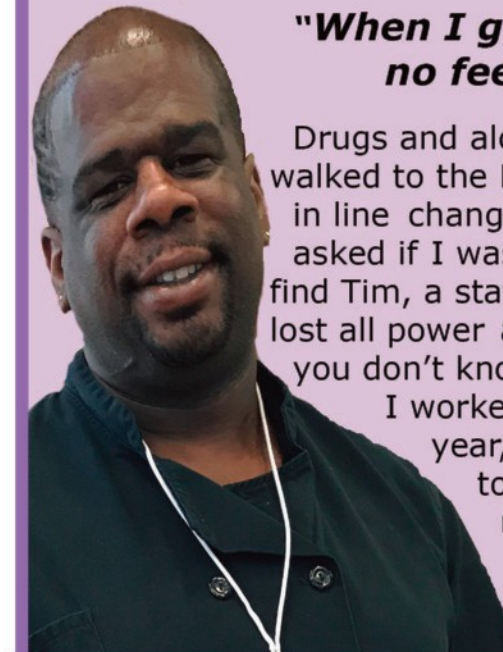
Now that she is with the Lord, we know God will multiply her generous gift to help thousands of hungry and homeless people she never met, glorifying Him and His work. Well done, good and faithful servant.



## ONE FREE MEAL AT THE LAS VEGAS RESCUE MISSION GAVE MY SOUL PRICELESS NOURISHMENT

By age 13, I was already drinking alcohol and selling drugs. I quit school my senior year, and was a dad by 20. Tragedy struck in 2000 when my baby son died. I was devastated and angry at God for taking him. I had a rocky relationship, and had to take anger management classes due to domestic abuse. One night, I missed my class, and had to go to jail for six months.

**"When I got out of jail, I had no heart, no soul, no feelings; I was a ticking time bomb."**



Drugs and alcohol still haunted me, and I had nothing. One day, I walked to the Las Vegas Rescue Mission and stood in the food line. A guy in line changed my life; I guess he could tell I was in a dark place and asked if I was in LVRM's recovery program. I said no, so he told me to find Tim, a staff person at LVRM. When I found Tim, he asked if I had lost all power and control of my life. I must have hesitated, so he said, "If you don't know if you need the program, you need it."

I worked in the LVRM kitchen, and graduated the program in one year, and now I have a job and my own place. God brought me to LVRM for a reason, and I am blessed He didn't give up on me. If you want to change your life and become a better person, the Mission is the place for you.

- MARQUIS

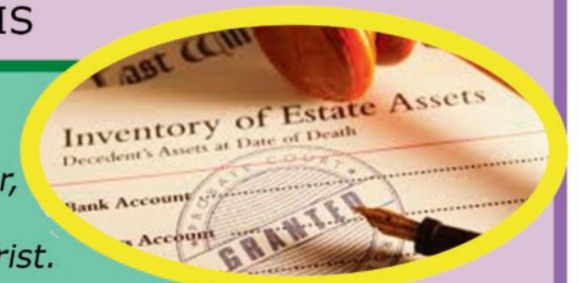
## How to Build Your Legacy

LVRM exists to serve those in need through food, shelter, daily needs and addiction recovery, offering hope and life change to individuals and families through Jesus Christ.

With no regular government funding sources, we rely on the generosity of individuals, families, groups, local businesses, and foundations to continue our story of providing hope and transforming lives in southern Nevada.

If you want to help us end homelessness, there are many simple ways to set up gifts that help today, and/or in the future. Our "Building Your Legacy" guide outlines ways to make an impact in Las Vegas for years to come using assets, such as Stock & Real Estate, IRA's, Life Insurance, Memorial Gifts, Wills, Revocable Living Trusts, and other "bequest-type" gifts.

To request our "Building Your Legacy" educational guide, email [admin@vegasrescue.org](mailto:admin@vegasrescue.org) or call (702) 932-8174.



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