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CHRIS IS SO GRATEFUL

you have given
her new life!



Don't miss... **2** Show Them You Care

2 Volunteer to make
a difference

3 "I found a relationship
with God again!"

restoring hope, transforming lives

LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR!

It starts with a meal for \$2.15!



A Message from BRAD HOPKINS

Will You Love Your Neighbor This Summer?

*“Dear friends,
since God so
loved us, we also
ought to love
one another.”
- 1 John 4:11, NIV*

Did you know the Bible tells us to love our neighbor in *eight* different verses? So clearly the Lord calls each of us to not just love, but to love generously. At WRM, our staff's hearts are filled with love for those who are hurting and lost... and YOU put that love into action with your faithful support.

The summer months can be especially challenging for our neighbors throughout Wyoming. Those living on the streets face added stress and health risks due to the heat. Parents already struggling to pay the bills have the added burden of childcare costs and more meals to serve.

What's more, the summer months are when we typically see a decline in donations as people are busy with vacations and other activities... and

often forget about our struggling neighbors.

That's why I hope we can count on you during the Love Your Neighbor campaign!

I know you won't let these precious men, women and children be forgotten during the summer season. That you'll show them someone cares and there is hope for the future.

Thank you for loving our neighbors with your financial support and for keeping us in your prayers this summer as we minister to the hurting - we need it!

Thank you,

Brad Hopkins
Executive Director

Make This the Summer YOU Make a Difference!

The ministry of WRM simply wouldn't be possible without the hard work of our faithful volunteers. This summer, we are looking for caring, compassionate friends to lend a hand in the following areas:

- Help serve a lunch or dinner
- Organize a collection drive for food or other supplies
- Work in the office
- Lead a devotional
- Become a mentor
- Plus other opportunities to serve!

For more information about how your family, church group, coworkers or organization can help, please call

(307) 265-3002 or check out upcoming volunteer opportunities online at **wyomission.org**.

SHOW THEM YOU CARE

Help meet our community's needs!



Your gift today provides:



15,123 meals



10,498 beds



hundreds of
hygiene items



countless hours
of counseling &
education



life-transforming
decisions for
Christ



**LOVE YOUR
NEIGHBOR**

98-DAY SUMMER CAMPAIGN

**DONATIONS SLOW
DOWN IN SUMMER...
PLEASE HELP TODAY!**

Give now! wyomission.org
Support our Summer Campaign now!

“I found a
relationship
with God
again!”



When her marriage of nearly 30 years ended, Chris was heartbroken... and lost. She moved to Casper to live with her daughter, but the arrangement fell apart – damaging their relationship and deepening her despair. She found a job and stayed with coworkers and other acquaintances until she'd worn out her welcome and run out of options.

“ I felt unwanted and unloved. ”

Finally, with nowhere to lay her head – and unsure where her life was headed – she came to Wyoming Rescue Mission. “I'd never been in a homeless shelter in my life,” she says, unaware that we offer so much more than a bed.

“They help you with everything,” she found, initially referring to essentials like food, clothing and hygiene items. After joining our Discipleship Program, however, she realized her whole life was being transformed.

While she'd once had a relationship with God, her struggles and hardships had made her angry and bitter.

Through our faith-based classes and guidance from our Christ-filled staff, her heart began to heal... she forgave those who'd hurt her... and her walk with the Lord was restored.

“A lot of people have said to me, ‘You’ve changed since you’ve been here,’ and I feel the difference,” she says.

Now completing the final phase of our program, Chris is looking forward to returning to school to study medical billing and coding – and to find a job and housing. She's grateful for the resources she has received through WRM's partnerships in the community and the friendships she has built with other women in our care.

And she's especially pleased to have her daughter back in her life. “We go out for coffee and talk,” Chris says. “It's nice to be able to do that again.”

Chris is thankful for the kindness and compassion of loving neighbors like you – and how you have given her peace and hope. *“I'm grateful for the Mission giving me a home and everything that goes with it. My future looks bright and I feel blessed for sure.”*

How can you shop and strengthen our community?

Your support of the **Wyoming Rescue Mission thrift stores** helps your neighbors who are struggling. Look at how you can help change lives at these stores:

- You can donate gently-used clothing, furniture, housewares, electronics and toys you no longer need.
- Guests in our recovery program learn on-the-job training and employment skills.
- Our neighbors can shop for the items they need at low prices they can afford.
- All proceeds from the thrift stores support WRM's life-changing programs and services. **Everyone benefits!**

To donate items or shop with us, stop by one of our thrift stores or learn more at **wyomission.org/thrift-store/**.

Rescued Treasures East

2935 E 2nd St.
Casper, WY 82609

(307) 577-7793

Hours: Monday-Saturday
9:30 a.m. – 7 p.m.
(Closed Sunday)

Rescued Treasures West - NEW!

5345 CY Ave
Casper, WY 82604

(307) 233-4240

Hours: Tuesday-Saturday
10 a.m. – 6 p.m.
(Closed Sunday & Monday)



MAKE A GIFT TO LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR!

Brad, I want to provide meals, shelter and care this summer through my gift of:

- ☐ \$50 ☐ \$25 *helps a lot!*
☐ \$75 ☒ **\$150**
☐ \$_____ to help as much as possible

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY / STATE / ZIP _____

☐ CHECK ENCLOSED ☐ BILL MY CREDIT CARD

☐ VISA ☐ MASTERCARD ☐ DISCOVER ☐ AMERICAN EXPRESS

CREDIT CARD # _____

EXP. DATE _____

PHONE # _____

EMAIL _____

Donate now! ☎ (307) 265-3002
wyomission.org

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PO Box 2030
Casper, WY 82602-2030



Your monthly gift makes a HUGE impact!

When you set up ongoing support as a Monthly Giving Partner, Wyoming Rescue Mission can be ready to help anyone who comes through our doors. That's because your partnership provides reliable, steady income to care for our homeless and hungry neighbors *all year long*.

For someone like Adam, that generosity transformed his life!

"The classes here started to open my eyes and God is doing some amazing things in my life. The Mission has given me hope and excitement to look forward to the future. My purpose is to help others as Jesus Christ has helped me."

If the Lord is leading you to become a Monthly Giving Partner, simply visit **wyomission.org/donate-monthly/** or complete the back of the enclosed reply form. Thank you!