You're allowing kids to dream again

Childhood is a time of innocence... unfettered hopes and dreams. A healthy childhood is foundational for overall development – physically, emotionally, socially and spiritually.

Yet children experiencing homelessness are robbed of this time. Without the stability of a safe home, they lose confidence in themselves and lose hope for their future.

Your support of Wyoming Rescue Mission helps protect our youngest, most vulnerable



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guests by providing a safe, nurturing environment for children to learn, grow and thrive. Thanks to friends like you, we provide them with medical care, academic

tutoring and social and spiritual encouragement along with age-appropriate counseling for those recovering from past trauma.

Thank you for caring for children in our community whose futures are at risk. Together, we're providing child-focused care that restores their innocence and reignites their dreams.

One of the best ways we can help children is by helping their parents! Find out more about how we support families at wyomission.org.

Give now to LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR!

YES! I want to offer life-saving care & compassion this summer with my gift of:

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Your cars drive new lives

That car or truck you no longer use could help our Discipleship Recovery Program graduates on their journeys to new beginnings. Transportation is essential for attending health care appointments, educational opportunities, job interviews, and ultimately, going to work. Instead of selling your donated vehicle for cash, we will gift it to a graduate to drive a new life!

Donating your vehicle is good for you, too!

- A Great Tax-Deduction for the value of your vehicle.
- Free Pick-Up from your home or office.

• Fast and easy – we handle any paperwork.

To learn more, call (307) 233-6916 or visit wyomission.org.

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A meal for \$2.58 is an easy way to **LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR!**



"As I have loved

you, so you must

love one another.

By this everyone

will know that

disciples, if you

- John 13:34b-35

love one another."

you are my

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A Message from BRAD HOPKINS

Thank you for REMEMBERING your neighbors this summer

What does summer mean to you? Family vacations... lazy mornings... afternoons at the park or by the pool. As a kid, you probably remember time standing still over summer. Yet, now these months seem to be busier than ever...

Between work, family and community responsibilities, endless "to-do" lists crowd our days. In some ways, the "lazy days of summer" may be a thing of the past.

We've seen this at Wyoming Rescue Mission for a while now. As supporters in our community stay busy with summer plans, donations tend to drop off. I'm thankful you haven't forgotten about the needs of your neighbors - and that you respond with a heart of compassion... which is why I need your help.

As we enter our 3-month Love Your Neighbor campaign, I hope I can count on you. Please give generously each month of this season to help the men, women and children in Wyoming who are hurting and homeless.

Thank you for remembering to share love with your neighbors in need this summer no matter how leisurely or lively these months may be.

Thank you,

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Brad Hopkins Executive Director

Celebrating 28 new beginnings... **THANKS TO YOU!**

Join us in celebrating 28 new graduates from our long-term Discipleship **Recovery Program!**

Months of Christcentered counseling, classes and training have brought them here. With your support and God's grace, they have a new life of HOPE.

As graduates rejoin our community, please pray for them. And thank you for your continued support as new guests start their journeys of transformation.

Learn more about our recovery services for men and women at wyomission.org.



We are also blessed to celebrate 15 baptisms! As these guests dedicate or recommit their lives to God, we join them in praising His redeeming work in their lives!

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G was stuck between godliness and chaos," LEvan says, describing his childhood with parents at opposite ends of the moral spectrum. At 10 years old, when his mother developed a chronic illness, he was forced to care for his two younger siblings – and had to grow up way too fast. To cope with the pressure and stress – and emulating older peers he was drawn to – he began drinking at age 12 and developed an addiction that plagued him for more than two decades. While he succeeded at treatment several times, he continued to rekindle his selfdestructive ways... until finally he reached rock bottom.

Living in his truck or with friends, often ill from heavy drinking, he was electrocuted while working a construction job. He felt it was God's way of getting his attention. "And He put it in my heart to come to WRM."

Influenced by his mother, Evan had always felt close to the Lord, and he embraced our faith-based Discipleship Recovery Program.

"I've learned a whole different way to understand the Bible – what God wants me to do with my life and how to persevere through



my struggles."

Working in our kitchen is giving Evan an opportunity to pursue culinary skills he's always dreamed of, while also bringing comfort to others who are struggling and broken as he once was. He plans to continue following the Lord's direction by obtaining life-coaching certifications. "It is definitely something God has been calling me to do my whole life."

It was a good place to separate myself from the outside world.

Evan now has strength for his future because of your heart of compassion for him and other neighbors in need. Because you chose to share God's love, he has a path forward in life. "It's not financial success that I'm seeking at this point, it's more of building my treasures with God and doing all things for His glory."

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