

## WYOMING TRANSFORMATIONS RESCUE

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**2** Ready to do something extraordinary?

**3** "With God, everything is possible!"



Alanna grew up with parents who were in and out of prison for drug use, so she and her siblings were raised by their grandparents. But despite the loving home she had, Alanna ended up following the same destructive path as her parents.

"I was very sheltered," she says. "When I grew up, I did whatever I wanted... and it was not the right way."

Alanna lost everything to her addiction – cars, apartments and relationships. And she was also in and out of legal trouble due to her lifestyle.

The turning point came when she was arrested for the fifth time, and she decided to come to our ministry after getting out of jail. Though it was a hard decision to not return to her grandparents, who face health challenges, Alanna knew it was time to rebuild her life.

"I was homeless and didn't have anything. I was ready to just get out of that life, so I came to WRM."

I'm getting closer to God – knowing more about Him and finding myself in Him. It's been a long way to get to where I am.

Alanna joined our Discipleship Recovery Program, and she says her transformation has been amazing.

"I was saved while I was in jail, so I'm very new to all of this. But they've helped me stay focused on what I really want in life and things to look forward to."

She is enjoying living a sober life, and the peace that has come from serving others in our Rescued Treasures Thrift Shop. While she's not sure what the future holds, Alanna has hope again for the first time in a long time.

"Being here has allowed me to grow as a person and stay on the right path. I've started to love myself."

Thank you for loving neighbors like Alanna "as you've loved yourself." Your kindness has reminded her that she is not alone and that a better life is possible!

"I am more joyful and happy because I turn everything over to God."





"Love your neighbor as yourself..." - Matthew 22:39



#### A Message from BRAD HOPKINS

### You're sharing God's love this summer.

I don't have to tell you that our community is special. You see for yourself local acts of care and compassion. When neighbors feel lonely and forgotten, we step up to show love. It's what makes Wyoming strong.

But people like YOU make the greatest difference... generous friends who go above and beyond to show love to those in need. That's why I know I can count on your support over these crucial summer months - when so many local men, women and children remain hurting, hungry and homeless.

This month we're kickstarting **our** 3-month Love Your Neighbor campaign to help meet the unique needs of our quests this summer season - like shelter from the heat, nourishing meals and clean water. Each month is an opportunity for you to respond with a generous gift that reflects the words of Matthew 22:39... to "love your neighbor as yourself."

Your support will show struggling people in our community like Alanna that they are never alone. Read her story on page 3 of this newsletter - then consider how you can best respond to help more people like her this summer. We'll be so grateful.

Thank you,

Brad Hopkins **Executive Director** 

### Ready to do **SOMETHING EXTRAORDINARY?**

It's not every day you get an invitation to be part of something extraordinary. But today, you can do iust that!

A special group of people who believe in the life-changing work being done at WRM have made an extraordinary commitment: To tell our homeless and hurting neighbors, "I'll be there for you... I want to make sure you get the help you need!"

By giving faithfully every month, these dedicated partners provide the regular support needed to feed and shelter our guests in need of recovery. To share the transformative love of Christ. And to help restore hope and stability so these men and women can connect with loved ones and return to the community.



Want to learn more about how you can become a member of this extraordinary group? Contact Cheryl Hackett at **(307) 233-6916** or email chackett@wyomission.org. To join now, visit wyomission.org/donate-monthly Thank you and God bless you!

#### YOU CAN SHOW A HURTING **NEIGHBOR THEY'RE NOT ALONE!**

It starts with a meal...



and ends with a life renewed!

Your gift of \$2.58 provides a nourishing meal and can lead to other life-changing services like shelter, Christ-centered counseling and healing in our Discipleship Recovery Program.

Give to our Love Your **Neighbor Summer** Campaign... and show local people who are homeless and hurting that you care.

**Give now!** wyomission.org



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# Keep people SAFE this summer

Your gift of \$15.10 provides a night of shelter!

Many of us can count on cold drinking water, refreshing showers and air conditioning to make it through this summer's hottest weeks.

#### But those out on the street have no relief.

Without shade or sun protection, even warm days put them at risk of heat stroke and dehydration. Hot weather is even more dangerous for seniors or families with children.

Your gift can make all the difference for someone experiencing homelessness this summer. <u>Just \$15.10 provides a night of safe shelter</u> <u>for a man, woman or child in need</u> – along with other services like these!



Cool water to drink & nourishing meals



Refreshing showers & safe shelter



Clean clothes & socks



Sunscreen & hygiene items

Because of your support, hurting people have everything they need to recover and rebuild at WRM – so they can have healthier, more stable lives!



To see how you can help meet our neighbors' most urgent summer needs, visit wyomission.org/needslist or scan here!

## Mental Health & Homelessness:

A Root Cause We Can't Ignore

Did you know? Untreated mental health struggles often lead to homelessness. At Wyoming Rescue Mission, we believe that addressing guests' mental health is as important as providing physical and spiritual renewal.

Some guests need only a warm meal and safe shelter, yet others require more specialized care for mental illness and trauma from their past. This care is critical for helping them overcome homelessness permanently and rebuild their lives.

Your faithful support makes
Christ-centered counseling,
treatment referrals and other
recovery resources possible in our
Discipleship Recovery Program.
Thank you!

Want to
learn about
other life-changing
services you help
provide?

Read about our programs at **wyomission.org.** 

