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3 "I found the strength to change."

"Through hope and love, I found the strength to change."

During childhood, Scott's family household was a stable and loving environment where his parents helped him foster a deep sense of faith. He never could have imagined how this foundation would later change.

Time and time again, Scott demonstrated to his friends that he was someone they could trust. So, it broke his heart when he first learned that trust could be broken: Someone he thought was a friend encouraged him to try drugs.

As a young adult, his curiosity and experimenting with substances quickly escalated into addiction. "I spiraled," he shares. "I just wanted to fit in, but my behaviors cost me jobs, my health... and eventually, my home."

After losing everything, Scott had never felt worse about himself. "I was out of options," he recalls. "All I wanted to do was to turn my life around. So, I prayed." The Lord answered Scott's cries for help... and led him to our ministry.

When Scott arrived, he was warmly welcomed by our staff. With hot meals, a comfortable bed and clean clothing, he began to believe healing was possible. Determined to change, Scott worked diligently through our faith-based Discipleship Recovery Program.

WRM HAS A GENUINE LOVE FOR PEOPLE AND A DESIRE TO HELP.

Being surrounded by love and compassion, having structure and experiencing daily fellowship all contributed to the restoration of Scott's confidence and sense of purpose. "I used to isolate," he said. "But I've learned to trust others again. I even like myself!"

Scott has enjoyed giving back by serving at the front desk, where he brushed up on valuable job skills. Now, back in the workforce, he's living an independent, stable life.

Your gifts are bearing fruit in the lives of people like Scott. Now, his heart is full of hope this fall... thanks to your kindness! "I'm so grateful to be clean and sober," he beams. "God did this... by bringing me to WRM!"



Hearts and lives are full... thanks to YOU!





A Message from BRAD HOPKINS

As the seasons change, I'm reminded of Jesus' words to His disciples: "The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few." As one

of our most devoted "workers," your support and care for our homeless, hungry neighbors is a powerful source of hope. For the people who come to us for help. For our staff... and for me personally!

This month, you have a special opportunity to make a difference for struggling people. September is Hunger Action Month – and we're inviting you to provide 30 meals over 30 days for our hungry guests. It's a meaningful way you can be a force for change here in Wyoming.

In September alone, we're preparing to serve 7,500

meals – and more in the weeks leading up to Thanksgiving. Your support will help provide these life-changing meals that fill bellies with nourishment... and fill lives with hope.

Just read how your generous gifts are bearing fruit in Scott's life, whose story is on Page 3. He is looking forward to a more hope-filled future – because of the dedication of "workers" like you!

Thank you for investing in the lives of more people like Scott during Hunger Action Month and throughout the fall season!

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Brad Hopkins, Executive Director

THREE REASONS ▼ TO THRIFT!

Folks say that our **Rescued Treasures Thrift Stores** are more than just treasure troves of great deals. They're also a triple blessing to the community! Here's why we humbly agree:

- Donated goods find new homes instead of being thrown out
- 2. Families can purchase needed household items at affordable prices
- 3. Whether you shop or donate, you're supporting WRM in an impactful way

Visit either of our stores today! You're sure to find a bargain... and you'll help support our life-changing programs and services.

Our hours are Monday through Saturday, 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., closed on Sundays.

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SEPTEMBER SPOTLIGHT: HUNGER ACTION MONTH







September is Hunger Action Month! Join our community in this month-long movement to fight hunger... and TAKE ACTION to help even more hungry people we'll welcome this fall.



Sign up to serve a meal



Donate canned goods



Provide groceries



Invite others to join you

For just \$2.58, YOU can provide a nourishing meal to end someone's hunger.
Send your gift today OR online at wyomission.org.





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OUR CURRENT NEEDS

Donate essential items this fall!

Throughout the busy fall season, we'll welcome even more guests than usual here at Wyoming Rescue Mission! And with more people to care for, our needs also increase.

Our 3 most needed items:

- ☐ Toilet paper
- ☐ New, warm socks
- Body wash, shampoo & conditioner

This fall season, you can give hope and healing by providing for these and other immediate needs of our guests.

Visit **wyomission.org/NeedsList** to see our <u>current needs list.</u>



HOW WILL YOU GET INVOLVED THIS FALL?



Donate essential items!

From food that stocks our pantry shelves to warm clothes that comfort weary bodies – every item you give helps provide lifesaving care for our community. And you can even spread the joy of giving by hosting a donation drive!

To see our urgently needed items, visit □ wyomission.org/NeedsList



Join us as a volunteer!

We'd love to see you here at WRM. Sign up to serve a meal, lead a class or share a message at a chapel service. There are many ways you, your family, friends or church can volunteer with us this fall!

To learn more, visit

☐ wyomission.org/Volunteer



Become a monthly giver!

Join other faithful friends who give monthly through our Monthly Giving Program! Start giving monthly this fall to provide a steady stream of support for our guests during our busiest season.

To learn more, visit

☐ wyomission.org/GiveMonthly



