



INSIDE Story

WHEELER MISSION MINISTRIES *Help. Hope. Healing.*
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Who cares?



Dear Friend,

In these days of instant, worldwide communications, we are bombarded with one crisis after another.

Often, the needs overwhelm our desire to help.

We are blessed that you have chosen to help people right here in our community!

Who cares for the homeless? You do!

Your support provides emergency shelter and meals at our Shelter for Men.

Who cares for mothers who want to get back on their feet in a safe, loving environment? You do!

Your gifts support our life-changing Center for Women & Children.

Who cares for those who want to return to their families and the community? You do!

Your donations provide counseling and life-skills classes through our addiction recovery programs.

Who cares? *continued >>>*

*“If it wasn’t for Wheeler,
my family wouldn’t know God”*

here’s how your gifts changed Jessica’s life

Jessica wasn’t alone when she arrived at the Mission. She had two young children, and a third on the way.

“I was trying so hard to take care of my kids, but I didn’t have a lot of support,” Jessica says.



Fortunately, she heard about Wheeler Mission's Center for Women & Children. The moment Jessica’s family arrived, they were overwhelmed and wide-eyed at the warm, loving welcome our staff gave them.

“It was hard for me to come here. I didn’t like admitting that we needed help,” says Jessica. “But my kids loved it. **And I was given more support than I’d ever had.**”

As part of our Family Development Program, Jessica learned so much – from business writing and finding a job to understanding how to finance a house and important study tips before taking her GED test.

While Jessica focused on her responsibilities during the day, her children received care and attention in our free educational children's ministry.

“If it wasn’t for Wheeler Mission, my kids probably wouldn’t know who God is. Now, they look forward to going to Sunday school.”

Jessica *continued >>>*

Our expanded Shelter for Men

2x the room = 2x the love!

your gifts are providing emergency shelter for vulnerable people

So many men are grateful for YOU right now!

There was a need for more shelter and care for the homeless men in our community – **and because of you, the Mission's expanded Shelter for Men is responding to that need, one life at a time.**

Since November 2014, we have welcomed thousands of men through our doors for emergency meals, shelter care and encouragement.

And with recent expansions to the kitchen, dining room and sleeping quarters, there's even more room for the 300 hurting neighbors who stay each night.



With recent expansions to our Shelter for Men, more homeless men have access to safe emergency shelter during our cold winters and hot, humid Indiana summers.

Thank you for sheltering so many people in our community! If you'd like to see this facility in person, contact Kathy at (317) 687-3626 or kathyhergott@wmm.org

to set up a convenient time for a tour.

Or support our emergency shelters online now! WheelerMission.org

HERBERT SIMON FAMILY FOUNDATION

Wheeler Mission Ministries wants to reiterate its appreciation to the Herbert Simon Family Foundation for its substantial contribution to our recently-completed Hope Begins Here Capital Campaign.

The foundation's generous grant

was a vital component of the more than \$6 million received for the renovation of the Shelter for Men and other capital projects.

We continue to be thankful for the Herbert Simon Family Foundation's broad support for central Indiana's community, and Wheeler Mission Ministries in particular. Words can never adequately express our gratitude.

>>> **Who cares?** *continued*

Along with our gratitude for your care comes this promise from Psalm 41:

Blessed are those who have regard for the weak; the LORD delivers them in times of trouble. The LORD protects and preserves them—they are counted among the blessed in the land.



Rick Alvis
President/CEO

>>> **Jessica** *continued*

Before the Mission, Jessica felt unstable and was disconnected from God. Now, she's seen the love of God at work firsthand. "The staff here has seen me at my worst and at my best, and they love me through it all. They showed me how much God cares about my family."

Coming to the Mission completely changed the lives of Jessica and her children. As she says, "I'm so grateful I can give my kids a healthy, happy childhood!"



With more beds and room to care for more men, we have even more chances to share God's transforming love with those in need.



TWICE THE FOOD

Step up to the challenge and help provide 50,000 meals in 97 days.

Donate **NOW** and double the impact of your gift!