“LIFE AS I KNEW IT CHANGED FOREVER.”

Bill’s life was changed in a split second of carelessness. Working as a driver for a construction crew, after years in the military, he finally felt like his life was looking up. Then one day, there was an accident.

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If all we do with your most generous gifts is feed and shelter the hungry and homeless in our Tri-State area, we’re not doing our job!

Meals and a bed will not keep people from being homeless. They also need education and job training – or support while they’re working and saving money for a place of their own.

“Man shall not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.”

Food and shelter alone will not end addiction. People trapped in the prison of alcohol and drug use need counseling and healing in their lives.

And every single one of the men, women and children who comes to your Mission needs God’s grace.

As our busiest time of the year approaches, I need your help to make absolutely sure people’s physical and spiritual needs are met.

Donate food, or send a gift to purchase it. Volunteer, especially before the holidays. And please pray – for those who so desperately need our help, and the Lord’s, to live better lives.

Tracy L. Gorman, President/CEO

A huge THANK YOU to our awesome Golf Scramble Sponsors!

Our generous sponsors made it possible to send more Tri-State area kids to our Camp Program at Camp Reveal this past summer. Thank you again!

What’s On The Menu?

Nourishing Food & God’s Love!

You can provide both with your 2016 Annual Thanksgiving Campaign gift! Please use the enclosed envelope, or give online at EvansvilleRescueMission.org. Thank you!
Bill was blindsided just when his life was getting on track.

While he was working, a construction vehicle backed up over him.

Life hadn’t been easy. He’d spent 32 years in the military, then had to transition back to civilian life in Ohio. He got a job as a driver on a road construction crew, and worked hard to make a new life for himself.

When he got hit, he suffered severe injuries to his back, shoulders and head. He spent months in intensive care. “Life as I knew it changed forever,” he says. “I was dependent on other people for everything.”

After intensive care, Bill was forced to stay in a nursing home while his condition was monitored around the clock. “I felt like a burden,” he says.

He remembered a Mission where he’d spent the night years ago.

“I was hoping they’d take me again, since I had nowhere else to go.”

We were so glad to see Bill again! Our staff welcomed him with open arms and immediately went to work to help him finish recovering from his injuries and become independent again.

He joined our P.A.C.E.S. (Purpose, Accountability, Christ, Education, Service) program, where he grew through classes and one-on-one counseling.

“I learned how to read the Bible for the first time,” Bill says, smiling. “I learned that asking for help, and receiving it, isn’t so bad.”

Aside from hot meals, safe shelter and classes, our staff also helped Bill as he continued his medical treatments and got him the documents he needed for disability support.

Bill’s body has healed – and he looks forward to having his own place and finding a job. “The Mission does a lot for the people here. They do an outstanding job at helping each person individually better their life and start over.”

Before, Bill was ashamed to ask for help. Today, he is grateful that there are people standing beside him. “I don’t know what I’d do without the Mission’s help. They showed me how to become independent again when I didn’t think it was possible.”
For 94 years, friends of your Evansville Rescue Mission have been making sure that the Tri-State’s less fortunate will be blessed with Thanksgiving food baskets. And there’s no way we can serve these thousands of people without you!

**VOLUNTEER:** You can help from mid-October to Gobbler Gathering Tuesday. Contact Sara Scott:

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DONATE FOOD: Please consider hosting a food drive or donating the food or funds for these needed items before Monday, November 21:

- 10-13 lb. frozen turkeys
- 5 lb. bagged potatoes
- 5 lb. bagged onions
- Fresh celery
- Canned goods: standard-sized (14 oz.) cans of green beans, corn, peas, cranberry sauce, yams & chicken broth
- Dried goods: cornbread mix, macaroni and cheese, stuffing mix, cake mix (no icing) & egg noodles

Drop off donations at the Mission, 500 East Walnut Street, 7 days a week.

Thank you!