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**Your love
helps Kevin**
*know he is
not alone...*

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NEIGHBOR
SUMMER CAMPAIGN



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Kevin was raised by a single mother who worked hard to give him a stable and healthy home. “She took care of me, and I had a decent childhood with a good education,” he remembers.

After serving in the military, he moved to Chicago for 15 years where he was married but eventually divorced. When his mother became sick, he moved back to take care of her, but returning to his home proved difficult.

“The divorce was hard on me, **I withdrew from everyone, and when COVID hit it made the isolation even worse.**” Division grew between himself and his mother – he was festering in his misery and solitude. His mother asked him to leave.

He had no motivation, no calling, and he felt hopeless in life. What’s worse, he perceived everyone around him as being against him and judgmental. **“I was completely withdrawn and had no aspirations... I felt so alone.”** Desperate for a new beginning and purpose, Kevin turned to your Evansville Rescue Mission.

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I’ve become part of a community that’s so important to me.
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In our Health and Wellness Program, Kevin’s life and outlook began to transform. “I’m learning to deal with adversity in a positive way.” He also found meaning in his work around your Evansville Rescue Mission as the head of safety, at the front desk assisting with intakes, and as a residential assistant.

He has discovered a passion for helping others that he plans to pursue when he graduates. **“I want to build a career in counseling to help others like I was helped.”**

Thank you for loving neighbors like Kevin “as you’ve loved yourself.” Your kindness has reminded him that he is not alone and that a better life is possible!

“The Mission has taught me how to cope with the hard times in a healthy way and given me a life-changing community. I had given up on life, but now I’m excited for my future and the things I know I can accomplish.”



A meal served with LOVE for a neighbor in need... **just \$2.93!**



A Message from TRACY L. GORMAN

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 our Tri-State area strong.

But people like YOU make the greatest difference... generous friends who go above and beyond to show love to neighbors in need. That's why I know I can count on your support over these crucial summer months – when so many local people 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 guests 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 Kevin that they are never alone. Read his story on page 3 of this newsletter – then consider how you can best respond to help more people like him this summer. We'll be so grateful.

Tracy L. Gorman
President/CEO

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The backbone of our ministry... **FAITHFUL FRIENDS CLUB MEMBERS**

Most people walk into your Evansville Rescue Mission with just the clothes on their backs. They're homeless, abandoned by friends and family. They have nowhere else to turn.

Our job is to take them into our family and make them feel at home. Feed them. Shelter them. Share the love of Christ.

Thanks to a very special group of people who really have faith in our work here in our Tri-State area, we have the resources to do just that.

These people are members of our Faithful Friends Club, and I would like to invite you to join them.



To learn more about becoming a member of this extraordinary group, call us at **(812) 962-6708** or email tori@ermstaff.org. To join now, visit EvansvilleRescueMission.org/how-you-can-help/monthly-giving.

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



It starts with a meal...



and ends with a life renewed!

Your gift of \$2.93 provides a hot, nourishing meal – and can lead to other life-changing services like shelter, Christ-centered counsel, and recovery.

Give to our Love Your Neighbor summer campaign... and show local people who are homeless and hurting that you care.



Give now!

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VISIT OUR WEBSITE:

Help is just a click away!

Whether you're struggling and want to know more about your Evansville Rescue Mission's programs or services or just want to donate items you no longer need to our Thrift Store, our website makes it easy to find resources.

Here are just a few of the ways to get in touch or get help:

- **GET HELP NOW** – If you or someone you know needs help, visit [EvansvilleRescueMission.org/what-we-do/](https://www.EvansvilleRescueMission.org/what-we-do/) to access information about our programs and contacts.
- **CONNECT WITH US** – For quick access to the program staff, thrift store, and other activities, visit [EvansvilleRescueMission.org/contact](https://www.EvansvilleRescueMission.org/contact).

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You're allowing kids to dream again

Childhood is a time of innocence... full of hope 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 your Evansville Rescue Mission helps protect our youngest, most vulnerable guests. You help provide a safe, nurturing environment where children can learn, grow, and thrive! These kids have hope for a brighter future through academic tutoring, spiritual encouragement, and counseling to heal from emotional 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.

