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Boston Rescue Mission Newsletter

SPRING 2022

Transformation of the Heart and Mind!

This Spring YOU will transform hopelessness into new life. You are supporting the transformation of homeless veterans and women and men struggling with homelessness, hunger and addiction. You will provide nutritious meals to hungry women, men, and families.

We are thankful for you in what we have accomplished together in 2021, in this challenging COVID time.

Together we transform lives like Jaime and Richard to help them get back into their careers and families.

Thank you for your compassion and continuous support, and may God fill you with the hope of new life this spring!

John


Rev. John Samaan, President



The Mission Saved Me from Living on the Streets

Hi, I'm Jaime. Before I arrived at the Mission, I was struggling to find a place to live. Rent was getting too expensive for me. I also had a disability problem with my lower back which required a surgery. Hoping to improve my life, I decided to move to Boston. However, life in Boston was not as smooth as I expected. When I first came to Boston, I lived with elderly members of my family, but since they lived in retirement homes, I couldn't stay there for a long time. I continued to move from place to place for a shelter until I found the Mission.

At the Mission, I met a case manager called Bob, and he told me to stay as long as I needed to get my life in order. The Mission gave me a job to work in their kitchen and help with laundry. They saved me, so I didn't have

"I have been doing the right thing and staying out of drugs."

to live on the streets. I found friends and positive people here. They placed me in programs to help me recover. In 7 months, I was able to graduate from the life growth program and move up to the 4th floor. I am truly thankful for what the Mission has done for me. I now take it easy, am careful with my back, and keep myself in good health while I apply for housing.

God bless those who help us. You can make others smile and make them feel welcome like what you did for me.

You make me smile and feel welcomed—Jaime



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My Gift To Feed & Shelter The Homeless

YES, John, You can count on me to help those in need. Here is my gift of:



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Your gift is tax-deductible as allowed by law. You will receive a receipt.



Good News! Mission Takes Extra Steps to Protect Guests and Staff

Throughout the pandemic, the Mission has taken steps to keep clients, volunteers, and staff safe. In addition to past precautions of washing hands, wearing masks, and social distancing, the Mission secured test kits for guests and staff and placed its Saturday volunteering outreach program on hold.

Guests and staff are encouraged to test themselves for Covid-19 if they experience symptoms or come into contact with someone who contracted the disease. With more variants emerging, the Mission will continue to do its best forward to ensure the safety and wellbeing of all its people.

Bequest: The Gift That Endures

Most people have no will or estate plan in place, which often leaves decision making to a process called probate, and probate fees can be prohibitively expensive. Through proper estate planning, you can minimize probate, thus leaving more for distribution to loved ones and charities. We hope that you'll consider a bequest provision to the Boston Rescue Mission in your will and estate plan. For more information on planned giving, visit our website at www.brm.org or contact John Samaan at **617-338-9000, ext. 1216**.

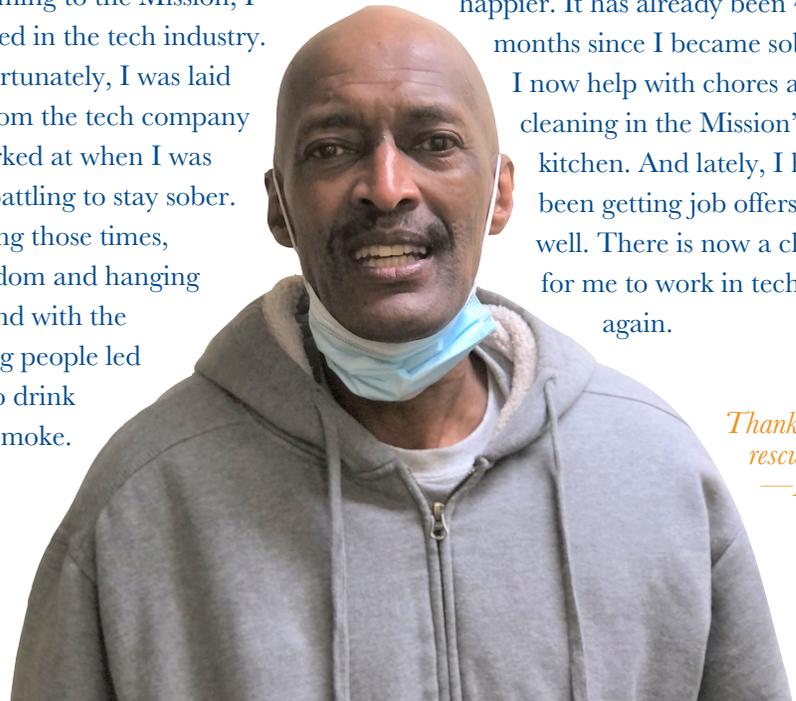


I'm Not Giving Up on My Tech Career

Hi, I'm Richard. I came back to the Mission after losing my house 4 years ago. At the Mission, I got a place to stay, food, counseling, and met nice people. I am now getting close to housing and looking to get back into the tech industry. Prior to coming to the Mission, I worked in the tech industry. Unfortunately, I was laid off from the tech company I worked at when I was still battling to stay sober. During those times, boredom and hanging around with the wrong people led me to drink and smoke.

"I don't drink and smoke anymore so my mind is a lot clearer now."

After receiving counseling at the Mission, I quit drinking and smoking. My mind is a lot clearer, and I feel happier. It has already been 4 months since I became sober. I now help with chores and cleaning in the Mission's kitchen. And lately, I have been getting job offers as well. There is now a chance for me to work in tech again.



*Thank you for rescuing me!
—Richard*

Giving Property Can Mean a 2nd Chance for Those in Need



Your gift of an old auto, boat, yacht, truck, motorcycle, aircraft, or RV to the Mission can give desperate people a second chance. Ask for a no obligation evaluation of your potential vehicle or property donation. Please call (617) 338-9000 ext.1216 or email Jsamaan@brm.org to make your donation. Thank you!

\$22.50 Does Much More Than Feed 10 Hungry People



Not everyone who comes to the Mission to eat is homeless. Between gas, rent, utilities, and medical bills, families don't have enough left over to buy food. They come to the Mission's kitchen or food pantry for meals to help tide them over and keep them on their feet!

So would you please provide as many meals and as much help as you can? Mail your gift today in the enclosed envelope, or give online at www.brm.org. Thank you!



**Sign Up to Receive
Receipts by Email**

To reduce cost and go green, the Mission began providing gift receipts via email since January 2021.

Signing up for electronic receipts is easy. Please email gifts@brm.org to start receiving email receipt for your gifts.