

124TH ANNIVERSARY

Rescue

YOUR GENEROSITY AT WORK

Boston Rescue Mission Newsletter

Spring 2023

Transformation of the Heart and Mind!

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

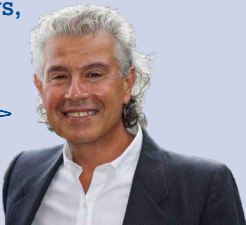
Because of your loyal support, we can serve Thousands of meals and shelter to homeless people every year. We are thankful for what we have accomplished together in 2022.

Together, we help transform lives like Jay and Kenneth and help them get back to their families and to society as law-abiding citizens.

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

Blessings,
John

Rev. John Samaan,
President



I'm Never Turning Back to Drugs

"There are always people I can rely on in the Mission."

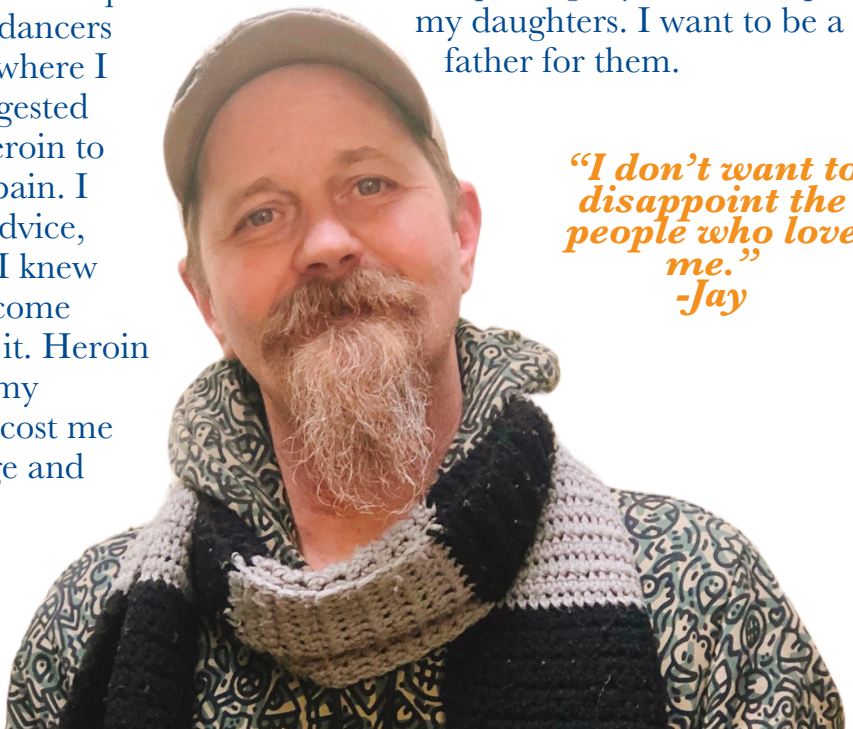
Hi, I'm Jay. I grew up in a lower upper-class family with attentive parents. Even though I was an only child, I lived next door to my uncle. His four older kids were like my siblings. I had an excellent home life without any worries. And later in life, I started my own family with two beautiful daughters.

I was also working as a DJ at that time, but I often suffered from terrible back pains.

One of the dancers at the club where I worked suggested that I try heroin to relieve the pain. I took their advice, and before I knew it, I had become addicted to it. Heroin did relieve my pain, but it cost me my marriage and family.

I felt very sick and tired of everything. When my friend saw me, he told me I needed to get myself together. I joined rehab and slowly moved away from heroin. The Mission allowed me to stay sober when I worked on my recovery. They gave me opportunities I can't get elsewhere, like health care, a job, and housing. I've been sober for six years thanks to their help. Currently, I'm repairing my relationship with my daughters. I want to be a better father for them.

*"I don't want to disappoint the people who love me."
-Jay*



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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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- Telephone — 617-338-9000 ext. 1211
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Please charge my gift on my credit card:

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



Prep a Meal with the Mission

The Mission serves nutritious meals daily. These meals include breakfast, lunch, and dinner for our homeless guests. We ensure that our guests have a balanced diet by serving a variety of foods, including meat, fruit, vegetables, and more. The Mission accommodates our guests with restricted diets, everyone can find something to eat in our kitchen.

Occasionally, we offer opportunities for volunteer groups to come prepare and serve a community meal for our guests. Groups will be responsible for gathering ingredients, cooking, and serving our guests. If you are interested in preparing a meal for our guests, sign up at our website, brm.org/volunteer.



Future Giving

You're Cordially Invited to Join the Mission's Cornerstone Society



"Give thanks to God for God is Good"
- Psalm 107:1

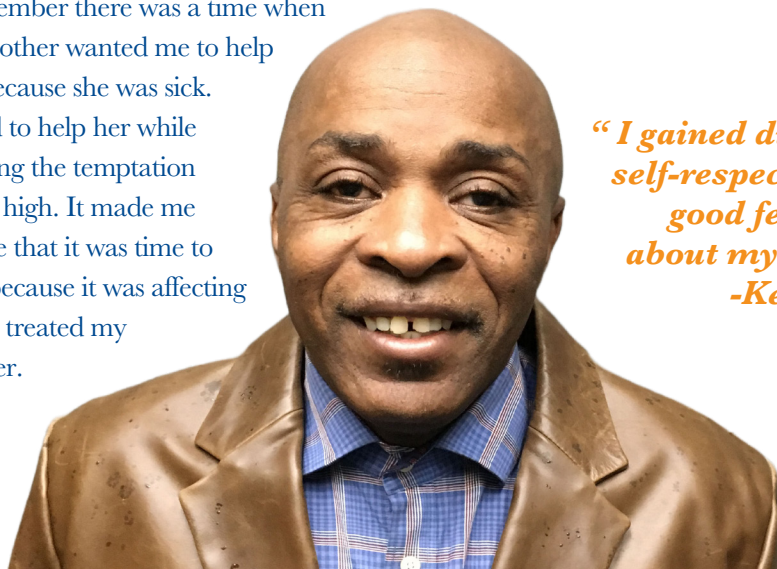
Your bequests can leave a lasting legacy, secure tax advantages for your family, and help us to prevent and end homelessness for years to come. For more information on planned giving, visit our website at www.brm.org/bequests-legacy-gifts or email us at : jsamaan@brm.org

I'm More than An Addict

"At the Mission, I know I'm in good hands"

Hi, I'm Kenneth. I grew up in a family with 14 children, an alcoholic father, and a hardworking mother. My mother supported us, while all my father did was drink. As I got older, peer pressure stopped me from going to school. Instead, I started drinking and smoking at 15. My mother was upset, but I was too young and hooked on marijuana. I remember there was a time when my mother wanted me to help her because she was sick. I tried to help her while resisting the temptation to get high. It made me realize that it was time to stop because it was affecting how I treated my mother.

I told my clinician to find a case worker who could help me in my recovery. She recommended the Mission as a safe homeless shelter where I could get support. I followed the program here and felt much better than before. I learned that there's more to me than being an addict. I'm a humble person, a father, a salesman, a great listener, and a great motivator.



"I gained dignity, self-respect, and good feelings about myself."
-Kenneth

YOUR OLD PROPERTY CAN HELP HOMELESS AND HUNGRY NEIGHBORS

Are you done with that old car, boat, RV, or motorcycle? Donate your property to the Mission for a tax deduction and transform lives too! Call John at 617-338-9000 x 1216 or email him at jsamaan@brm.org for a free, no-obligation donation evaluation.

\$22.50 Does Much More Than Feed 10 Hungry People

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

Your generous support provides hope and relief to people at risk of hunger and homelessness. Mail your gift today in the enclosed envelope, or donate online at www.brm.org. Thank you!!



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