



Leaving a Legacy of Care

Since 2001, caring partners like you have helped transform a countless number of lives through your support for Lexington Rescue Mission.

If you'd like to extend your compassion well into the future – and take advantage of certain tax benefits at the same time – then please consider making a bequest to the Mission through your will or other estate plans. Doing so is an easy but effective way to leave a legacy of care.

For more information, please contact Kim Livesay at (859) 381-9600, ext. 227, or at Kim@LexingtonRescue.org.

And if you've already included the Mission in your estate plans, please let us know so that we can properly acknowledge your generosity. Thank you!

You're invited!

As one of our valued ministry partners, you are cordially invited to join us for one of our weekly Discovery Tours!

These tours are a perfect opportunity for you to see first-hand how your gifts are making a difference in people's lives. You'll also learn about the future of Lexington Rescue Mission and our vision for bringing peace and prosperity to people in need in our community.

Tours are held every Friday from Noon to 1 p.m. at 535 W. Second Street. Lunch is included.

Make your reservation today by contacting Erin Dailey at (859) 381-9600, ext. 242, or at Erin@LexingtonRescue.org.

We hope to see you soon!



Join us for the Banquet and Silent Auction!

It's not too late to reserve your spot for the Mission's Banquet and Silent Auction!

The event will be held at the **Central Bank Center on Thursday, September 28**, beginning with an exciting silent auction at 5:30 p.m. and followed by dinner and program – including inspiring testimonies – at 7 p.m.

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Reaching Hearts... Changing Lives

Rescue **ALERT**

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“A heart for people who are broken and hurting”

As an individual who has not only suffered from addiction himself but has been a peer counselor, Richard knows what a good discipleship program should be all about.

That's why when an injury led to an eventual relapse, he came to the Mission and entered The Potter's House.

Read more of Richard's amazing story inside...



What you'll find inside

- We're thankful for... you!
- “We can't recover without love.”
- You're invited!

DONATE. VOLUNTEER. CONNECT. LexingtonRescue.org

YES, I'll bless people in need with food, housing and care this Thanksgiving season.

- \$25.92 for **12 meals and care**
- \$51.84 for **24 meals and care**
- \$75.60 for **35 meals and care**
- \$_____ to help as many people as possible

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Easily give your gift online:
LexingtonRescue.org.

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We're thankful for... you!

As we enter our busiest time of the year, I want you to know how thankful we are for YOU.

Only with your prayers and your support are we able to care for the men, women and children who come to us every day for food, housing, counseling and spiritual care.

Sadly, far too many people in our community are still struggling. With increasing food, gas, rent and utility costs, the number of families and individuals – including children and seniors – coming to us for help is increasing.

As the weather grows colder and the holidays grow nearer, we would be extremely grateful if you would consider helping again with a gift of any size to help feed and care for people in need.

I ask you to pray for those we serve, as well as our staff and volunteers.

At the same time, please let us know how we at Lexington Rescue Mission can pray for you and your family.

Thank you again for reaching hearts and changing lives through your partnership.

God bless you for caring!

Laura Carr

Complete Thanksgiving Dinner — just \$2.16

Even with rising inflation, it still takes just \$2.16 to feed a hungry man, woman or child at Lexington Rescue Mission! That's because, in addition to generous financial gifts from friends like you, donations of food and other supplies from local businesses keep our food costs stable and help make your financial gifts go further to feed and care for people in need.

As we prepare to serve thousands of meals to hungry guests this Thanksgiving season, just imagine how many dinners you can provide and how many lives you can touch with your gift! Please mail your donation today or give online at LexingtonRescue.org.

God bless you!



Today's Recipe

Turkey & All the Trimmings

Dinner rolls

Stove Top stuffing/dressing

Boxed instant potatoes

Packaged gravy mix

Canned corn

Green beans

Cranberry sauce

Canned yams or sweet potatoes

Brown sugar

Butter

Pumpkin pies

Boxed snack cakes

Directions: Combine with love and feed 10,500 hungry people.

Help fill the pantry for our Thanksgiving season dinners. Please drop off food donations at our Outreach Center, 444 Glen Arvin Avenue, Lexington. Monday – Friday: 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. Saturday: 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. For more information, please call (859) 381-9600.

No time to shop? Make a gift at LexingtonRescue.org.

“We can't recover without love.”

When he was just 19, two of Richard's uncles got into a heated argument over a piece of family land. “The uncle who was sitting across the table from me jumped up and shot my other uncle in the head and killed him -- right beside me.”

The trauma from witnessing the murder was a traumatic event that Richard had difficulty processing. “I had dabbled as a teenager with alcohol and pot, but things really took a change then. My recreational use became a full-blown addiction.”

Richard's grandmother raised him with a good spiritual foundation. “I always desired to serve the Lord, but my addiction was a big hindrance. I never felt I was worthy or good enough... there was no way I could live up to those expectations.”

“But then there came a time when God really spoke to me. The Scripture verse came to mind, ‘We all fall short of the glory of God.’ And that changed everything. I started to learn about grace and about a relationship with Jesus, versus trying to earn his grace and his love.”

Richard went on to become a certified peer support specialist and quit using. But an injury sent him back down. “I thought I could drink a little to relieve the anxiety and trauma.” When he realized his drinking had gotten “out of hand,” Richard went back into treatment, and it

was there he heard about the Mission and our discipleship program at The Potter's House.

“It's been a life-changing experience.”

What's different about being here? Richard says, “The uniqueness here is love. We can't recover without love. People can teach us all the clinical stuff, and we can learn some things from that. But truly someone who

is broken and down on their luck can never recover without love. That's what you find here that you don't find in these secular programs. This place is about loving you back to health and teaching you spiritually.”



“Without Jesus, we can't do it. We just can't. Recovery means healing, right? And He's the ultimate healer. That's what they promote here, and that's what I like most about it. They teach the love of Jesus by showing it to us.”

Thank you for making a difference in Richard's life through your prayers and support!

Lend a Hand This Thanksgiving Season

Looking for ways to get more involved with helping people in need? We have plenty of volunteer opportunities for individuals, groups and families!

For more information, please contact Zea Shipman, our Volunteer Coordinator, at (859) 381-9600, ext. 226. Or go to LexingtonRescue.org and click on “Volunteer.”

