

The Westminster Rescue Mission exists to advance the Kingdom of God by proclaiming God's Word and by partnering with local churches, businesses, social service organizations, caring supporters, and volunteers in order to provide ministries of relief, rescue and other services for individuals and families in need.







- On average **60,000 lbs** surplus
- Weekly pickups from 35 local
- 30 local programs receiving
- Over 1,500 adults and children
- served through on-site pantry • All pickup, sorting, weighing, distribution and delivery accomplished by men in



We partner with caring individuals, churches, businesses and foundations to improve the lives of thousands of needy men, women and children. We hope you can join us in our efforts to help make a difference in the life of a struggling mother needing help with food to feed her family or a homeless man needing a warm coat, or an addicted father seeking recovery and restoration with his family. Your support through volunteering, praying and/or giving will help make a difference to many of those in need.

"Thanks to the Westminster Rescue Mission and all the loving people God has seen fit to place in my life, I have found the missing piece to my puzzle, Jesus. Through His patience and gentle teaching, I have put the past where it belongs, behind me, and am moving on to the brighter days ahead." CRAIG, WRM GRADUATE



#### Your Clothing, Household Items and Recyclables

Schedule large pickups at your home.

All donations are tax-deductible.

Your Funds Give Financially By Mail, Phone or Online

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Your Shopping
Shop at one of our thrift stores for great finds!

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Your Prayers

Prayers are vital to the life of the Mission.

Your Time

Volunteer opportunities are available!



While known for its rural beauty and relative affluence, Carroll County and surrounding region is home to many thousands of families who struggle to make ends meet.

#### Each month over 500 families come to the Mission for supplemental food from our on-site pantry.

We are also a conduit of surplus food to other providers in this area, such as local senior centers, soup kitchens and in-school pantries. Between our on-site pantry and our re-distribution to other local service providers, we supply over 15,000 lbs of food each week to people in need.





JANUARY 2014 THRU JULY 2015 Men Entering Program | 125 Men In Program 30 Days or More | 57 Men In Program 90 Days or More | 47 Men In Program 6 Months or More | 14 Westminster Rescue Mission offers a **long term, faith-based**, residential Recovery Program:

- **Promotes Healing of the Brain** daily class and chapel curriculum stimulates new thinking, study of God's Word, and reflective writing; good nutrition, rest and exercise also help the brain to heal.
- **Builds on Success** highly structured day includes on-site work to build skill levels and focus on performance standards; regular and random drug/alcohol tests required.
- Support found in new relationships lasting friendships formed.
- On-site, clinical counseling to work through issues of trauma and pain.
- Reconciliation in relationships that were damaged during the years of addiction. Often, we are privileged to witness not just lives restored, but also families.
- Serving the community many of the workstations involve serving the community through our food program or our thrift operations.



## Meet Greg

beginning of the rest of his life.

Greg battled an addiction to opiates and alcohol for 20 years before he came to the Westminster Rescue Mission. Although he had dreamed about college and a future, Greg's life was hi-jacked by the darkness of drug addiction.

At the Mission, Greg met people who loved and cared for him when he couldn't love himself. He received counseling, teaching in the Bible, encouragement to build a vision for his future and help walking into that future clean and sober. Today, Greg is living independently and works two jobs. He talks about the decision to give his life to Christ as the



safe and finally begin to get my life back."

When survival for the homeless in our community is threatened by cold winter nights, the demand for emergency shelter increases. We offer beds at the Rescue Mission as a satellite emergency overnight shelter for homeless men.

### In addition to a warm bed, each guest receives a shower, hygiene products and breakfast in the morning.

This can be an important opportunity for men who are homeless and addicted to learn about our residential Recovery Program. Since we first offered this emergency shelter option at the Rescue Mission, several men have moved from homelessness into our residential Recovery Program.

Michael was one of those men -- he remarked "I didn't even know about the Rescue Mission when I was on the streets. I guess God brought me here so that I could be

# Thrift Program

- 2 retail operations open Monday-Saturday
- Woodworking shop managed by a Recovery Program graduate
- Voucher Program for people in crisis or emergency situations to receive furniture, clothing and household items. This is another way that our Thrift Stores provide an extension of our ministry to the least, the last and the lost.
- Recycling operation is another opportunity for the men in the Recovery Program to learn and develop marketable skills, while generating a substantial source of revenue to support our ministry.



Is there anyone who doesn't love a great deal? *The Spare Room* (28 E. Main St. Westminster) and the *Thrift Barn* (658 Lucabaugh Mill Road) offer an amazing array of items to prove that one man's junk is another man's treasure! The inventory is made up of all manner of donations from the local community.

This is another way the men in our Recovery Program engage with the community – they receive the donations, sort, stock and help with pickup and delivery of merchandise sold.

The Thrift Stores are important sources of revenue to our ministry, but they also provide great places for the community to shop, donate and engage with the men of the Rescue Mission. Each store is open Monday through Saturday and offers specials and deep discounts every day.