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MISSION SERVICES

Shelter 24 hrs./day 1050 W. Amador Las Cruces, NM. 88005

- Men's Dorms
- · Women's Dorms
- · Volunteer Dorms
- · Three hot meals served daily

Chapel

Up to 11 Hispanic and English chapel services weekly

Clothing Room 1416 S. Solano Mon/Wed/Fri - 9-11 AM

- Free Clothing
- Blankets & Jackets Needed

Mission Boutique 1022 Missouri Ave.

Mon.-Fri.: 11am-7pm Sat.: 10am-2pm *Subject to Change

• Clothing

- · Household Goods
- Furniture

MISSION NEEDS

Volunteers, Solar Project Funding, Underwear, Socks, Hygiene Items for all ages, Diapers, Baby Wipes

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- Dr. Brian Ormand
- Gilbert Bishop
- Elsie Bonfantini
- Ulli Dunn Dr. Norm Harrison
- Dr. Norm HaJulie Cadena
- Dr. Larry Tunnell
- Steve Sears
- · Benito Dutcher
- Miguel Torres

Daily Volunteers Needed to Sort Donations

Wear comfortable clothing & bring a friend, there is much work to be done! Please call to schedule a time.

MISSION PARTNERS

The Mission is now affiliated with four worthy organizations. Their logos are below.

They include the Evangelical Council for Fiscal Accountability, the Combined Federal Campaign, the Association of Gospel Rescue Missions, and the community Foundation of Southern New Mexico









I was hungry, you gave me food... I was a stranger, and you made me your guest...

I needed clothes, and you provided them. Matthew 25:35,36

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Mission Updates - NEWS FLASH!

The thrift store at 2100 Missouri Av. has been changed. It still belongs to the mission and provides a significant amount of income to help in providing for the needs of the poor and homeless of our community.

Donated clothing is sorted by quality and condition. The top quality clothes (designer names of clothes, purses, shoes, and other items) are sent to 2100 Missouri where our newly named, Mission Boutique, is still located.

Some pictures of the interior are included with this article. The next level of clothing is distributed free of charge at our clothing room on Solano and our shelter on Amador.

The rest of the clothing is bundled for shipment to other parts of the world, where it can be utilized by those who need it. We even try to use some of the worst items as rags and are reluctant to throw anything away.





Thank you for your donations of clothing and we ask that you continue to bring it to the shelter location at 1050 W. Amador where it can be sorted. We ask this because the other locations don't have room for sorting. Please stop by the Boutique and see the lovely "new" look of the beautiful store.

We have been blessed with new people and new equipment for the kitchen/dining room. Some of our new residents are being instructed on cooking and food preparation for a large number of people. The instructor has been a personal/professional chef and has been instrumental in the development of better quality food for the homeless population. We are planning a menu in advance to serve the most nutritious meals possible with what we have. The new equipment will be here before this newsletter is even published, but I wanted to mention it at this time. We have been given a brand new gas deep fryer for the kitchen. I will have pictures ready for the next issue.

The portable building is almost on-line at this point. We are still waiting for the required sprinkler system to be installed in the six bed rooms and the electricity has not yet been hooked up. The repairs on the inside walls are done and the cleanup is progressing at a good rate. Thank you for your patience with us in getting everything completed for the occupancy of this new facility.

The final update on facilities regarding the work on the property at 1420 Solano where the Thrift store was before last year's fire. The latest projection is to have the Mission Janitorial and Paper Supply up and running by no later than October. We are looking forward to offering our goods and services to the entire community of Las Cruces. This will enhance our ability to provide training for skills to our residents and enable them to be gainfully employed (by ourselves or other companies). Many of our residents are looking forward to this opening, because they have some new goals and desires to not remain homeless. It is our hope to help them and our city at the same time.

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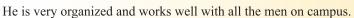
New Men's Shelter Director

We now have a new Men's Shelter Director!

This is something that we have be praying for because we can now let Steve Davis move to the position of Business Director.

The name of our new Shelter Director is J. D. Jones, and he brings a great deal of experience with him.

He has been involved with law enforcement and criminal investigation for many years. J. D. has helped the mission as a volunteer prior to accepting the position which he now holds.



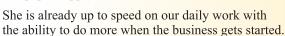


New CFO

Another new member of our staff just joined us a week before the writing of this article.

Christine Ray is now our Chief Financial Officer (CFO).

Her qualifications are very good and will enable her to do the work for the 501 (c) 3, but to also work with Steve Davis in the for profit janitorial and paper supply store.





Money & Me Graduates

Congratulations to our first class of graduates from the Money and Me financial class that is pictured here.

The class material was developed with the poor and homeless in mind; therefore, the material was very pertinent to their daily lives.

Thank all of you for hanging in there for the entire class.



Baptizing

Early in August, we had the privilege of baptizing two of our women from the mission.

I am not putting their names into this article, but they know that they have been saved by Christ through faith in His dying on the cross in place of them and all who believe.

Any of our supporting churches are welcome to ask those residents who want to attend church to visit their respective churches.

Here is a picture of our water trough that we use for the summer baptisms.





New Boutique Clerks

We have two more new employees to introduce to you. They are Patricia Ulloa and Jasmin Jasso our new clerks at the Mission Boutique located at 2100 Missouri. Please stop by



to meet the staff and look at the new store look.

Thanksgiving is coming soon

Please keep in mind that Thanksgiving will soon be here. This is always a time of year in which we are very busy with preparation for the Thanksgiving season. It has been our privilege to help the recipients of Meals on Wheels and the city workers who need this day off to be with their families. We always need drivers and kitchen workers that can help us on Thanksgiving day.



Energy Production (Jan-Aug 2019)

Energy Produced: **55.66 Mwh***Carbon Offset: **84.9 tons**Offset Equivalent: **988 Trees**

This energy report shows how our system performed and how much we contributed to offsetting the global carbon footprint.



*Mwh = Mega Watt Hour. One Mwh is equal to 1,000,000 watts of electricity used continuously for one hour

Solar Fundraising UPDATE

This investment will yield significant savings going forward, permitting us to dedicate more resources to improve services for the homeless, saving the mission as much as \$3,000 in electricity costs every month. This is a worthy effort. Please consider helping.

Please identify your separate contribution as going toward the Solar Energy Project.

Target: \$194,000.00
Raised: \$140,785.00
Remaining: \$53,215.00
As of Jun 18th, 2019

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