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December 2019

Happy Holidays

This time of year brings a lot of excitement...and a lot of busyness. Shopping, wrapping presents, baking, making plans to see family and friends - we anticipate so much fun and joy - especially for our children. For many it is a time of happiness and we wish you and your family a joyful Christmas.

For the homeless population, it can be a very sad time. Many do not have any contact with their families, have no funds to purchase Christmas presents for their children, and find it hard to feel

joy when most are feeling happy. Cornerstone Rescue Mission is proud to reach out and serve these individuals by operating as a substitute family for many of our guests. We also provide a nice Christmas meal, have Christmas activities, and give vouchers to our Thrift Store so guests can pick out Christmas presents for their children and family. Even in the darkness, there is always a light. Jesus is our light and literally our Cornerstone. Through His strength, we stand alongside those who have nothing, knowing that this is a temporary situation, and help them heal their hearts, minds and bodies before they move out on their own. The



Black Hills Detachment of the Marine Corps League brought in a check for \$750 to be used for the Veterans staying with us. So generous!

gift we receive is watching their light grow brighter and brighter as they heal, find employment and make future plans. Thank you for sharing God's light and love with the people we serve – it is the best gift you can give, and the best gift our guests receive.

> Merry Christmas to you and your family, Lysa



David Webb received a Quilt of Valor from the Bethel Sew-n-Sews ladies group. So amazing!



Black Hills Community Bank Employees "Pass It On"

Our friends at Black Hills Community Bank brought over a nice surprise the other day - \$500 for the veterans of Cornerstone! Unexpected gifts like this help us provide food, shelter and case management for the homeless veterans in our city.

Dennis Wagner, Community Banker, explained: "A significant portion of the bank's Giving Mission is done by our employees. Under the bank's Pass It On program, qualifying employees are awarded \$1,000 to contribute to a local Black Hills community non-profit organization. Our employees become ambassadors for the bank with their gifts. Since Pass It On was originated in 2010, \$350,000 has been donated by our Community Bank employees."



We were honored to have Dorothy Tinnell, Loan Processor, designate \$500 of her Pass It On money to the veterans of Cornerstone. What a nice surprise! We want to thank Dorothy and everyone at Black Hills Community Bank for all the ways they support Cornerstone!

Black Hills RSVP+ collected

Socks and Sweats (SOS) for the homeless veterans of Cornerstone as their Make A Difference Day project. Lorann Berg, Penny Dawson and Ann Hines (RSVP+ Director) presented Teena Conrad (SSVF Program Manager) with many items that the veterans can use. Thanks RSVP+ members! Paden Bruckner and his mother Tai brought in bags of personal care items for our guests. Paden requested to do this project for his birthday. How thoughtful!

We Are So Thankful



Black Hills Federal Credit Union collected blankets and sheets at all their offices. Brandi Wells and Amanda Grohs presented Cornerstone with 31 blankets, 12 sheet sets, and a check for \$671. Blessed

Sacrament Church also donated a quilt to raffle. Thanks to Black Hills Federal Credit Union, all their staff, the quilters of Blessed Sacrament, and everyone who contributed to keep our guests warm this winter!



Dan & DeAnna Holst purchased a much needed cart for the kitchen. We are so thankful!

Sandra Lyons, Phyll DeLap, and Carol Dormann dropped off approximately 300 pairs of socks for the men, ladies & children of Cornerstone. These socks were gathered by the generous members of First United Methodist, Canyon Lake United Methodist, and Open Heart Methodist Church. What a wonderful gift of cozy new socks. Thanks to everyone who contributed!







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Cornerstone Rescue Mission Foundation

There are several ways to plan today for the Cornerstone Rescue Mission's future. Gifts may include bequests, charitable gift annuities, appreciated assets such as real estate or stock, trusts, or cash. With a Planned Gift to the Cornerstone Rescue Mission Foundation, you can make a bigger difference than you ever thought possible.

IRA Charitable Rollover:

- As a result of legislation Congress enacted in 2015, individuals age 70¹/₂ or older can make gifts directly from their IRA to charity.
- Avoid taxes on transfers of up to \$100,000 from your IRA to the Cornerstone Rescue Mission.
- Satisfy your required minimum distribution (RMD) for the year.
- Reduce your taxable income, even if you do not itemize deductions.
- Make a gift that is not subject to the 50% deduction limits on charitable gifts.
- Help the Cornerstone Rescue Mission help people in crisis
- How an IRA charitable rollover gift works:
- Contact your IRA plan administrator to make a gift from your IRA to Cornerstone Rescue Mission.
- Your IRA funds will be directly transferred to the Mission to help continue our important work.

Please note that IRA charitable rollover gifts do not qualify for a charitable deduction.

If you have questions about an IRA Charitable Rollover gift, please contact Jim Castleberry at jcastleberry@cornerstonemission.org or (605) 209-0152.

Thanks for considering a gift to help the guests of Cornerstone!

Urgent Need! BLANKETS and fullsized TOWELS are needed at 30 Main!

MEN'S MISSION 30 Main St.

<u>KITCHEN</u>

thank You!!

Fruits and vegetables, eggs, milk, coffee, sugar, oatmeal, pancake mix Cream of mushroom or chicken sou all kinds of meat.

MISSION:

Foot powder, towels, twin-sized blankets, twin-sized sheets, cold weather outerwear, reading glasses, bottled water for sack lunches, personal hygiene items for men & women, backpacks.

CORNERSTONE THRIFT

401 – 11th Street Beds, furniture and appliances, kitchen items, home décor.

<u>WOMEN & CHILDREN'S</u> <u>HOME</u>

301 Fox Run Drive

Coffee, eggs, milk, cereal, sandwich bread, butter, sugar, laundry soap, dish soap, baby wash, baby lotion, kleenex, clorox wipes and personal hygiene frems.

VETERANS - 30 Main St.

Shoes, boots, thermal underwear, sugar, creamer, antiperspirant, lotion backpacks, coffee.

<u>APARTMENTS</u> 1220 East Blvd.

Dish soap and household cleaners.

ADOPT A FAMILY

Gas cards, oil changes, laundry soap dish soap, toilet paper, household items.

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO CORNERSTONE RESCUE MISSION (The enclosed envelope is for your convenience. We are serving more people every day. Your help is appreciated!)