

DEAR SUPPORTER,

Imagine if you had a few of your closest possessions stolen from you, the sense of loss in your heart and mind.

That is a real feeling for people experiencing homelessness, and often, the fear of losing a family heirloom prevents them from getting the help they need.

Hope Faith's *Heart Cart* Program plays a vital role in supporting individuals who are facing challenges with housing instability. This program not only provides a **safe and respectful space** for those who are often marginalized in our society to **store their possessions**, but it also contributes to a **safer and more inclusive community**. By offering this support, we not only assist these individuals with their immediate needs but also send a powerful message: they are valued, and they belong here.

Carol, 54, was on the streets and was storing her things here when she made the brave choice to go into drug rehab, knowing her things would be safe here; she made that step. Before the Heart Cart program, she was hesitant to seek help due to the fear of losing her few possessions. Now, with Heart Cart's support, she's taking steps towards a better future.

Frank, 63, had had a stroke, went into medical care, completed his therapy, and just needed two weeks to store his items and is now safe and secure in his own home.

Donald, 68, was able to store his favorite pictures and documents until he entered a nursing home, which was desperately needed after living in a tent for too many years.

When someone utilizes the Hope Faith Heart Cart Program, it is more than just a means to hold onto their possessions; it signifies their connection to our community. It indicates that we care about their struggles and, importantly, affirm their dignity. In a world where they often feel invisible, this program offers a tangible reminder that they have a place among us.

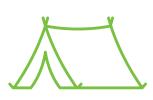
Doug Langner

Executive Director, Hope Faith Homeless Assistance Campus

P.S. Hope Faith has a unique opportunity to receive a **match of up to \$200,000.00**, so know if you give today, you can double your impact in our community as a whole. See more details in this newsletter.

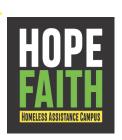
RENA'S JOURNEY: FROM STREETS TO HOPE

Hope Faith acts as the "emergency room of homelessness," offering essential services to help individuals achieve stability. We partner with other organizations to provide further support, including mental health counseling, substance abuse treatment, and housing navigation. Thanks to these powerful partnerships, Rena's life was completely transformed.



Rena utilized Hope Faith's essential services during the day, while sleeping on the sidewalk at night, right outside of Hope Faith. One night, she was attacked so severely that her arm broke, leaving her in a cast. This helped Rena realize that she needed shelter, and she needed it quickly.

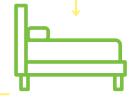
She came to Hope Faith's Winter Shelter, which serves as an Access Point to other services in the community. This is when she discovered Hope City, a place that could provide shelter and assistance with her substance addiction, and is one of our amazing partners.





"I remember one night there [Hope City's warming center], I was sleeping on a cot, with a full cast on my left arm, and I prayed to sleep in a bed, for I was just dreaming of a hotel room stay. I just wanted something in my circumstances, my situation, to just... get better."

Shortly after this night, Rena was offered a spot at Hope City's addiction program, which not only offers recovery skills but also a bed to sleep in. "When God answered my prayer of a bed... boy, did he answer me..."





While staying at Hope City, Hope Faith was able to extend her Heart Cart contract, keeping her belongings safe while she received the help she needed.

She reached out to Hope Faith, sharing her story and saying, "Thank you so much for your support since the day I had to walk through your doors and for all the help, love, and care."



"I am so humbled. I am so grateful. I chose to trade a life in the streets and in the space of 90 days, I received so much more!"

GET INVOLVED!

Unique Opportunity: \$200k Match Challenge for Hope Faith!

I'm excited to share a unique opportunity for Hope Faith! A generous donor has pledged to **match donations up to \$200,000** from now until the end of October. Every **dollar you give will be doubled**, significantly enhancing our ability to connect individuals with Care, Rest, and Work.

This matching challenge is vital in helping us provide essential resources to our community members facing homelessness and hardships. We encourage you to contribute during this period and share this opportunity with others who may be interested in helping.

Together, we can make a lasting impact! Thank you for your ongoing support. If you have any questions or would like to discuss further, please don't hesitate to reach out.

HOW TO DONATE

1. Donate on our website!

Make a one-time donation or become a recurring donor!

Click to donate!



2. Donate via check!

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WATER WITH HOPE

Donate cases of water to keep our guests hydrated, safe, and filled with Hope this summer.

Water can be dropped off Monday-Friday, 8 am - 2 pm, at our campus.

