

## MISSION, VALUES, AND VISION STATEMENTS

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THE CITY MISSION EXISTS TO SHARE THE PASSION OF JESUS CHRIST WITH THE NEEDY AND HOMELESS BY PROVIDING COMPASSIONATE CARE THROUGH MEETING THEIR PHYSICAL AND SPIRITUAL NEEDS.

### MISSION VALUES:

- **CHRIST-LIKE:** City Mission reflects Christ's love with integrity in all of our actions, ethics, and decisions in helping those who come to us for help
- **COMPASSIONATE:** We minister to the physical, emotional, and spiritual needs of all those who come to the Mission with empathy, kindness, and patience
- **COMMITTED:** We pledge to serve the needs of all people, regardless of color, creed, or culture.

OUR VISION IS TO END HOMELESSNESS ONE PERSON AT A TIME BY CONSTANTLY IMPLEMENTING NEW WAYS TO HELP MEET THE NEEDS OF PEOPLE.

# 2012 ANNUAL REPORT



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ON FACEBOOK!**

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## BOARD OF TRUSTEES 2012

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Dewey Harris, Mission Director

## 2012 FINANCES (UNAUDITED)

REVENUE—TOTAL—\$593,589  
Net Assets (12/31/2012)—\$1,312,185

SOURCE	PERCENT
Grants	7.6%
Bequests	2.3%
Individuals	61.7%
Churches	17.7%
Business	6.7%
Civic	1.6%
Other	2.4%

EXPENSES—Program—\$539,005  
Administrative—\$98,627  
Fundraising—\$70,238

ITEM	PERCENT
Salary & Burden	54.6%
Food	11.4%
Utilities	3.9%
Employee Medical	7.5%
Operating Expense	16.8%
Non Operating Expense	3.2%
Fundraising	2.6%

## CHRISTIAN BASED PROGRAMS

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### **New Life Directions, Dewey Harris, Dir.**

New Life Directions Program (NLDP) is unique in that it is based solely upon Biblical principles. In 2012 we worked with seven men in the NLDP. Four of those men successfully completed this rigorous program after which they secured employment. This past year we saw God work in the hearts of these men by empowering them to set aside addiction and replace it with passion for Him (Ephesians 4:17-31). We pray that the NLDP will continue to grow and that it will promote God's fame.

### **The Day Center, Clara Harrod**

Over the last year, a Day Center has begun at the Mission, introducing daytime services that allow those in need to find shelter, phone and computer access, and a noon meal particularly in bad weather. The Day Center welcomed 550 different guests, with 440 residents and 110 guests utilizing Day Center services. The highest attendance on any given day in the Day Center was 23 different men and women.

Volunteers are available to help them use the computer to write a resume, fill out an application, look for jobs online, and participate in practice interviews. At the current time, there are 6 regular volunteers who come in and provide varied assistance. This assistance comes in the form of discussion groups and information about work, education, interpersonal skills, and more. A nurse comes in to take blood pressures once a week, discuss health concerns, and impart health-related information. Local job opportunities are posted daily to help those who are looking for work. These experiences help to improve the guests' self-confidence. Use of Day Center services and assistance yielded the attainment of 120 jobs.

## HISTORY

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The City Mission of Findlay, Ohio, was founded in 1934 in the home of Mary Carmen. Mary's call to serve came in response to the Great Depression when many local families and individuals suffered from a lack of the basic necessities of life. She operated the Mission out of her home for 39 years with the help of a few volunteers and private donors.

After Mary's death, the Mission was moved to North Main Street, then to West Main Cross Street. Under the direction of the Reverend Mabel Lee, the Mission was incorporated as a non-profit organization in 1975. During those years, Mabel provided shelter, food and clothing to men, women and children. In the 1980's, the Mission served as the first local domestic violence facility for women and children.

During its 78 year history, the Mission has maintained its emphasis on the power of the gospel to touch and heal broken lives.

A 6,000 s.f. addition to the West Main Cross Street building was completed in 1998. The new facility made it possible to provide private quarters for families, a 4-bed women's area and 3 dormitories for men. In addition, a new kitchen and dining/chapel area were opened enabling the Mission to offer evening meals to local walk-in guests.

A twelve-member Board of Trustees oversees the work. In 2009 the staff was increased to include an Executive Director and a Women's Director. In 2010 a food box program was offered. In 2011 the Mission opened a day center. In 2012 a bicycle ministry was added to the Mission's programs.

## STATEMENT FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

The core value of Rescue Missions is to serve people in need because we believe that every person has value. Treating people with dignity and respect when they come to our Mission is the first step in encouraging them to find employment and housing. This is important because most homeless people are already discouraged when they come to the Mission. Many have turned to family or friends first. It is not until they realize that they cannot depend on others indefinitely that they are faced with their last option: they must go to the Mission shelter. Having to stay in a homeless shelter makes their situation more difficult.

Every day the Mission sees men, women, and families who are in a crisis situation because that is what homelessness is, a state of being in crisis. There is a sense of urgency for most people to get out of this crisis situation quickly because when they come to the Mission they have feelings of fear and panic. They do not want the stigma associated with being in a homeless shelter, and their urgent need to leave causes some to make the decision to go before they should. As a result they end up homeless again because their decision to leave offered no lasting solutions to ending their homeless situation.

2012 was another busy year of helping people, when you look at the statistics you will see that the number of people needing our services increases each year. The services we provide are made possible through dedicated volunteers and faithful donors. The message of hope we offer in the name of Jesus Christ is an important part of our service and is the reason why we are involved in this ministry. As we begin another year of service please continue to be faithful in your financial support, and please remember the Mission staff, volunteers and our guests in your daily prayers.

In Christian Service,  
Dan Hicks

## ACTIVITY REPORT

### JIM DAVISON, MEN'S DIR.

	Drop In Guests	Meals Served
<b>Men</b>	<b>3,061</b>	<b>25,969</b>
<b>Women</b>	<b>1,947</b>	<b>7,557</b>
<b>Children</b>	<b>813</b>	<b>6,054</b>
<b>Totals</b>	<b>5,821</b>	<b>39,580</b>

2012 was once again a record-breaking year in terms of the services of the Mission. Once again we had the most meals served, the most beds filled, the most residents, the most food boxes given away, all in the same year. Witness:

- 68.5% of the men who stayed at the City Mission in 2012 were from the local area.
- The total number of lodgings for men in 2012 was 7,636.
- Of 224 different men who stayed at the Mission last year, 107 of them made a successful transition back into the community by using their stay to rebuild their resources and secure a place to stay.
- In 2012 there were 104 men who found work while staying at the Mission (in addition to those who were already working when they arrived).
- In 2012 the Mission gave out 996 food boxes to families in need in the community.

This type of growth is challenging to maintain. Pray for us that the Lord will give us the resources to continue to grow and serve the poor in 2013!

### Women & Families, Karen Crawford, Dir.

In 2012 we had 166 Women and children residents; 74 of those left the mission successfully!

This year we experienced an influx of resident in the warmer months of the year and a larger request for families with 4 to 5 children. The only thing predictable about rescue work is that it is unpredictable! However we continue to strive to plant the seeds of change with all of those who come to the City Mission, knowing that one person, one family, we are ending homelessness one person at a time. With the invaluable team of City Mission what we collectively accomplished on a weekly, monthly, yearly basis is truly amazing; in my humble opinion it has been another year well done!