

MISSION *in* MOTION

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The power of
your love...
in action

MARCUS IS *celebrating new life* THIS EASTER!

Thank you for touching
his life with hope.



"I have faith again."



Marcus lost both his parents at a young age. Because no other relatives were willing to take him in, he entered foster care. "I felt abandoned and left for dead," he says, "like nobody wanted to give me a chance."

Feeling like everyone had given up on him, Marcus gave up on himself. As a young adult, he joined a gang and saw friends dying all around him.

When Marcus became a father, he was determined to give a better life to his two children. He left the gang lifestyle, found a good job and his own apartment. "But just as I was starting to get on my feet, COVID hit," he says. Marcus's job as a cook disappeared seemingly overnight, and he struggled to afford rent.

"I was one step away from being on the streets," he says, until he came to the Rescue Mission, where his life began to change.

Marcus credits the faith-based environment of the Rescue Mission for the transformation he's experienced in his life. "Being here, I haven't had to worry about anything but God, just serving Him and giving Him my time."

Legacy Giving: Two FREE resources

Sharing your passion and causes you care about with your family is one way to leave a lasting legacy.

We're offering FREE resources to make writing your Will, and creating a planned gift, easier than ever.

On our website's legacy giving page, you can:

- Download a Free Christian Wills Guide with 4 Easy Steps to creating a God-honoring, Money Saving Will
- Create Your Free Will or Trust online through FreeWill in 20 minutes or less

Leave a powerful legacy for your family and a lasting gift for those experiencing homelessness. For more information, contact Sonny Pyon, Donor Relations Officer, at spyon@sdrescue.org or (619) 819-1849.

JUST SCAN THIS CODE
TO GO ONLINE



"IF YOU WANT TO CHANGE YOUR LIFE, THE RESCUE MISSION IS A GREAT PLACE TO BE."

Thanks to the classes and guidance he received through the Rescue Mission, Marcus has also been able to complete his GED! Today, he's taking steps toward completing his HVAC certification and interviewing for jobs. "The Rescue Mission has given me the tools I need to get back out into society and be productive."

Your generous support has filled Marcus's life with love, encouragement, and most of all, hope this Easter season. "Before I came to the Rescue Mission, I struggled to believe that I could really change my life... but they've given me faith again."



Easter²⁰²² ANNUAL CAMPAIGN

**You can help transform
hearts and lives!**



41,060 meals

\$2.05 for a meal!



13,020 nights of shelter



**1,593 men, women & children
served**



Thousands of hours of
education, job training &
counseling

*Thank you for sharing
hope & joy this Easter!*

*"Why do you look for the living among the dead?
He is not here; he has risen!" – Luke 24:5-6, NIV*



A Message from DONNIE DEE



The everlasting hope **OF EASTER**

As we celebrate the joy of Easter morning, we must also remember the pain and sorrow of Calvary. The agony Jesus faced and the fear His friends and followers felt when they thought all hope was lost.

Many of the people who come through our doors also feel like all hope is lost. They look back on their lives and feel nothing but brokenness... regret... shame.

But this Easter, they can experience the heart-warming joy and love that comes through new life in Christ! Your support helps us share that message of hope in San Diego County all year long, but most especially during the miraculous Easter season.

The Bible tells us, "And God

is able to bless you abundantly..."

(2 Cor. 9:8 NIV). Through your gifts to the Rescue Mission, you pass on those blessings to those who come through our doors!

Thanks to caring friends like you, this Easter will be a time of rejoicing for those who have found abundant life in the arms of our Risen Savior... and a time to welcome anyone in need of everlasting hope.

I pray that you, too, will be filled with blessings and peace this Easter!



Donnie Dee
President/CEO

HELP MEET OUR EASTER NEEDS

**Saturday, April 9: Our Easter Community Meal
is from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.!**

You have a BIG heart for those in need – and this Easter, we have a great way to show how much you care! Between now and Easter Sunday, we're preparing to serve **thousands of hot meals** and provide men, women and children with **basic necessities like safe shelter, clean clothing and Christ-centered care.**

Our hurting neighbors in San Diego County are turning here, longing for a second chance in life... and we're counting on YOU to help them.

Please give today to help provide the meals and care that can make their new beginning possible!

Donate now! ☎ (619) 819-1888 ✨ [SanDiegoRescueMission.org](https://www.san_diego_rescue_mission.org)

Changing lives in San Diego County

Your support helps us impact San Diego County, one life at a time!



DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO

We're helping people get off the streets and build new lives by offering:

- Emergency shelter for women & children
- Licensed preschool for children experiencing homelessness
- 12-month residential program, Mission Academy, offers men, women and single parents the tools & training to transform their lives



NORTH COUNTY

Our Bread of Life Center in Oceanside addresses immediate needs of our homeless neighbors by providing:

- Nightly meals
- Groceries through our food pantry
- Ongoing shower ministry offering clothing, snacks & prayer
- Resource navigation



Learn more about the life-changing work happening across San Diego County!

 Visit sdrescue.org/what-we-do/