

Madera Rescue Mission

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From the Director's Perspective

Change is always difficult, and yet we are called to continually move & grow towards something more.

2 Corinthians 5:17 Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new.

The Mission is truly undergoing transformation. This change can be seen both externally as well as internally. With all this change one can expect pain, but through the pain we will invariably see growth.

Please pray for the Staff, the Board and our amazing compliment of Volunteers as we continue to expand God's Kingdom right here in Madera.

God Bless and Thank You for your faithful prayers and loving support.

Mike Unger
Executive Director

We've been asked,

"What does it mean to partner with the Madera Rescue Mission?" – Have a read...

My name is Jesse Varian. When I first came here I was broken and without hope. Thanks to the staff here, I learned that if you have faith, anything is possible. The Madera Rescue Mission gave me a safe place for me and my 10 year old daughter Cecilly so we could stay together.

What this place has taught me is that with God, all things are possible. I now live in a house which I thought would never happen. I give all thanks to God and the Mission for all that has happened for us.

This is the Ruelaz Family! We just wanted to share a few words with the Madera community about the Madera Rescue Mission/MRM. They are very blessed and a good organization. Their team/staff is very amazing. My family and I were displaced by numerous problems from our old home, which included water damage, mold, etc. We were at a point in life where we had never been before. However, the (MRM) opened their doors to my family and I. We are a family of seven which had been displaced with our belongings damaged. My family would like to **EXTREMELY** thank the MRM/staff at the emergency shelter for their help support and love. My family and I would encourage other families that need help to check them out.

Thank you
Ruelaz Family

Hello my name is Ashley Bullock. I heard about the Madera Rescue Mission when I was in a mental health facility in Visalia,

CA. This place has been so warm and helpful, and I am very appreciative for that. I have been homeless for most of my adolescent and adult life with no real permanent home for myself, and now my 3 ½ year old son Michael. I can't say why we're homeless, all I know is that I have never had a bigger smile on my face every morning just from being here. Yet I know for Michael's sake that I needed to leave my family behind. As for the future I don't know where I will be; that's up to God to decide. As for the Mission they provide great service. Thank you to all the supporters for helping us through this tough time.



***Partnering with the Madera Rescue Mission brings positive change that's made a difference.
Jesse & Cecilly Ashley & Michael and of course the Ruelaz family, all say
THANK YOU!***

"Building on a Firm Foundation"

1 Corinthians 3:11 For no other foundation can anyone lay than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ.

Discipleship Program Graduates EIGHT

This photo taken below by the Madera Tribune on February 28th, 2014 honors (8) recent graduates of the Madera Rescue Mission's twelve month in-patient recovery program.

These Disciples have spent many hours in both classroom and life experience training and as a result they have moved to their final phase which includes a six month after-care component.

With the six month aftercare portion, some have opted to leave the Mission to complete this segment of the program. While others have chosen to utilize our transitional

residential facilities while they complete their schooling, or while procuring employment.

We are very proud of their accomplishment and as a donor partner you too had a hand in this benchmark achievement.

It gives us great pleasure introducing them to you beginning from left to right:

Micah Gabbard, Chance Alexander, Aaron Heinrichs, Douglas Elmore, Teresa Tavis, June Lawson, Brandi Encinas, and Winter Murphy.

CONGRATULATIONS!



These are a few of our daily suppliers of donated food and supplies that allow us to serve the community daily



Thanks for your generosity; MU

**Little Caesars
pizza!pizza!**

God Bless your kindness; DC



Thanks! EC



Such a Blessing; JT

Fastway Fried Chicken



Best Fried Chicken in Town



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5K

**8am Saturday
April 26, 2014**

Madera Fairgrounds

**\$25 for adults
\$20 ages 10-17**

**Hurry! Only 500
participants allowed.**

**Register at
secondwind5k.com**



**Come & get your
motors running**

- *First annual timed Run/Walk in Madera*
- *Medals for age categories from teens to grandparents*
- *Inaugural trophy for the winning time*
- *All proceeds to benefit co-sponsors, Madera Rescue Mission & Madera Food Bank*
- *Free tickets to Speedway races that evening for the first 500 racers*
- *Collectible first run t-shirt*
- *Sponsorships still available call Mike @ 675-8321*

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