2021

IMPACT REPORT

























Kevin's Story



Kevin Mitchell came to The Midnight Mission with a desire to get sober. He realized he couldn't stop using on his own, and needed help. The gift of desperation brought him through the doors of TMM.

Kevin's first month was the hardest to get through. Living his life in the depths of addiction, he found it hard to trust other people. When a doctor gave him a medical diagnosis, he thought the physician was lying. Accepting the truth of this diagnosis was a turning point in Kevin's recovery journey.

Kevin realized The Midnight Mission was offering more than sobriety. TMM was going to help him establish a new way of life. Through the recovery program, Kevin is learning how to live life morally and selflessly. He is working toward having a place of his own. One of the

most significant rewards he has received is beyond monetary value; it is peace of mind.

Kevin has found purpose in helping others. He has a job and a loving relationship with his family. He said he knew the program was working when he realized Kevin has found purpose in helping others. He has a job and a loving relationship with his family.

he'd never been sober this long. Kevin has experienced profound changes in his perspective. He has gained the wisdom that he can learn and grow through failure. Kevin knows that acceptance is the answer today.

Today, Kevin has found a community of people and is connected. He wants to thank the staff at The Midnight Mission for inspiring him to get his life together. His heart is forever grateful, and he says there is no way he could

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pay back the priceless gift TMM has given him. To pay it forward, Kevin encourages others to learn about the program, but even more importantly, to put the program into action. He says if he can do it, anyone can!

YOUR IMPACT IN 2021

845,036 MEALS SERVED

177,380 NIGHTS OF SHELTER PROVIDED OVER 12 MONTHS

44,580 HYGIENE KITS DISTRIBUTED

15,495 FOOD BOXES DISTRIBUTED

27,175 SHOWERS

12,536 VOLUNTEER HOURS

3,880 AA/NA meetings hours attended

619 employment counseling sessions

137 families served (HomeLight)

697 Individuals served

147 found employment

94 transitioned to permanent housing

Angela De Los Santos, TMM Alumnus Community Inspiration

Angela de Los Santos never imagined being homeless. She and her six kids had their own place, but the conditions were deplorable. With part of

the ceiling missing, there were mice and cockroaches coming into her home. Fearing for her children, she reached out to the courts for help but received none.

Angela left and used her rent to stay at a cheap motel in Hollywood, but the money ran out quickly. Her kids could eat breakfast and lunch at school, but Angela could only earn enough to barely get by from day to day.

En route to her kids' school, she met someone from The Midnight Mission who invited her to our Family Living Program. Angela had images of what a mission was like: nothing but alcoholic men, and she wanted no part of it. Then, right before Christmas and having nothing for her kids, she came to TMM. Angela remembers being overwhelmed to tears when someone asked if they could pray with her and how they could help.

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After your support met their immediate needs, you provided Angela the resources to get a better job. She and her children were finally on the road to recovery from homelessness. She went from not knowing how to turn on a computer to

being proficient in Microsoft Office. She soon had a new job and began saving enough money to buy a car and move into their own apartment.

AmeriCorp asked Angela to participate in a pilot program in Skid Row. She became a street-based outreach connector. She connected the homeless community with the critical services needed to make a fresh start. Angela was able to transform her ideas and passion into service. One of her boys started helping and is now working with Americorp.

Angela wanted to do even more, so she went back to school and graduated last year. She is now a program manager at the Los Angeles County Department of Health Services. Angela wants everyone to know it is never too late to start your life over. Thank you for making Angela's new life possible.

Life-Changing Programs and Services

RECOVERY

Our Comprehensive Recovery Program not only helps to end the cycle of homelessness, it improves the quality of life for anyone who comes through our doors. Our staff actively engages with participants to motivate and sustain change. With strong educational, vocational, legal, and health and wellness resources, our customized program gives each person the tools they need to become self-sufficient.

EMERGENCY HOUSING

The Crisis and Bridge Housing Program works in partnership with homeless service providers serving chronically homeless women and men in the Skid Row community. Your gifts provide on-site medical and mental health care, temporary housing, meals, case management and service triage, access to our on-site school, computer learning center, job and career counseling, and connections with housing resources to quickly end their episode of homelessness.

HOMELIGHT

HomeLight Family Living provides the path for families in crisis to reunify, rebuild, and restore their lives. You provide education, career preparedness, counseling, and life skills to break the cycle of abuse and poverty and ensure independent, successful living.

MEALS

At TMM, our meal service is our initial engagement with those experiencing homelessness. A meal becomes the starting point in rebuilding a broken life. There is a significant need for meals for those who are impoverished, disabled, and elderly or supporting a family with limited resources.

EDUCATION

At TMM, we strongly believe that an investment in education pays lifelong dividends for each of our participants. On average, 35% of those entering our program do not have a high school diploma or GED, so our Academic and Career Excellence Center (ACE) is vital to their future success. We provide education opportunities to our participants that increase their chances of entering the job market, earning a living wage, and much-needed benefits.

HEALTH

The Midnight Mission's (TMM) Healthy Living Program is a residential program where participants stay an average of 12 months. The program encompasses primary healthcare, wellness classes, and exercise opportunities designed to improve physical, social, and emotional health. Many of our participants, who are homeless or low-income individuals, have long-overlooked chronic health conditions, including those prioritized by California Hospital Medical Center obesity, diabetes, mental health issues, and oral health problems.



Please call us at **213.624.4106** or visit our website at **www.midnightmission.org** for ways to give.

BECAUSE YOU GIVE

People experiencing homelessness are offered a bridge to self-sufficiency through recovery services, counseling, education, training, workforce development, and continued care services. People experiencing homelessness have the necessities of life: food, shelter, clothing, personal hygiene needs, and medical care. We remove obstacles and provide the accountability and structure that people who are experiencing homelessness need to be productive in their communities. Our conviction and commitment to their success define us.

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Your support will allow The Midnight Mission to provide a path to self-sufficiency to individuals and families who have lost direction.



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6 YEARS IN A ROW



