



## Leave a Legacy of Hope and Healing

Thank you for sharing your blessings with our neighbors in need. You can continue to bring healing and hope to people who are broken and hurting... beyond your lifetime.

When you remember Crossroads Mission Avenue in your will or estate plan, you ensure that your spirit of compassion continues blessing others tomorrow and beyond.

How you wish to give is up to you: cash, real estate, property or stocks. And it's easy to update at any time.

For information on planned giving opportunities, please contact our Grant Development Director, Linda Barrett, at **(402) 462-6460** or [linda@crossroadsmission.com](mailto:linda@crossroadsmission.com).

## LEND YOUR TIME AND A HELPING HAND

Volunteer on your own or as a group! The Mission is always in need of caring, compassionate volunteers to lend a hand in the following areas:

- Mission Avenue Thrift Store
- Food Recovery Program
- Volunteer Driver
- Maintenance
- Kitchen Help
- Special Projects

Ready to get started? Here's how:

For more info, call **(402) 462-6460**.  
Fill out our volunteer application at [crossroadsmission.com/volunteer](http://crossroadsmission.com/volunteer) and email it to [Tabby@crossroadsmission.com](mailto:Tabby@crossroadsmission.com).



### YES! I'll help feed & care for my neighbors in need this fall:

- \$15.19 to feed & care for 7 people
- \$23.87 to feed & care for 11 people
- \$39.06 to feed & care for 18 people
- \$52.08 to feed & care for 24 people
- \$\_\_\_\_\_ to help as much as possible

Helps a lot!

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY / STATE / ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

- CHECK ENCLOSED    BILL MY CREDIT CARD
- VISA    MASTERCARD    DISCOVER

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CREDIT CARD # \_\_\_\_\_

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# Changed Lives

Fall 2025

CROSSROADS  
MISSION AVENUE

STORIES OF LIVES SAVED THROUGH YOUR HEARTFELT SUPPORT

## YOU are a blessing!

INSIDE: Ashley shares how your support gives her hope.



### DON'T MISS...

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**SERVING THOSE IN NEED SINCE 1983**

# Hearts and lives are full... thanks to YOU!



## A Message from DANIEL BULLER

As the seasons change, I'm reminded of Jesus' words to His disciples: **"The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few."** As one of our most devoted "workers," your support and care for our homeless, hungry neighbors is a powerful source of hope.

In this season of gratitude, I reflect on the life-changing impact that friends like you made in Central Nebraska. Last year, 48% of Crossroads guests moved on to sustainable housing situations, and 235 individuals got a job while in our 4-Phase Recovery Program. Our hungry neighbors also benefited from the 1,495,089 pounds of food products provided to local pantries.

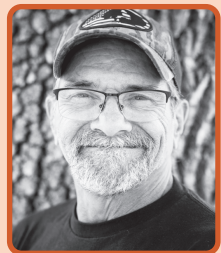
September is Hunger Action Month, and we're preparing to serve 18,666 meals, care and more in the weeks leading up to Thanksgiving. Your support provides meals that fill bellies with nourishment... and lead to life-change services that restore hope.

**Just read how your generous gifts are bearing fruit in Ashley's life, whose story is on Page 3.** She is looking forward to a more hope-filled future – because of the dedication of "workers" like you!

Thank you for investing in the lives of more people like Ashley in the last year and throughout the fall season!

Daniel Buller, Executive Director

## "MY FAMILY IS PROUD OF ME NOW."



Although Robert's parents divorced when he was three years old, he had a good upbringing. He doesn't blame anyone but himself for his alcoholism, which started as recreational drinking.

He tried to get help at different shelters, but something was always missing. He needed a faith-based foundation for lasting recovery.

Robert came to Crossroads and knew it was different. Through our staff's care and compassion, he experienced Christ's love. "Crossroads is the first place I've been to where they love the Lord," he says. "They're family and every time you fall off the wagon, they'll hug you like you never left."

He is grateful for the Mission's unconditional support to help him heal. "Now, I've given myself to the Lord. I'm getting my life and family back, and my own place for the first time."

**SEPTEMBER SPOTLIGHT: HUNGER ACTION MONTH**

**18,666**  
Meals and Care Needed by Sept. 30!

**September is Hunger Action Month!** Join our community in this month-long movement to fight hunger... and TAKE ACTION to help even more hungry neighbors we'll welcome and care for this fall.

- Sign up to serve a meal
- Donate canned goods
- Provide groceries
- Invite others to join you

**For just \$2.17, YOU can provide a nourishing meal and care to end someone's hunger.** Send your gift today OR online at [crossroadsmission.com](http://crossroadsmission.com).

Scan to take action now!

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## "I'm thankful to the Mission for showing me my potential."

Once the high school homecoming queen and cheer captain, Ashley never thought she'd hit rock bottom. She was raised by her mom and grandmother and had a happy childhood.

But her happy world came crumbling down as an adult. An unhealthy marriage left her heartbroken... she turned to alcohol to cope with the pain and developed a destructive addiction.

After her divorce, she replaced alcohol with other substances. This led to bad choices that got her arrested and she lost custody of her kids.

But while in prison, her relationship with God grew stronger. When she was released, Ashley came to Crossroads because she knew the faith-based program could provide the structure she needed to continue deepening her faith.

Now, she has found healing through devotions and being around positive people who share her faith. "I prayed a lot when I was in prison, and I really feel like I was supposed to come here," she says.

She is grateful to Crossroads for providing basic necessities and resources to help her budget and save money. She also appreciates the emotional support from staff. Before coming to the Mission, she was very unsure about her future.

## "THE MISSION STAFF REALLY INVEST THEIR TIME GETTING TO KNOW YOU AND GIVE THEIR ADVICE."

Ashley once limited herself when looking to the future, but thanks to encouragement from staff, she is learning to aim higher and pursue associate and bachelor's degrees. "They tell me, 'Don't sell yourself short. You have more to offer.'" She also plans to get her driver's license again and get a car so she can visit and rebuild her relationship with her kids.

**Your gifts are bearing fruit in the lives of people like Ashley. Now, her heart is full of hope this fall... thanks to your kindness!** "After coming to the Mission, I know God's in control and everything's going to be OK."



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