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# TRANSFORMATIONS

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## Reno's future is **bright** this **Easter!**

Thank you for  
sharing hope in his  
darkest time.



**Don't miss...**

**2** A season of possibility

**3** "I never knew love  
until WRM."

**4** Time for Spring Cleaning

restoring hope, transforming lives



A Message from Brad Hopkins

# A SEASON OF Possibility...

A lot changes this time of year. We're moving into a new season. Days are getting longer, and new life is springing up around us. It's a reminder that even in darkness, beauty and hope are just around the corner.

The Easter season is also a reminder of Christ's sacrifice... and the hope for new life and renewal.

Renewal is happening inside Wyoming Rescue Mission as well – in the lives of the men and women who come to us in their darkest hour. Each person who walks through our doors is a story of resilience and possibility, like Reno, whose story you can read on page 3.

Through the support of friends like you, these men and women can rise above their circumstances and rebuild their lives. Because our recovery program is more than meals, safe shelter and care. It's about finding faith that a new life is possible.

**Thank you for empowering our guests along their journey from darkness to light...** from despair to hope. Your generosity gives them the tools they need to move from the shadows of homelessness or addiction, into the light of stability and hope.

Thank you,

Brad Hopkins  
Executive Director



## How YOU Helped

Thank you for your impact in 2025! Friends like you joined together to change lives...



**85,032**  
meals served



**58,000**  
nights of shelter  
provided



**11,739** hours  
volunteered by  
people like YOU!

Thank you for caring for our hurting guests last year.

Now, let's make 2026 a year of hope for even more people in our community!

## This Easter... **EVERY MEAL MATTERS**

Just \$2.58 for a meal & hope for a new life!

Each meal served with love at WRM is so much more than a plate of food. It can also open the door to life-changing services like safe shelter, Christ-centered care and healing in our Discipleship Recovery Program!

**For just \$2.58 each, you can provide a hot, nourishing Easter meal** to someone in need... and share hope for a new life in Christ.

✉ Give now using the enclosed reply card and envelope.

✦ Give online anytime at [wyomission.org](http://wyomission.org).





“I never knew love until I walked in WRM’s doors.”

When Reno was nine, his oldest brother died by suicide. “He was my protector and took me under his wing,” Reno says. “My brother was the one who protected me from my abusive father.” Sadly, the tragedy and abuse that continued without his brother’s protection impacted Reno deeply.

By age 13, his parents had divorced and Reno started turning to alcohol. “Alcohol was everywhere all the time,” he says, both at his mom and stepdad’s house and at his father’s house on the weekends. “My father was always at the bar with his friends, and I was always out with my friends partying.”

Reno tried secular rehab after his daughter’s birth but knew he would keep drinking. The turning point didn’t come until years later, when

“*I realized that God brought me here. I felt God saying, ‘I’ve got more for you.’*”

he quit his long-term construction job and his drinking escalated.

He drank to numb the pain of his past and found himself thinking about suicide constantly. Thankfully, a friend took him to the hospital, which guided him to our doors at Wyoming Rescue Mission.

After spending several weeks detoxing, Reno joined our Discipleship Recovery Program. He found God, a supportive community and tools to help rebuild his life. **“I was broken but they brought me in, and gave me a hand up, not a handout,”** he says. “They gave me faith in myself. I’m grateful that they believed in me and saw in me what I couldn’t see yet.”

Now Reno has faith, hope and a willingness to apply himself to God’s work. He wants to give back and make a difference in the lives of others going through addiction and recovery.

**This Easter, Reno has a new direction for his life. Thank you for lighting the path forward for him to experience a future of hope and peace!** “You helped save my life and I can never repay that.”



**May we shine the light of Christ.**

*“In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.” — John 1:4–5*

# GIVE MONTHLY. SAVE LIVES!

You can be the difference our community needs! When you become a Monthly Giving Program partner, you give hurting guests the life-changing care they need! Your support provides stability and a path toward lasting recovery.



Start giving monthly now!  
Or visit [wyomission.org/NewLife](http://wyomission.org/NewLife)

BECOME A MONTHLY PARTNER... AND  
TRANSFORM LIVES **ALL YEAR!**

## Spring Cleaning



### Clean your closets and help those in need!

As you declutter and refresh your home for spring, you can also help people in need.



#### Donate gently-used items.

We take clothing, furniture, household items, tools, toys and bikes. Your donations support our ministry's programs and provide clothing for our homeless guests.



#### Shop at our Thrift Store.

Are you looking to refresh your home and closet for warmer weather? Check out Rescued Treasures Thrift Store! You'll find treasures at bargain prices and provide work experience for guests in our recovery program.

Drop off donations and shop at Rescued Treasures East located at 2935 E 2nd St., or Rescued Treasures West located at 5345 CY Ave.

We hope to see you there!

