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almost THERE

- Three years.
- Thousands of hours of volunteer labor, hard work, and dedication.
- $1.8 million raised and invested in the purchase and transformation of our new facility.
- Dozens of incredible partnerships with organizations that share our vision and passion for serving our neighbors.
- And literally thousands of lives touched through Street Reach, RAMP, and the Valley Mission Food Pantry.
- Thousands of hours of prayer for support, program impact & safety.

Now for the exciting news...*We are just $600,000 away from fully funding the entire project!*

This milestone belongs to our community.
While grants have played an important role, they represent only 24% of the total funding we've received. The remaining 76% has come from people just like you—individuals, families, local businesses, churches, community fundraising events such as Idaho Gives, Avenues for Hope, and so many others who believed in this vision.
Many of you have been part of this journey from the very beginning, and "thank you" hardly seems adequate.
Because of your generosity, lives are being saved. People who had lost hope are finding it again. Dreams that seemed beyond repair are being rebuilt. Families are finding stability. Neighbors who have lived in darkness are experiencing compassion, dignity, and a path toward a better future.

Now we're asking our community to help us finish what we've started.
The finish line is in sight, and together we can cross it.
Whether your gift is $25, $250, $2,500, or a leadership investment, every dollar brings us closer to opening a place where people can find shelter, food, hope, and a path to lasting transformation.
Help us close the final $600,000 gap. Together, we can open the doors, change lives for generations to come, and prove once again what is possible when a community comes together with one purpose: ***restoring hope.***

If a man shuts his ears to the cry of the poor, he too will cry out and not be answered.

PROVERBS 21:13

conversations on a BENCH

Conversations On A Bench 2026 - October 8-9

At its core, Conversations on a Bench is simple: for 24 hours, we will sit on a bench and invite our community into meaningful dialogue. Through listening, storytelling, and shared experiences, we help humanize complex issues, elevate stories of transformation, and create opportunities for greater awareness, engagement, and support.

Our first encounter with this event was last year. It delivered much more than we expected. Not only did we have incredible, life challenging conversations, we connected with new folks and new agencies along the way. All with the same goal in mind - bring awareness to the issues of homelessness, addiction and recovery, human trafficking, and more.
In 24 hours last year, we heard from 30 individuals, families, local officials, and partner agencies about how these issues are impacting our community and what we can do to help correct and redirect people. It was one of the most powerful, moving events I have had the honor of being a part of.

And, as a side note, this community helped us raise over $140,000 in that 24 hours!

We are gearing up now for this event and can't wait to see what happens.

We will hear from some of our folks on the streets, some who have found a new home and hope, and other partner agency leaders and staff. If you or someone you know has experience with any of the above mentioned issues, please reach out to me at karl@valleymission.org. We would love to talk about how people can share their story, as well as share ideas on how to help those in need.

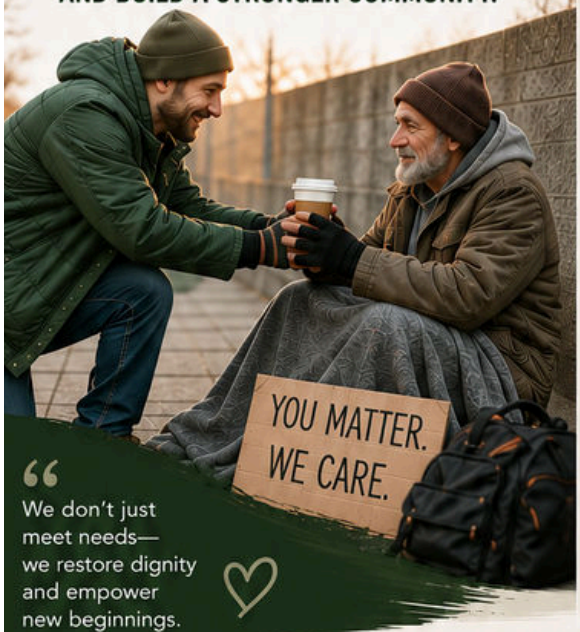
For our business partners, we will also be seeking sponsors who would like some free advertising during this event. Keep watching here for details.

VALLEY MISSION

Your Gift Changes Lives, *Restores Hope.*

You generosity helps Valley Mission provide hope, shelter, meals, and transformational programs to our neighbors in need.

TOGETHER, WE RESTORE LIVES AND BUILD A STRONGER COMMUNITY.



"We don't just meet needs—we restore dignity and empower new beginnings.

DONOR LEVELS

$1 – $99
Neighbor's Gift
Symbolizing the importance of every act of kindness, no matter how small. This is where community begins.

$100 – $999
Foundation Builder
These gifts lay the groundwork that makes our mission possible—quiet strength with a lasting impact.

$1,000 – $9,999
Harvest Partner
A vital supporter sowing seeds of hope in our valley.

$10,000 – $49,999
Hope Builder
Empowering transformation and growth in our community.

$50,000 – $99,999
Compassion Champion
Leading the way in restoring lives with love and dignity.

$100,000+
Legacy Guardian
Creating lasting impact through visionary generosity.
Designing a future of compassion, dignity, and enduring impact.



CHURCH PARTNER

A Church Partner is a congregation that walks alongside Valley Mission in shared faith and purpose.

These churches support our work by offering financial contributions, volunteering time and talents, and including us in their prayer life.

Their partnership strengthens not only our programs but our spirit, reminding us daily that we are part of a larger Body of Christ working together to serve those in need.

GIVE
Financial support makes our work possible.

SERVE
Volunteers share their time and talents.

PRAY
Prayer lifts our mission and those we serve.

VALLEY MISSION

Thank you for being part of this mission.
TOGETHER, WE CHANGE LIVES.

STREET REACH | VM

Truck Triage



We are fortunate to have the ability to bring some key players when we hit the streets. It's not every month that we have them both, but in July we had the joy of having our retired RN and a retired ER doctor join us as we visited folks.

At this particular stop, we found 'Mike' in a lot of pain with a knee that was pretty messed up. One little fall in the outdoors and your world comes to a screeching halt in no time.

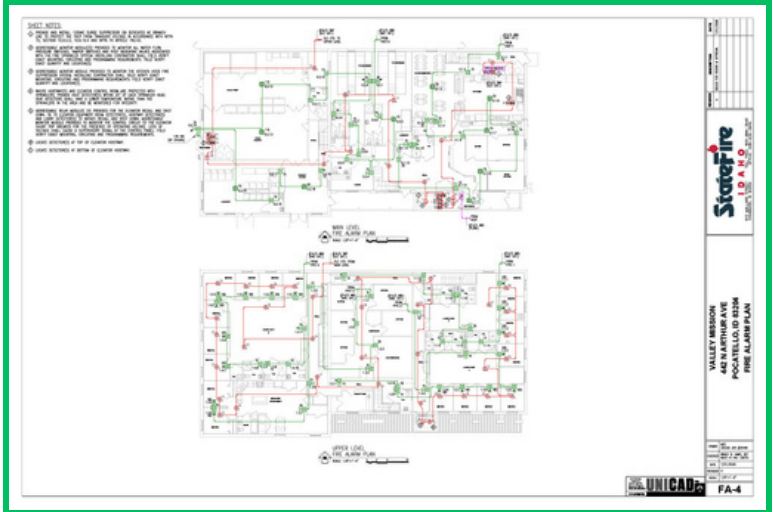
'Mike' had been dealing with this pain for a couple of days and could not find any relief. So the team got him to my truck, and the tailgate became the exam and care room! It was an amazing sight to behold—'Mike' getting the care he needed and the team getting to give of their time, talent, and hearts in service. What you don't see in the photo is what's happening at the other end of the truck. There, one of our team from Access Point/Aid for Friends was working with 'Mike's' girlfriend, getting her back onto the housing list so they can get into safe and stable housing.

This is what Street Reach looks like in a snapshot (no pun intended). A variety of people from partner agencies coming together to meet real needs in real time, right where they are.

And we are just scratching the surface of the people in need. We know that every night there are over 200 people living on the streets, in cars, under bridges, or along the river. And the outlook is not getting any better. Recent rent increases will soon impact those barely getting by, meaning we'll see more on the streets this fall.

Please continue to pray for this team as we try to reach as many as we can.

Fire Alarm Plans



Construction Update & Pantry Bites...

PLANS ARE IN!!

The fire alarm system plans are in the hands of the city for approval! FINALLY!
Now the waiting game for this piece and then we'll be on our way with installtion.

In case you haven't seen the prototype for the window, drive by the alley side and look up! This will give you a good idea of what the rest of the building will have around it once we are ready to install the remaining 22 windows.

The kitchen hood has been engineered and is waiting on some final plans in order to get the install planned and moving forward. VERY exciting to see this come together.

For those prayer warriors, keep praying for this all to come together quickly and safely!

Food Pantry Bites

Partners In Caring

Fred Meyer

Each week our team goes to 12 different stores to collect donated food and household items. Some weeks it's not a lot. Other weeks it feels like we won the lottery.!

As we've been working with Fred Meyer, we've seen the mix of items change from a few items to much, much more. The backroom team at the store sees the value in what we get to do and is working each week to add to the mix of donations. Occasionally, they will call during the week to see if we can come and collect items that they know we can use. So appreciative of their willingness to give above and beyond every week!

THANK YOU FRED MEYER!



"*Nothing liberates our greatness like the desire to help, the desire to serve.*"

Marianne Williamson

We all encounter people in our lives who treat us with such kindness and respect that we feel like they are part of our family. It just feels good!

Our volunteer of the month is just such a person. She sees each guest as such, often treating them like they were part of her own family. Her kindness toward them, the way she makes them feel like they are the only ones in the room at that moment - it all comes together to give that guest an amazing experience. And she has a great sense of humor as well!

Thank you, Kathleen, for bringing your beautiful heart and kindness to our guests every week!

THANK YOU, KATHLEEN!

Food Pantry Opportunities

There are a few ways to serve:

Wednesdays, 8 am - 11:30 am
Food is delivered from our 14 stores as well as from the Idaho Foodbank. Unloading, sorting, organizing and building food boxes takes place on this day.

Thursdays, 10 am to 11 am
Additional food deliveries from some of the same stores. Unloading, sorting and organizing takes place here.

Thursdays, 3:30 to 6 pm
Food is distributed to the community. Most 'jobs' deal with serving the guest as well as carrying boxes to their vehicles.

A generous man will himself be blessed, for he shares his food with the poor.

PROVERBS 22:9