

Sharing Hope

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FROM DESPERATION | TO | HOPE

Darryll's drug and alcohol abuse destroyed his family,
cost him his job, and tore his life apart...

THROUGH YOUR SUPPORT, you share new hope with people like Darryll ▶



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A Message from Ken Craft

SHARING HOPE STARTS HERE

What does it look like to share hope?

Compared to a plate of nourishing food or a warm blanket, it's often hard to visualize how hope changes lives.

But for the homeless and hurting people you're helping through your gifts, hope is transforming their lives in very tangible ways.

Take Darryll, who's featured in this issue – at his lowest point, he turned to us. He didn't know if a new life was even possible.

Meals, shelter and care changed Darryll's life from the inside out. Experiencing God's love showed him that a new life is possible. He began believing in a better future – and began living that life every day!

**When you see Darryll today,
you see hope... made real in his
life through your generosity.**

This Easter, you share the hope of a new beginning with men and women through your prayers, your acts of service and your generous financial support of this ministry.

Thank you for sharing with our community's homeless – and for making Hope of the Valley Rescue Mission a refuge of encouragement and hope for everyone in need.



Ken Craft
Ken Craft,
President/CEO

THIS IS LANCE.



You'd never guess that he once believed all hope for his life was gone... until he came to the Mission.

There are so many like Lance – in need of new hope for a new life.

**You can share new hope this Easter
by sharing meals, shelter and God's
love with homeless and hungry people.**

A meal is just \$2.05!

📄 Share online at hopeofthevalley.org.

✉ Share now using the enclosed reply card + envelope.

THANK YOU FOR SHARING NEW HOPE WITH HURTING PEOPLE
IN THE GREATER LOS ANGELES AREA!



MY LIFE WAS SHATTERED.

“Addiction comes when you’re not seeing it and it’ll run you down like a monster,” Darryll says.

He should know. He had a wonderful family, a lucrative job, and a lovely home, but partying with his co-workers set him in the path of that monster. “We thought we were just having fun, but it went to another level for me,” Darryll says. **“It started out slow, but my drinking and drug use progressed.”**

Eventually, his addiction took over his life. “I lost my family, my job, everything,” he says. “My life was shattered. I finally hit rock bottom.”

It was then Darryll decided to come to Hope of the Valley Rescue Mission and enter our House of Hope

Recovery Program. “It was so nice to be around people that understood,” Darryll says.

Darryll’s faith had waned in recent years, but through the program’s Bible studies and spiritual mentoring, he reestablished his relationship with the Lord. “I’d given

“THEY MADE ME FEEL LIKE A HUMAN BEING AGAIN.”

up,” he says. **“Hope of the Valley changed my way of thinking and brought me back to Him.”**

Darryll has also attended relapse prevention classes, which have helped him stay clean and sober for more than a year. “A psychiatrist comes

in and speaks about triggers in our minds that make us slip and fall,” he says. “Now I don’t have a thought about doing anything negative.”

Darryll plans to graduate from the program and go back to work as an aircraft mechanic. “When I came here, I didn’t care about working,”

he says. “Now I want to go back. Hope of the Valley gave me a new outlook.”

Darryll credits the Mission with changing the course of his life. **“They put their hearts into helping people,”** he says. “I’m living proof that they’re making people’s lives better. My whole life is going in a new direction.”

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Friday, 12 p.m.
EASTER CELEBRATION

EASTER FOR EVERYONE!

Will you join in and set more places at our table for hungry people this Easter? We need your help!

Just look at our needs this Easter season:

33,333 meals
for men, women & children

And there's no way we can serve them without you!



DONATE FOOD

Please consider hosting a food drive or donating these needed items before **April 10:**

- Ham
- Canned vegetables
- Stuffing
- Mashed potatoes
- Eggs
- Milk
- Orange juice/fruit juice
- Coffee
- Creamer

*Drop off donations at the Mission,
11134 Sepulveda Blvd. in Mission
Hills. Thank you!*



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You can help from now until Easter Sunday. Contact Laurie.

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33,333
meals



10,000
nights of shelter

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