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HOPE OF THE VALLEY
RESCUE MISSION

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Providing Life-Essential Services to Those in Need



**GRATEFUL
THROUGH IT ALL:**
Destiny
is especially
thankful for YOU!
Your compassion &
support change lives.



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“Coming here has TURNED OUR LIVES AROUND.”

Every time Destiny saw her father hit her mother, it broke her heart. “My parents were married for 13 years and there was always violence,” she says. “I told myself I’d never live like that.”

When she grew up, she fell in love with a seemingly kind and loving man. “I thought he could do no wrong,” she says. “But he became abusive, so I ended up in the same situation as my mom.”

Destiny began numbing her pain with drugs. It was the beginning of a struggle with addiction that cost her custody of her children and left her homeless, living in her boyfriend’s car, struggling to survive. “I was in a dark hole,” she says. “I lost myself and I lost all hope.”

Then Destiny discovered she was pregnant and her love for her unborn child drove her to change her life. She stopped using and asked God to show her the way off the streets. He led her to L.A. Family Housing, who referred

her to our Casa de Vida. “They gave me somewhere to call home where I could get my life together,” she says.

Destiny gave birth to a beautiful baby girl and is completing the domestic violence prevention, parenting and 12-step classes necessary to regain custody of her other children. She’s also found a job and is saving money for an apartment where she can create a happy home for her family. “I’ve made so much progress that my social worker is already recommending I get my kids back,” she says. “Coming here has turned our lives around.”

As Destiny celebrates this Thanksgiving, she feels incredibly thankful for your compassion and support – and how it’s given her family a fresh start in life. “I asked God to give me hope and He brought me to Hope of the Valley. They provided everything I need to give my family a new beginning.”



The Hope of the Valley Rescue Mission Thrift Stores house hidden treasures and great bargains, like gently used clothing, furniture, household items, tools, toys and bikes.

Your donations – and your purchases – not only raise money to support our life-changing programs, but also provide work experience for guests in our recovery program and affordable essentials for our neighbors in need.

Shop at our Thrift Stores in Granada Hills, Santa Clarita, Simi Valley, Palmdale and Lancaster. For addresses and shopping hours, go to hopeofthevalley.org/thrift-stores/.

Schedule a donation pickup by filling out an Online Donation Form at hopeofthevalley.org/thrift-stores/.

Or call ☎ (818) 392-0020.

Thank you!

“
THEY MADE ME FEEL
WELCOME, LOVED
AND SAFE.
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GIVING THANKS FOR ALL GOD'S BLESSINGS

It might surprise you that in another year filled with hardships and uncertainty, the overwhelming messages I hear are ones of gratitude and hope.

Despite the challenges we still face as a community – or perhaps because of them – we remain connected to each other in a spirit of love and generosity. ***Your care and compassion have never been more evident here at Hope of the Valley Rescue Mission than right now, as we prepare for the Thanksgiving season.***

You have stepped up to help our hurting neighbors as God has called us to do. Provided nourishing meals. Safe shelter. Transitional housing and life-restoring assistance through our Tiny Home Villages. More than that, you've prayed for our ministry and guests. Encouraged others to join our mission to transform lives. Your love has made it possible for hearts to be restored and lives rebuilt. Now that's something to celebrate!

As we count our blessings this Thanksgiving, you and other faithful friends are at the top of my list. As you enjoy the holiday season with your loved ones, both near and far away, I pray God will fill your heart with joy, peace and the comfort of knowing that lives have been changed thanks to your kindness.

I am grateful for you... today and every day. God bless!



Ken Craft
Founder and CEO

2021 THANKSGIVING CAMPAIGN

It's been another challenging year for so many of our neighbors...

245,000

Meals Needed by Thanksgiving

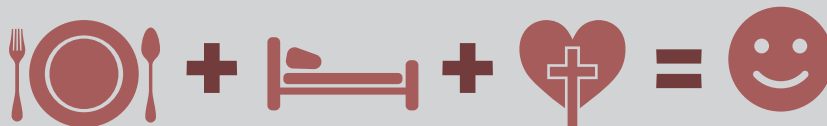
Many of our neighbors are still struggling... trying to get back on their feet... trying not to lose hope. Today, YOU can help them!

For just \$2.05, you can provide a nourishing meal for a hungry neighbor this Thanksgiving season. And that meal opens the door to so much more...

- Safe, welcoming shelter
- Warm clothing, coats & shoes
- Transitional housing and life-changing resources in our Tiny Home Villages
- A chance to experience God's love that changes lives



YOUR GIFT WILL MAKE AN IMPACT!



Please – help us be ready to serve thousands of meals to our homeless and hurting neighbors during the busy holiday season!

Rush your 2021 Thanksgiving Campaign gift today.

✉ Give now using the enclosed reply card and envelope.

💻 Give online anytime at hopeofthevalley.org.

**READ DESTINY'S STORY
TO LEARN MORE!**



The Great Thanksgiving Banquet

For thousands of our hurting and homeless neighbors, the Thanksgiving holiday is nothing more than a reminder of all that's missing from their lives – the warmth of family and friends, a delicious meal and reasons to be grateful.

That's why we've been hosting the Valley's largest Thanksgiving meal for the homeless ever since our inception in 2009. It's our **Great Thanksgiving Banquet!**

This year's event will be held Wednesday, November 24 at our Help Center in Van Nuys, and we plan to serve **1,000+** gourmet meals.

But we need your help to make it a success!

Will you consider becoming a Table Sponsor? Each sponsorship is \$350 and helps ensure we have everything we need to provide our hurting guests with the joy of fellowship, the goodness of a warm meal and a reason to give thanks.

To become a Table Sponsor, please contact Isabel at isabel@hopeofthevalley.org.

Thank you for blessing those in need!



MOVE YOUR FEET SO OTHERS CAN EAT!

We're taking to the streets once again to bring healing and hope to those in need here in Los Angeles. And the need has never been greater!

Join with other compassionate Angelenos Thanksgiving morning for our **6th Annual Drumstick Dash L.A.**

All proceeds from the 5K/10K run will go to support our programs that save and transform lives by providing nutritious meals, safe shelter, transitional housing in our Tiny Home Villages and so much more.

We're anticipating more than 8,000 runners. Each Drumstick Dash participant will receive a shirt, finisher medal, post-race refreshments, live entertainment and the joy of knowing you're helping to change the lives of our hungry, homeless and hurting neighbors.

Give someone in need a reason to be grateful this Thanksgiving!

For more information or to sign up to run, volunteer or be a sponsor, visit

drumstickdashla.com.

Thank you to this year's main sponsor, **Beachbody!**

What:	6th Annual Drumstick Dash
When:	8:30 a.m. (start time), November 25
Where:	11275 Chandler Blvd
Registration:	10K-\$20 • 5K-\$20 • Lil' Gobbler-\$10