

# Sharing Hope

**HOPE OF THE VALLEY**  
RESCUE MISSION

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*Providing Life-Essential Services to Those in Need*

## KELLY IS GRATEFUL & BLESSED THIS THANKSGIVING *because of your support*

You've given her hope and  
new life this holiday!



Our Thanksgiving  
Campaign has begun!

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"We can give our  
daughters a good future."

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Shop at our Thrift  
Stores!

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“Now, we  
can give our  
daughters  
**A GOOD  
FUTURE.”**



**K**elly and her husband wanted to bring their daughters to America so they’d have enough to eat, a safe place to live, free from violence, and opportunities for a self-reliant future. “The situation was hard in Colombia. We knew it would be difficult to start from zero in America, but nothing is easy.”

The day they arrived in Los Angeles, they were left on the streets of Skid Row in the rain, wondering where to turn. “We don’t understand the language and we didn’t know where to go or how to get out of Skid Row, so we walked deeper and deeper in,” Kelly says. “We were scared for our girls.”

Thankfully, kind strangers saw their need and reached out to help. “A man asked us what we were doing there and got us out. And a woman told us where to go for more help – that’s how we found out about the Shepherd’s House.”

Kelly was overjoyed that her family now had a safe place to stay, while she and her husband looked for work and began building their new life. “You can feel the tranquility here,” she says.

Her husband has a job now and their 6-year-old daughter is going to school. “I was anguished because I’d never let her out of my sight before, but she likes it.”



I thank God that we have  
somewhere to sleep and our  
daughters are OK.



Kelly continues looking for work, and her case manager is helping to find housing for Kelly and her family. Kelly dreams of having a place where her daughters can grow up in love and safety and have the opportunities their parents never had. “We want them to lack nothing,” she says.

**Her heart is overflowing with gratitude this Thanksgiving because YOUR loving support gave her family the confidence and support to rebuild their lives.** “The Shepherd’s House is helping us give our daughters stability and a good future.”



# Celebrating Thanksgiving Every Day of the Year



## A Message from KEN CRAFT

**This year at Hope of the Valley Rescue Mission we have much to be thankful for, because of YOU!**

Each day at the Mission, we see people who are thankful for the gift of new life that your support makes possible. You surround lonely guests with a warm welcome. Teach them skills to build brighter futures. Provide shelter for struggling families and individuals – like our newly opened Trebek Center with 107 safe beds in Northridge.

As you may remember, the late Alex Trebek, former host of *Jeopardy!*, provided a generous gift that allowed Hope of the Valley Rescue Mission to purchase an old roller rink and turn it into housing for our struggling neighbors in the San Fernando Valley.

**This fall, we look forward to opening three more**

**facilities that will provide safe shelter and care for women with children in our community – thanks to you!**

We are humbled by the generosity of friends like you who continuously reach out to meet our community's pressing needs. This fall, so many of our neighbors will find renewed hope at the Mission thanks to your kindness and care.

May this Thanksgiving season be a time of celebration as you give thanks for the lives being changed in our community... lives that you have touched through your support!

Ken Craft  
Founder and CEO

## 2022 THANKSGIVING CAMPAIGN

**YOU can give our hurting neighbors reason to celebrate!**

# 245,000

### Meals Needed this Thanksgiving Season

Thanksgiving can be another difficult day for our neighbors struggling to overcome homelessness... poverty... addiction. But you can change that!

**Just \$2.05 provides a hot, nourishing meal.** Your gift welcomes someone to our table and leads to a better life through:



**Safe, welcoming shelter**



**Warm clothing, coats & shoes**



**Classes & job training**



**God's life-changing love**



We need your help to serve thousands of meals this holiday season! **Please rush your 2022 Thanksgiving Campaign gift today using the enclosed reply card and envelope OR online at [hopeofthevalley.org](https://hopeofthevalley.org).**

*Read Kelly's story – a life you helped change!*



## Shop at our Thrift Stores!



Shop or make a donation at one of our Thrift Stores, and you'll be blessing others in so many ways!

Our impoverished neighbors will find well-priced necessities. Our recovery program guests will receive on-the-job training. And Thrift Store proceeds will support our work to save and transform lives.

For addresses and shopping hours of our five locations, or to schedule a donation pick up, go to [hopeofthevalley.org/thrift-stores/](http://hopeofthevalley.org/thrift-stores/) or call ☎ (818) 392-0020.

*Thank you!*

## DONATE YOUR CAR CHANGE A LIFE!

When you donate your used car or other vehicle to Wheels of HOPE, the sale of your donation will help support our programs that provide life-changing care for hurting individuals and families in our community.

Pick up is free and all donations are tax-deductible.

For more information or to donate, contact Shelly Freed ☎ (818) 392-0020, or [info@hopeofthevalley.org](mailto:info@hopeofthevalley.org).



## Leave a Legacy of Blessing

Thank you for your generous spirit. It's reflected in all you do to share your blessings with those in need.

Would you like to continue bringing healing and hope to the broken beyond your lifetime? When you remember Hope of the Valley Rescue

Mission in your will or estate plans, you ensure that your spirit of compassion continues blessing others tomorrow and beyond.

To learn more, please go to [hopeofthevalley.org](http://hopeofthevalley.org) and click on Gift Planning, or contact Gil Mertz at [gil@hopeofthevalley.org](mailto:gil@hopeofthevalley.org).