

You MAKE THE DIFFERENCE

2023 IMPACT REPORT

During these challenging economic times, the women we serve are overcome by their struggles with addiction, life-controlling habits, abusive relationships and past trauma. Many have children and families who are deeply impacted by their circumstances. Your partnership made all the difference and inspired the healing of so many of these women and their children who took the first courageous step toward recovery and a new life at the Mission.

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YOUR *compassion* AT WORK

As the Valley's only faith-based recovery program that allows children to reside with their mother, our Changing Lives Center (CLC) brought holistic healing to women escaping personal crisis and trauma.

Because of your compassionate support, women are given the opportunity to thrive and experience the healing love of Christ through counseling, life skills and career assistance – all with access to trauma-informed childcare programs. Most importantly, your support helps these women believe that in the face of hardship and sorrow, there can be redemption and joy. Our recovery centers continue to be a beacon of hope in

the Valley and are filled with men and women who have committed to the slow, hard work of recovery.

Every day, we witness transformations and breakthroughs that remind us how God is near and working to restore all that was once broken. The average daily census of 125 women and children who lived at the CLC throughout the past year are a testament to this.

All of this and so many of the other God-inspired breakthroughs happening daily at the Mission are possible because of you.

“YOU CHANGED MY LIFE” – *Jocelyn*

“I felt the sting of abandonment since the moment of my birth, when my mother decided she didn't want me. My dad was an abusive alcoholic, and I found out at age 15 that my mother had passed away without ever meeting me. I was angry. How do you not look for your own child? I moved to Oahu and was raised by my grandparents, but the brokenness in my home and my heart led me on a path paved by anger and depression.

I turned toward alcohol and found myself in a series of abusive relationships. I always felt like I wasn't good enough. Then, one of my abusers introduced me to fentanyl and things started unraveling. I realized that I put myself in dangerous situations just to be loved.

I moved to Phoenix and started drinking heavily and checked in and out of rehabs, but nothing would stick. My probation officer told me about the Mission, and although I was doubtful, I mustered up the courage to check it out. I allowed God to soften my heart and for the first time, felt



the freedom to work on myself. In the process, my faith grew and I can say I was healed as I became a part of the Mission's compassionate community. I am proud to say I am now nine months sober and attribute my success to these programs. I am finally working toward my GED and learning how to live in a healthier way. “

“Nothing worked for me before I came here. God has changed me and I feel so much better inside — I just feel free.”

YOUR LOVE WAS *multiplied* IN THE FOLLOWING WAYS:

32

Long-term
recovery program
graduates

125

Daily average
number of women
& children living
on campus

108

Jobs & certifications
obtained by women in
our Vocational
Development Program

15

Families restored
when children
were reunited
with their moms

CHALLENGES, OPPORTUNITIES & WAYS YOU CAN *pray with us:*

1 As we continue to provide trauma-informed care to children that have experienced crisis in their young lives, pray God will bring them healing and joy.

2 Pray for the women in recovery at the CLC to become more dependent on God and less dependent on unhealthy relationships.

3 A critical part of our recovery program is reunification. Please pray for families in the reunification process, that they would learn how to trust each other again.

TRANSFORMING OUR VALLEY, *Together*

We exist to see transformed lives transforming the Valley. This starts with providing Christ-centered solutions that meet the relevant needs of the hurting people in our community with the help of partners like you. **Because of you**, we are seeing lives transformed every day; through counseling, vocational development, reunification of families, program graduations, jobs attained and people coming to know the love and hope of Jesus. What a gift it is to do this ministry of healing and reconciliation alongside faithful friends like you.

Thank you for making a meaningful difference in the lives of men, women and children across the Valley.

