



RESCUE REPORT

Changing Lives in Solano County...

...for a Brighter Tomorrow

A Message from Ron Marlette

Dear Donor Name,

I'm sending you this special edition of *Rescue Report* because right now we're facing a big problem you can help me solve.

First, federal, state and local services are being cut as belts are tightened and budgets are slashed. That means fewer government services for those who really need them – the elderly, those who are homeless and families struggling to make ends meet.

Never, since the Mission was founded, have we seen economic times as tough as they are right now, especially with a nearly 100% increase in the number of people coming to us for help!

Our biggest problem right now is finding the money to provide these services. Food donations are way down – supplies we really count on to make ends meet. And gifts to the Mission have dropped off as much as 50%!

I know we're all feeling the pinch. But in difficult

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"The Sky's the Limit for Me!"

Donnie and his family were "rock bottom homeless" when they came to Mission SOLANO. Donnie's history of petty crimes, drug use and jail time had landed them on the streets and Mission SOLANO was their last resort.


"Not wanting to come here was a combination of pride and me being hard-headed," Donnie admits. "But that ended up being one of the best decisions I ever made in my life!" Donnie's desire to change his life, and that of his family, resulted in his entering our New Life program where he received

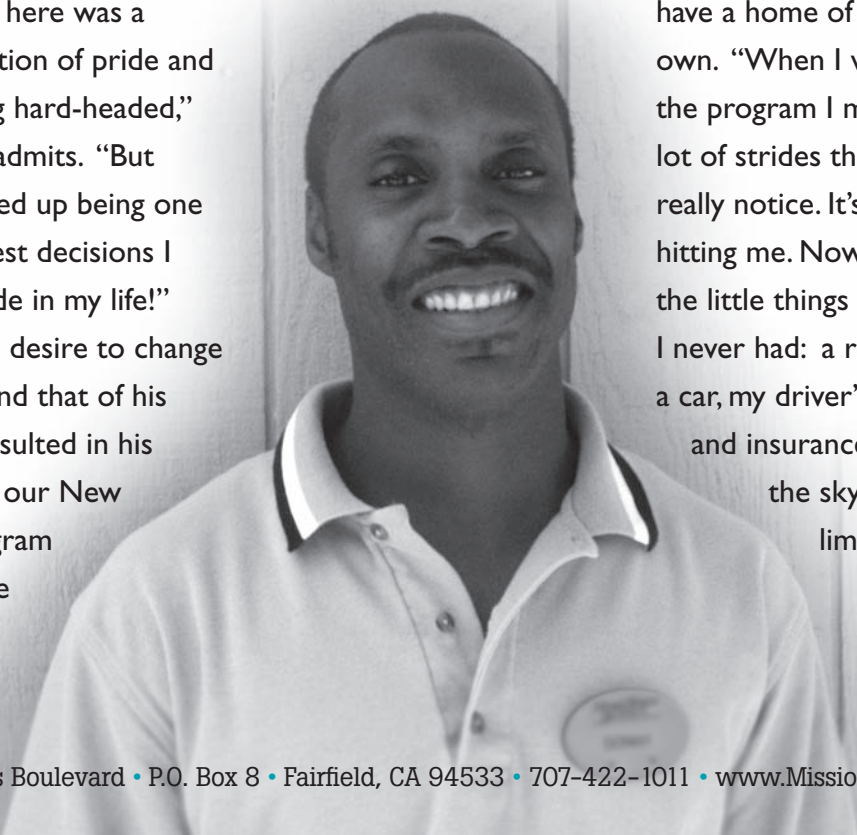
the encouragement and counseling he needed to make major changes in his life.

"I knew I needed help to raise my family."

"The best thing they did for me is encourage

me. I needed help before I was able to go out there and work. That was something I rarely did in my life. I knew I needed structure. I knew I needed to get myself together before I could help raise my family."

Today, Donnie and his wife and three children have a home of their own. "When I was in the program I made a lot of strides that I didn't really notice. It's just now hitting me. Now I have the little things in life that I never had: a regular job, a car, my driver's license and insurance. Today, the sky's the limit!" 



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Ron - Match my gift dollar-for-dollar to provide hope for Solano County's neediest people.

- \$17.90 will double to help with food and care
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times like these we really need to count on each other and our faith in God to see us through.

With special thanks for all you do,

Ron Marlette,
Executive Director

It's Your Mission



As summer approaches many of us get excited about the slower pace. Well, the pace is just starting to pick up around here! We have a summertime full of events and activities that fit just about everybody's interests! We have opportunities to golf, shop, drive a bus, wash cars or volunteer! Please visit our website and see how you can get your family involved this summer. Mission SOLANO loves the partnership we have with our community. Let's continue to grow together. It's your Mission!

Visit our website at www.MissionSolano.org for all the happenings. Check out the Events link and discover what YOUR Mission has for you! 

Hope In Action

For some children in our community, the start of a new school year does not bring the excitement and joy it should. Children fear the first day because they are not equipped with the supplies to be successful. Well here at Mission SOLANO our guests know that HOPE is a verb. Hope means believing without seeing that their needs will be provided.


We would like to invite you to join us to Send Hope Back to School! This event will



warm your heart. Giving a child a backpack full of supplies (and a few surprises) is truly Hope in Action!


There are so many ways to get involved with Send Hope Back to School! Come out to the Mission on August 9, 2008

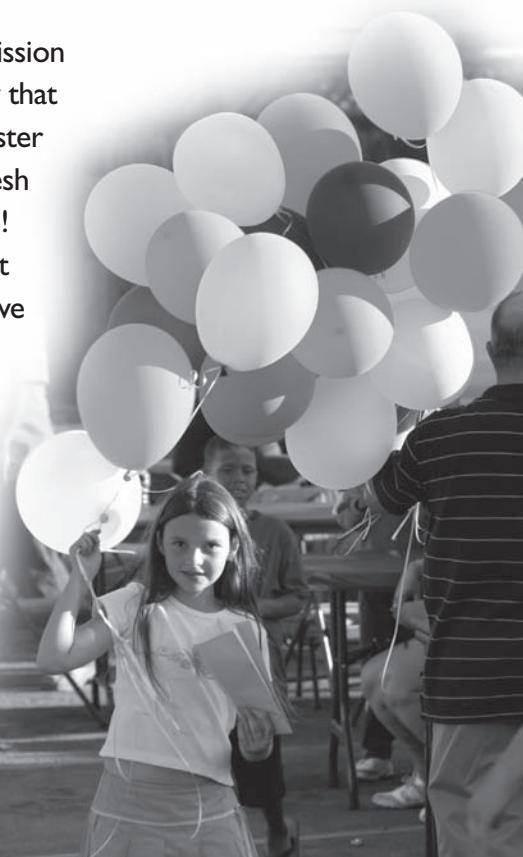
and volunteer at the event! Or visit our website at www.MissionSolano.org, and click on the Send Hope Back to School link! There you will be able to "stuff" a backpack, get all the event day happenings, but most importantly, see Hope in Action! This year there is an exciting addition to this event! Please visit our website for more details!

For more information please contact — Donna Quintero at (707) 399-3801, or email at donna@missionsolano.org 

Hope Begins with Easter

Easter is a time of new beginnings. The sun starts to shine brighter, the trees seem to stand taller, and the air is full of hope. For many Easter has lost its magic. At Mission SOLANO, our goal is to restore the magic! Easter Sunday provided a time to share the HOPE that is Easter. The celebration began with a lunch with all the trimmings. The children enjoyed an Easter egg hunt and an Easter basket full of goodies!

For guests at Mission SOLANO they know that HOPE is a verb. Easter is a time to start fresh and means so much! The most important message of HOPE we shared that day was the love of God in sending his only Son to make the ultimate sacrifice so that we can all experience a fresh start every day! 



Double the Value of Your Gift

For a very limited time, gifts to Mission SOLANO will be matched dollar-for-dollar thanks to a very special gift. That means every \$1 you give will double in value. \$10 will provide \$20 worth of food, shelter and services for Solano County's poorest men, women and children. \$25 will serve more meals and help

more needy people overcome the problems they face and get back on their feet.

Every dollar we receive helps people in need! But this Matching Gift of \$10,000 is doubly important—not only because gifts to the Mission normally drop off during the summer, but because donations

have been down most of the year due to the economy.

Please help us survive the summer and start getting ready for the busy fall season just ahead by mailing your gift today. Or make a secure donation online at — www.MissionSolano.org. Thank you! 