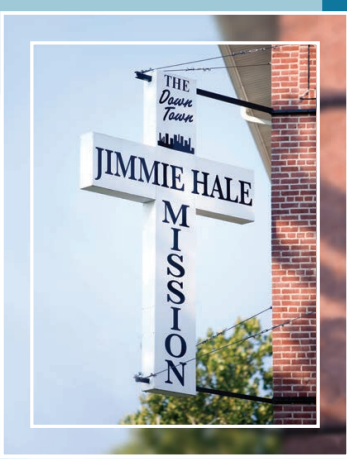


JIMMIE HALE MISSION

Good News



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Warmth on a Cold Night Changed Everything

Life had not been kind to Rochell. After losing both of his parents, and surviving a devastating car accident, he turned to substances to cope. After spending a month in the hospital, Rochell had no job and became homeless. He began sleeping outside rather than living in unsafe places with unsafe people. He had lost his home, his health, and his hope. Homelessness and despair took over. Rochell was tired, broken and beat down.

Rochell was sitting alone and homeless in Linn Park this past winter on a below freezing night when an acquaintance told him about the Jimmie Hale Mission van that was coming by the park to pick up those that needed safe shelter from the bitter cold. That van meant more than just a ride; it meant a hot meal and a safe bed in our Warming Station.

Like all warming station guests, Rochell was greeted with “Hi, I’m glad you are here.” “They fed us and gave us a bed and blanket. It was warm. I felt safe all around.” he related.

At the warming station, for the first time in a long time, Rochell was treated with respect and surrounded by love. In this place, he realized how broken he had become and that he needed to get into God’s will. Rochell was told about the Shepura Men’s Center 16-week program, aptly named *Reclaiming Hope*. He took a step toward hope and entered our recovery program.

In Jimmie Hale’s Program, Rochell found compassion, stability, and resources to help him return to work. More importantly, he found a chance to start again with God’s grace and mercy. Now a graduate of *Reclaiming Hope*, Rochell is in a faith community and working full-time for an electrical contractor. The warmth he found on that one frosty night opened the door to healing and a new life.



The LORD is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit. - Psalm 34:18

Why Warmth Matters

When temperatures fall below freezing, Jimmie Hale Mission’s Warming Station is often the difference between life and death for our neighbors living on the streets. It’s more than a safe place to get warm, it is the first open door to hope.



For many men and women, that hot meal and bed for the night becomes a turning point. One simple act of kindness in a time of crisis can lead to life-changing decisions. Entering recovery, finding faith, and building a future can and do happen. Finding or reconnecting with faith, entering a back-to-life program and building a better future can and do happen from our warming stations.

Every blanket, every warm meal, every night of safe shelter communicates: “You matter. You are not forgotten.” For those most in need, these small acts of care often spark the courage to step into our program and begin a new life.

That’s why warmth matters. It’s not just about surviving the night, it’s much more. Warmth given to body, mind, and soul begins the journey toward transformation.

Through the Eyes of a Volunteer



Serving at the Warming Station is an experience that stays with you. Anthony, a regular Warming Station volunteer says, “As volunteers, we offer warm meals, hand out blankets, and greet each person with kindness. But, what we receive in return is so powerful.”

Our volunteers see tired eyes light up at the sight of a hot plate of food. They hear gratitude whispered for something as simple as a pair of socks. All witness the relief of someone who, for the first time in days, knows they will be safe through the night. It's the simple acts of service that become sparks to help someone change and heal.

Your gift today will provide hot, nutritious food, a warm bed, and HOPE for someone that has nowhere else to turn. Please give today.

SAVE THE DATE!

Friday, October 3

Downtown Men's Center Graduation 10:00 a.m.

Saturday, October 4

Downtown Homewood –
6th Annual Rescue Run

October 8

Jessies Place Graduation 10:00 a.m.

October 9

Royal Pines Graduation 10:00 a.m.

Friday, October 31

Downtown Men's Center Graduation 10:00 a.m.

NEEDS AND NOTES

To care for the men and women who turn to us on freezing nights, we urgently need:

- Twin-sized blankets
- Coats
- Gloves
- Socks
- Knit caps
- Soft breakfast bars

A Note from Perryn

Dear Mission Friends,

When freezing temperatures strike our area, we expand to serve men and women who have nowhere to turn. On bitterly cold nights, what starts with a warm meal and safe place to sleep often becomes the first step toward something greater: healing, recovery, and the beginning of a new life.

At Jimmie Hale Mission, we believe that no one should face the dangers of the freezing cold alone. Thanks to your generosity, our warming station opens its doors wide with compassion, reminding each person that they matter and are not forgotten.

I am continually inspired by our client stories that begin in the Warming Station. Neighbors who were once hopeless found the courage to rebuild their lives because someone cared enough to meet their most urgent need. It is a privilege to stand in the gap and offer immediate relief and a pathway forward.

As the winter months approach again, I invite you to partner with us in this special work. Your gifts provide more than warmth; they provide the spark for change.

With gratitude,

Perryn



Your gift changes lives - Give hope now.

P.S. Last year alone, we provided 4,074 beds and 8,447 meals over 37 nights and 6 round-the-clock warming stations. Donate now to allow us to serve the most vulnerable this winter.

Share the Joy! - Your Brick-By-Brick Christmas Gift form is included.