

## Fact Sheet: 2017 Service Data

## Success by the Numbers

In 2017, the Union Rescue Mission completed its 67th year of service to the homeless and individuals in need in south central Kansas. The Mission's three-fold ministry of overnight shelter, life-transformation and hunger relief reached thousands of men, women and children. These are some of the accomplishments:

- Throughout the year, 95,329 meals were served.
- 2,017 food boxes containing groceries, fresh fruits and vegetables and nutritional information distributed to 478 needy families with 1,673 household members. Another 146 holiday food boxes delivered by the Wichita Police Department during Thanksgiving and Christmas.
- 546 cans of infant formula and 1,143 packages of diapers provided free to families and single mothers.
- Men in recovery programs participated in 8,106 hours of bible study, discipleship training and Christian counseling.
- 42,338 overnight stays in our emergency shelter by homeless men, an average of 116 men per night.
- 221 men committed their lives to Jesus Christ during evening chapel services: 10 men were baptized.
- Trained 17 KitchenPrep students to become food service professionals.
  Placed 3 men in careers as long-haul truck drivers.
- Diverted 622,697 pounds of books from disposal in landfills (NewLeaf Book Mercantile).
- 8,493 individuals, families, churches and businesses provided financial assistance to operate the Mission.
- Volunteers devoted 4,904 hours of service to the Mission.
- 329,356 pounds of donated or rescued food, 12% of which was shared with other soup kitchens, shelters and hunger ministries.

The Union Rescue Mission is a private non-profit 501c(3) organization funded totally by individuals, churches, private businesses, foundations, and civic groups who are led by God to improve the lives of the homeless and poor.