

Restoring Lives in Jesus' Name

**TIFFANY IS SO
GRATEFUL**

you have given her
new life!



LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR!

It starts with a meal for \$1.87!



A Message from BURT ROSEN, CEO

What does it really mean to Love Your Neighbor?

This is one of my favorite verses in Scripture. Love often means spending yourself... giving all you've got and holding nothing back. As a ministry, we spend ourselves on behalf of the poor and the needy here in the Knox area.

Love shows up in the way we respond to people. For us to love our neighbor is to provide for their practical needs, but also their deeper spiritual needs. Love calls us to go the extra mile... and sometimes demands turning the other cheek.

At KARM, we are fulfilling a call to respond to the neediest of the needy. God has raised us up here on the corner of Broadway and Magnolia to do His work, and we wouldn't be able to do it without generous friends like you who give of their time, treasure and talents.

It's hotter outside – meaning people's health is more at risk – and we have a growing crisis on our streets with more men, women and children finding themselves without safe housing. As costs rise for even basic needs, the people we serve are desperate. We are counting on you to help meet our day-to-day needs as our expenses increase this summer.

I thank God every day for our partners in this ministry and for how your prayers and encouragement sustain us. You help us love people and your support makes the work of the Gospel possible.

“And if you spend yourselves in behalf of the hungry and satisfy the needs of the oppressed, then your light will rise in the darkness, and your night will become like the noonday.”

- Isaiah 58:10

THESE “Summer 6” CAN CHANGE LIVES!

What is the “Summer 6”? These essentials are in high demand for our guests this summer... and **YOU can help by donating any – or all – of these items!**

1. Bottled water
2. Sunscreen
3. Bug spray
4. Deodorant
5. Underwear (men/women – new all sizes)
6. Belts

You can deliver your Summer 6 donations to 418 N. Broadway in Knoxville, seven days a week, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thank you for caring for our guests during the summer season!

SHOW OUR NEIGHBORS YOU CARE!

Right here in our community – in our own backyard – many of our neighbors are wondering where they will sleep tonight. Where their next meal will come from. How they will overcome their circumstances.

A nourishing meal at KARM can lead to real life change! Our goal is to raise \$389,000 to provide meals, shelter and life-changing care during the busy summer months. During our 98-day Summer Campaign, your gift will help provide...



75,100 meals



25,700 beds



2,100 unique guests served



2,800 hours of education (Berea)



8 life-transforming decisions for Christ



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98-DAY SUMMER CAMPAIGN

DONATIONS DROP DURING SUMMER... BUT YOU CAN HELP TODAY!

Give now! karm.org



Tiffany found acceptance in the love of her Heavenly Father... thanks to you!

For me, I grew up in a very dysfunctional home... I braced myself for the worst on a daily basis. My mother left when I was young so I grew up with an abusive father who was on drugs. He got me involved in drugs at a young age.

I was always on edge until I left home... then I became homeless for nearly three years. I was hooked on heroin and methamphetamine until I was 27.

I knew I needed to get help or I wouldn't be the mother my 2-year-old daughter, Elizabeth, needed. So I decided to come to KARM with my little girl.

My biggest challenge before coming here was believing that I could rely on others... I had only been in abusive relationships. But here in Serenity, the women are very loving and understanding. They welcomed us with open arms.

Before, I knew about God but I didn't trust Him. At KARM, I accepted that I needed His help and couldn't do this on my own. The classes help renew our minds... now I read my Bible and go to God if I have a problem.

KARM also helps me with transportation to get Elizabeth to daycare, and my Care Coordinator is

helping me get her a social security card to get her ready for preschool. I'm learning how to be a better mom.

Today, I work in the dining room and clean the bathrooms... whatever needs to be done. They are teaching us job skills... to keep our space clean and together. It's making me see I'm good at caring for

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- Tiffany, KARM guest

others and giving me the drive to go forward with my goals. Now I want to get my CNA license so I can go to nursing school.

Before I came here, I was a very selfish person. Now I've learned to love and care for other people. I'm thankful to KARM because they restore families – and they're helping me build a new me!

How can you shop and strengthen our community?

Your support of **KARM Thrift Stores** helps your neighbors who are struggling. **Look at how you help change lives through our stores:**

- You can donate clothes or household items you no longer need. Proceeds from sales help provide services to your neighbors struggling with homelessness.
- Guests in our restoration programs learn on-the-job training and employment skills.
- Our neighbors can shop for the items they need at low prices they can afford.
- All proceeds from KARM Thrift Stores support our life-changing programs and services. **Everyone benefits!**

KARM has 22 Thrift Store locations and we accept donations between 9 a.m. and 6 p.m., so you can drop off items at the store closest to you. Or to schedule a pick-up right from your home, simply visit karm.org/schedule-a-donation/.

Thank you for supporting KARM Stores!



Your monthly gift makes a HUGE impact!

When you set up ongoing support as a monthly giving partner, Knox Area Rescue Ministries can be ready to help anyone who comes through our doors. That's because your partnership provides reliable, steady income to care for our neighbors who are homeless and hurting *all year long*.

For someone like Doris, that generosity transformed her life!

"Before I came here, I was in a deep dark hole and couldn't see a way out. But then I took KARM's culinary arts class and passed the test, and my confidence started building. They gave me a full-time job in their kitchen and I've been here 11 years. KARM gave me a chance when nobody else did... they gave me my life back!"



If the Lord is leading you to become a monthly giving partner, simply visit karm.org/givemonthly or complete the back of the enclosed reply form. Thank you!

MAKE A GIFT TO LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR!

Burt, I want to provide meals, shelter and care this summer through my gift of:

- \$25 \$50
- \$75 \$150
- \$_____ to help as much as possible

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY / STATE / ZIP _____

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Donate now! ☎ (865) 673-6540

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