



## Chaplaincy for the Homeless Annual Report 2020



**The Ecumenical Chaplaincy** for the Homeless, Inc. has finished Year 2020, a year that has been described as “a year like none other.” We began 2020 with 1 chaplain, 3-part time assistant chaplains, a part-time office manager and a grant writer. Prior to our disruption by COVID-19 the Chaplaincy was providing worship services, Bible studies, pastoral counseling and ministry of presence services in 7 locations. At the end of 2020, we had 1 Chaplain, 4-part time assistant chaplains, and a full-time office manager.

#### **CHAPLAINCY STAFF FOR 2020**

- Ron Friesen, Chaplain for the Homeless
- Harold Moore, Assistant Chaplain for Homeless Veterans
- John Humphrey, Assistant Chaplain for Outreach
- Darwin Campbell, Assistant Chaplain for Outreach
- Gina Pollard, Assistant Chaplain for Families and Children
- Carol Ambrose Critcher, Office Manager

#### **CHAPLAINCY IN THE MIDST OF A PANDEMIC**

Who knew on January 1, 2020, that a world-wide pandemic would afflict us? By the middle of March, it became evident that the Chaplaincy would need to adjust to a new reality. On March 16, 2020, several agencies where Chaplaincy staff and volunteers provide ministry closed their doors to all volunteers, not just to the Chaplaincy. This immediately closed our worship services at the St. Vincent de Paul Phoenix Dining Room and Ozanam Manor. Our newly launched ministry at the St. Vincent de Paul Family Dining Room (402 W. Watkins) was also closed to us. Our ministry at the St. Vincent de Paul dining rooms in Sunnyslope and Mesa was also curtailed. God had a different plan for MANA House where staff and volunteers were also prohibited from entering. One of the Chaplaincy volunteer chaplains who had a military background became homeless at the end of March and moved into MANA House, he provided Bible studies and Worship Services.

In 2019, the Chaplaincy had begun a Sunday School ministry at United Methodist Outreach Ministry (UMOM), the largest family shelter in Arizona. Three Sundays a month, staff and volunteers were providing a Sunday School hour to the children. In February 2020, Chaplain Nick Heward began a children's choir with about 20 children at UMOM. Chaplain Nick was very excited about the response and opportunity. Unfortunately, UMOM shuttered its doors to all volunteers on March 16<sup>th</sup>. The doors have not yet been opened ~~up~~ to volunteers at UMOM.

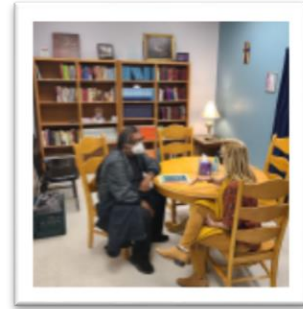
In October, the community was inviting volunteers to return to their facilities. God provided a new assistant chaplain, Darwin Campbell, who felt comfortable taking the ministry into the Sunnyslope and Mesa Dining Rooms. Darwin and volunteers have been providing Bible studies, Christian movies and a ministry of presence there ever since.

In October, Chaplain John Humphrey began making contacts in downtown Glendale where according to the January 2020 Point in Time Count there are at least 70 persons experiencing homelessness. We have received a welcome at First United Methodist Church, St. John's Lutheran Church and Knights of Columbus Hall. Weekly,

Chaplain John Humphrey, Chaplain Darwin Campbell and volunteers reach out and share hope and a future at these locations.

### AT THE END OF 2020, WE CELEBRATE THE ACHIEVEMENT OF

- 59 Worship services attended by 728 worshipers
- 175 Bible Studies and other groups attended by 1,583
- 59 Worship services attended by 728 worshipers
- 7,365 people served through all service offerings
- Over 2,000 hygiene kits distributed
- Over 800 Bibles distributed



### 2021 WE LOOK FORWARD TO REOPENING OUR LOCATIONS AND ADDING SERVICES & LOCATIONS

- Expansion of our family and children ministries at UMOM and other locations where homeless families reside.
- Expansion of our ministry to Homeless Vets
- Additional worship services and Bible Studies at St. Vincent de Paul dining rooms
- Restarting the BFF group (Beyond Fear to Freedom Women's Ministry) at the Human Service Campus
- Adding one or two Recovery Groups (Christian 12-step programs)

We thank you all for your support and concerns and we will keep you posted on our progress. Attached is our financial report and a Chaplaincy Success Story - just one of the many successes we have enjoyed this past year.

On a personal level, I want to thank you for your faithful support for the last three years. My service with the Chaplaincy will end March 31, 2021. I encourage you to support Chaplain Darwin Campbell as he assumes the leadership of the Chaplaincy.

In closing, I would like to share the impact the Chaplaincy has made on one man. Dale, a man in his early 60's, who had been homeless for several months when Chaplain Darwin Campbell met him. Like many on the streets, Dale had fallen on hard times. He was awaiting his disability check. He accepted Darwin's invitation to be a friend and began attending church with Darwin. Through Darwin's assistance, Dale found a place to live. It was the pleasure of the Chaplaincy to help Dale acquire some household and personal items for his new residence during the Giving Tuesday Appeal in December.

In Christ we serve,



Ron Friesen, The Chaplain for the Homeless



## Annual Financial Report 2020

From a financial perspective we have met and exceeded our second-year target. We now must continue our basic marketing plan to enlist Valley Churches to support the Chaplain in the community. We aim to create a bank of churches that will partner with us for this support as well as continue to encourage individual donors who have a heart for the homeless.

We reached over 7,365 homeless people through our efforts in 2020 while conducting 175 Bible Studies and 59 Worship services and doing countless one-on-one ministries (ministry of presence).

We believe the work God does through us is anointed and so we set big goals and with your help we will reach many more!

### The Ecumenical Chaplaincy for the Homeless, Inc.

#### Profit and Loss Comparison

January - December 2020

	Total		
	Jan - Dec 2020	Jan - Dec 2019 (PY)	Change
Income			
Sales			0.00
Donations - Churches	19,013.00	21,174.48	-2,161.48
Donations - In-Kind		247.61	-247.61
Donations - Individuals	72,394.17	145,788.58	-73,394.41
Donations - Institutions	7,538.07	6,153.84	1,384.23
Total Sales	\$ 98,945.24	\$ 173,364.51	-\$ 74,419.27
Total Income	\$ 98,945.24	\$ 173,364.51	-\$ 74,419.27

<b>Gross Profit</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>98,945.24</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>173,364.51</b>	<b>-\$</b>	<b>74,419.27</b>
<b>Expenses</b>						
<b>Advertising &amp; Marketing</b>		2,533.81				2,533.81
<b>Background Checks</b>		45.00				45.00
<b>Bank Charges &amp; Fees</b>		19.99				19.99
<b>Books</b>		2,333.55				2,333.55
<b>Contract labor</b>		4,300.00		100.00		4,200.00
<b>Contribution</b>		50.00				50.00
<b>Dues &amp; Subscriptions</b>		52.50				52.50
<b>Insurance</b>		885.00		858.00		27.00
<b>Legal &amp; Professional Services</b>						0.00
<b>Asst Chaplain Fees</b>		55,555.50		44,074.18		11,481.32
<b>Chaplain Fees</b>		41,640.76		41,000.00		640.76
<b>Total Legal &amp; Professional Services</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>97,196.26</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>85,074.18</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>12,122.08</b>
<b>Meals &amp; Entertainment</b>		1,669.58		3,193.77		-1,524.19
<b>Mileage Reimbursement</b>				691.32		-691.32
<b>Miscellaneous</b>		1,061.37				1,061.37
<b>Office Supplies &amp; Software</b>		2,418.69		4,271.07		-1,852.38
<b>QB Fees</b>		437.20		396.75		40.45
<b>Total Office Supplies &amp; Software</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>2,855.89</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>4,667.82</b>	<b>-\$</b>	<b>1,811.93</b>
<b>Postage</b>		11.00				11.00
<b>Rent &amp; Lease</b>		9,268.91		8,970.00		298.91
<b>Repairs &amp; Maintenance</b>		189.99		283.20		-93.21
<b>Taxes &amp; Licenses</b>				83.00		-83.00
<b>Transportation</b>				1,138.42		-1,138.42
<b>Website Development</b>				120.00		-120.00

Total Expenses	\$	122,472.85	\$	105,179.71	\$	17,293.14
Net Operating Income	-\$	23,527.61	\$	68,184.80	-\$	91,712.41
Net Income	-\$	23,527.61	\$	68,184.80	-\$	91,712.41

**The Ecumenical Chaplaincy for the Homeless**  
**Budget for the Year Ending December 31, 2021**

Budget 2021	
January - December 2021	
	Total
	Jan - Dec 2021
<b>Income</b>	
Donations - Churches	\$41,000.00
Donations - Individuals	\$100,000.00
Donations - Institutions	\$20,000.00
<b>Total Sales</b>	<b>\$ 161,000.00</b>
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$ 161,000.00</b>
<b>Gross Profit</b>	<b>\$ 161,000.00</b>
<b>Expenses</b>	
Background Checks	50.00
Bank Charges & Fees	20.00
Books & Bibles	750.00
Dues & Subscriptions	1,160.00
Internet	\$600.00
Insurance	885.00
Meals & Entertainment	600.00
Mileage Reimbursement	14,400.00
Ministry supplies - Bus Passes	750.00
Miscellaneous	750.00
Office Supplies & Software	5,000.00
Payroll Expense	119,600.00
Payroll Tax Expense	6,200.00
Payroll Fees	1,200.00
Postage	20.00
Rent & Lease	9,268.00
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 161,253.00</b>
<b>Net Operating Income</b>	<b>\$ 253.00</b>

<b>Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 253.00</b>
<b>Notes:</b>	
Gross Payroll, Payroll Tax and Payroll fees are for our Executive Chaplain, 4 Assistant Chaplains, and 1 Office Manager	

---

## Chaplaincy Success Story

Courtesy of Ron's Blog

Rick\* is a 59-year-old veteran of the US Airforce who Chaplain Harold Moore, Assistant Chaplain for Homeless Veterans, met at MANA House - one of the centers of ministry that the Chaplaincy serves. Rick suffers from severe vertigo and either uses his electric wheelchair or hand braces to get around. On or about November 24th, Rick suffered a broken neck (C1 and C2 vertebrae) caused by a door hitting him on the back of the head. While he was being checked out for the extent and nature of his breaks, the doctors discovered Multiple Myeloma. Harold Moore, Jim Guthrie and I have been providing almost daily pastoral visits to Rick to encourage his faith, pray with him and support him. Rick has no living family to support him. His first words to me were, "I am all alone." One of the issues for Rick was his glasses were broken in his accident. Chaplain Jim Guthrie drove to Mesa to the store where Rick's prescription was originally filled to obtain a temporary set of contacts so Rick could see better. I was able to provide reading glasses to Rick so he could read his Bible and other books.

Through the help of his housing navigator at Community Bridges Incorporated (CBI), Rick secured independent housing. The transition to his own apartment required a number of people to step forward to get him set up. My wife, June, and I were able to provide kitchen items to set up housekeeping as well practical items such as toilet paper. With no wheelchair, Rick was unable to go grocery shopping so I took him to Walmart. Chaplain Harold was able to secure a trailer to move Rick's wheelchair to his apartment.

Rick's life is very limited due to his injury so he asked if the chaplaincy could find a television. I contacted several people. Ron Wheat of Cru ministry to veterans was able to secure a television and brought it to Rick's apartment. Rick is excited to be have access to 90 channels! With the aid of his electric wheelchair, Rick has been able to locate a good Bible-believing church close to his apartment and has attended several services there including Christmas Eve service. Rick's story illustrates the role the chaplaincy plays in providing pastoral care, practical ministry and the ability to connect our clients to resources in the community.

\*Name has been changed.

Praise the Lord!

Ronald Friesen © 2020

---

## Chaplaincy for the Homeless

There a place where you are taken  
A place where people are forsaken  
There a life within the city streets  
For those crying out for love

There's a place you can be taken  
Where these souls are not forsaken  
For the weary there is rest  
For those crying out for love

There's a place with room for all  
Come dwell with me's the call  
For here the Lord is found  
For those crying out for love

Its where the homeless are set free  
It's where there's hope that they can see  
There is love so freely given  
For those crying out for love

It's where agape love is found  
It's built on holy ground  
Where there is no condemnation  
For those crying out for love

The Holy Spirit finds a home  
So no one ever feels alone  
It's a place where all are welcome  
To be bathed in light and love

We hope you are pleased with our 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Report (2020). If you would consider our cause which is to reach all the homeless in Maricopa County, please visit our web site and make a donation or mail a contribution to:

*The Chaplaincy for the Homeless*  
*1125 W. Jackson Street*  
*Phoenix, AZ 85007*  
*EIN#82-4180649*  
*602-417-9853*  
[info@azchaplaincyforthehomeless.org](mailto:info@azchaplaincyforthehomeless.org)

Thank you,

*John Thurston*  
*Chairman of the Board*



## **EPILOGUE:**

*2021 ushered in a sea change of activity for The Chaplaincy. Chairman John Thurston completed his three years in office and resigned to return to a member of the Board. Ron Friesen, our founding father (Chaplain for the Homeless) retired after three solid years of building the organization. Chaplain Doug Seide moved from member to Chairman of the Board. Ron Friesen selected Reverend and Chaplain Darwin Campbell to become the new "Executive Chaplain of the Homeless. In the first two months of 2021 The Chaplaincy continues to grow throughout the Maricopa County and beyond (Apache Junction) I am positive you will be inspired by of the results.*

*"For I am not ashamed of the Gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto Salvation to everyone who believes" Romans 1:16*