



How can you help?

- Visit www.thecitymission.org to learn more about our ministries and the work God is doing at Crossroads.
- **Become a volunteer.** We always need individuals with unique skills and experience to serve in a variety of roles.
- **Tell others about The City Mission.** You could be a great connection to vital people and valuable resources.
- **Become a financial partner.** You can contribute online, through mail, with your employer or by joining our monthly Circle of Friends partners.
- **Pray for Crossroads clients** as they find stability, grow in character and gain hope for the future.

The City Mission does not receive any government funding. Operations are supported through private contributions from individuals, companies, groups and foundations.



About The City Mission

The City Mission serves over 11,000 clients annually at three different locations within Greater Cleveland through a variety of programs: overnight shelters and residential transitional programs for homeless men, women and children; spiritual aid for those incarcerated; day, afterschool and evening youth programs; necessities for the poor including clothing and food; and an overnight camp experience for urban youth and families.

History of The City Mission

Starting in 1910 in an abandoned saloon on Superior Avenue, The City Mission has been meeting the needs of the poor and homeless since our doors opened. In the early years, we served sailors and recent immigrants to the U.S. As the population of Cleveland and its needs changed, so did the Mission. In the 1970's, the population of homeless women and children gradually increased. In response, the Mission opened Angeline Christian Home in 1981 with 14 beds. In the early 1990's, the Mission's ministries to homeless men, youth and the poor moved to its current location at E. 55th and Carnegie Avenue. Laura's Home opened in 2003. Angeline closed in 2005 when the homeless women and children's program was consolidated into Laura's Home.

Our Mission Statement

Providing help & hope to all people through the transforming power of God's love.

Our Core Values

Gospel, Transformation, Service,
Diversity, People, Prayer

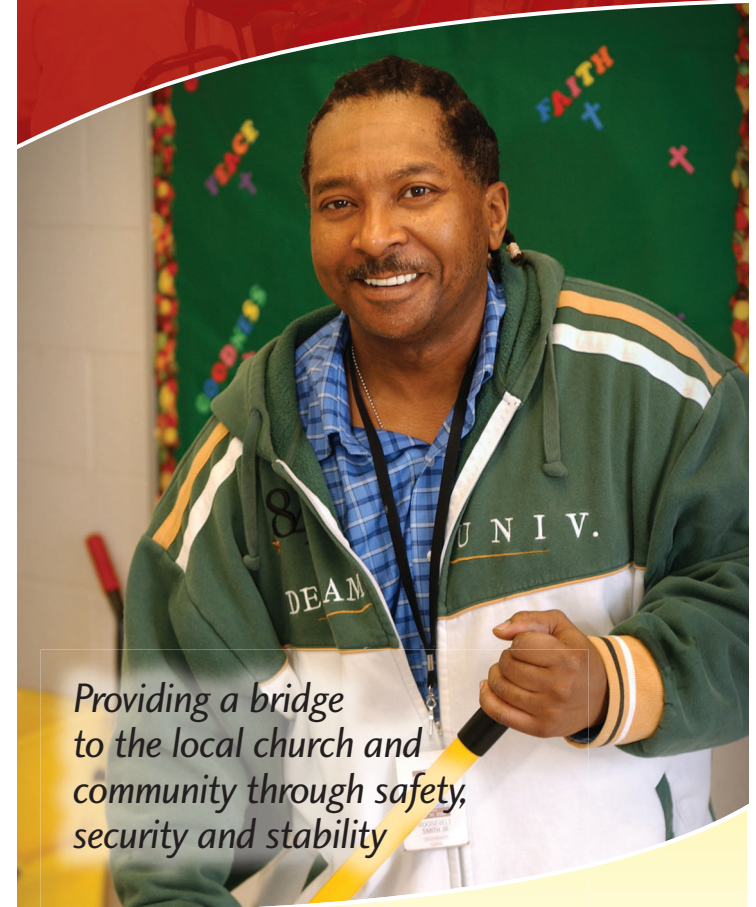


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CROSSROADS

Men's Crisis Center



*Providing a bridge
to the local church and
community through safety,
security and stability*





But we had to celebrate and be glad, because this brother of yours was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found. —Luke 15:32

Traumatic and stressful changes in life — what we at The City Mission call a “crisis” — come in various forms.

Job loss. Relational challenges. Addiction. Physical hardship.

Oftentimes, when men encounter a crisis, the temptation can be to face it alone, accompanied perhaps by alcohol, drugs or another destructive behavior. Other men long for assistance, but aren't sure where it's found.

At The City Mission, we give men in crisis a fighting chance to overcome life's obstacles and contribute to the growth of our society.

Thanks to the gracious generous support of thousands of individuals, local churches, businesses, foundations, and others, Crossroads provides more than **73,000 meals** and **35,000 nights of shelter** each year to men in crisis.

But more importantly, many men move forward with God's help to find lasting change in their lives.

When men come to the Crossroads Men's Crisis Center, we seek to meet them where they are at. Likewise, we offer services based on their immediate and long-term needs.

Our short-term men's program supplies essentials like nutritious meals, personal hygiene items and emergency shelter, free of charge. We also help men begin to cultivate an awareness of faith through daily chapel services (led by community volunteers). For men needing health care, The City Mission provides access to community health services.

Our long-term men's program takes the form of care we offer a step further. Men committed to deep inner change have the opportunity to attend Transformation classes, job-readiness programs, adult education courses and more. Plus, we plug men into the local community through church involvement, community awareness activities and on-site work projects.

Because of both emergency and long-term services, men leave the Crossroads Men's Crisis Center with renewed hope for their future and marketable skills for a successful career. Plus, they carry a deep faith in God as they transition back into their families and the community.

At the Crossroads Men's Crisis Center, we believe in providing men with the necessary tools not only to get out of the situation they currently face, but to undergo life transformation through the redeeming love of God.

We understand that in order to experience lasting change, men need a:

- **Safe place** in which they can address deep-seeded problems and begin to heal from past damage.
- **Secure setting** to take ownership of their future and concentrate on personal, professional and spiritual growth.
- **Stable environment** in which they can begin to implement new, healthy habits into their life.

Truly, when men remain committed to our programs, we see lives changed, not just for a time, but for eternity.

