

DURHAM
RESCUE
MISSION

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PRESSING
FORWARD
2013

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ANNUAL: MENDING
REPORT: SHATTERED
LIVES
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OUR MISSION

Together, through the power of Jesus Christ, we will meet the needs of the whole person – spiritual, educational, emotional, physical, vocational, and social – so that those who are hurting may become fully functional members of society.

OUR CITY

Together, we can revitalize a three-block area in Northeast Central Durham to create an efficient campus to meet current and projected needs of helping the homeless and the hurting in our community for years to come.

OUR VISION

Together, we can strive for everyone in the Triangle to have a home – both on earth and in heaven.

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"I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus."

Philippians 3:14

• Dear Friend,

• 2013 held many milestones for the Durham Rescue Mission as we continued to press onward towards our goal of helping the hurting and homeless! We have seen record-breaking numbers, some nights totaled close to 500 men, women, and children. With this number continually rising we strive to always have enough room for those in need.

• We were so excited to see several expansions completed giving us greatly needed space. In February we held our ribbon cutting ceremony for the Center for Hope. We were so honored to have Governor & Mrs. McCrory and Durham Mayor Bell join us for this special celebration! This multi-purpose building holds 88 beds, a commercial kitchen, and a dining room that seats 250 guests. In November, through the help of a fundraiser from RDU Airport Authority employees, we were able to renovate the men's chapel dormitory with 40 new bunk beds and 40 lockers.

• Not only was there progress at the Durham Rescue Mission, but also in the lives of our graduates! Karen Ramsey, currently employed as a Durham County tax assistant, moved into her own apartment with her son and will soon be purchasing a Habitat home! We are always thrilled to see those who found hope through the Mission still finding hope after leaving.

• We look forward to what lies in store for the Durham Rescue Mission in the future.
• Sincerely,

• *Ernie Mills*

• Dr. Ernie Mills
• CEO & Founder



GlaxoSmithKline Volunteers

COMMUNITY EVENTS

The Durham Rescue Mission hosts four annual events to give back to the community. Each event has the specific purpose of extending opportunities to those who are homeless, the working poor, and at-risk children. They are able to hear the Good News of the love of God, have a good meal, receive clothing, groceries, and have fun playing games and interacting with our staff, residents, and wonderful volunteers!

EASTER

Attendance 1,564
Meals 1,585
Easter Baskets ... 1,052

Clothing 5,000
Groceries 1,340
Volunteers 346



BACK TO SCHOOL

Attendance 4,094
Meals 3,918
Back packs 2,932

Clothing 9,500
Groceries 1,600
Volunteers 626



THANKSGIVING

Attendance 648
Meals 1,035
Clothing 4,000

Groceries 653
Volunteers 523



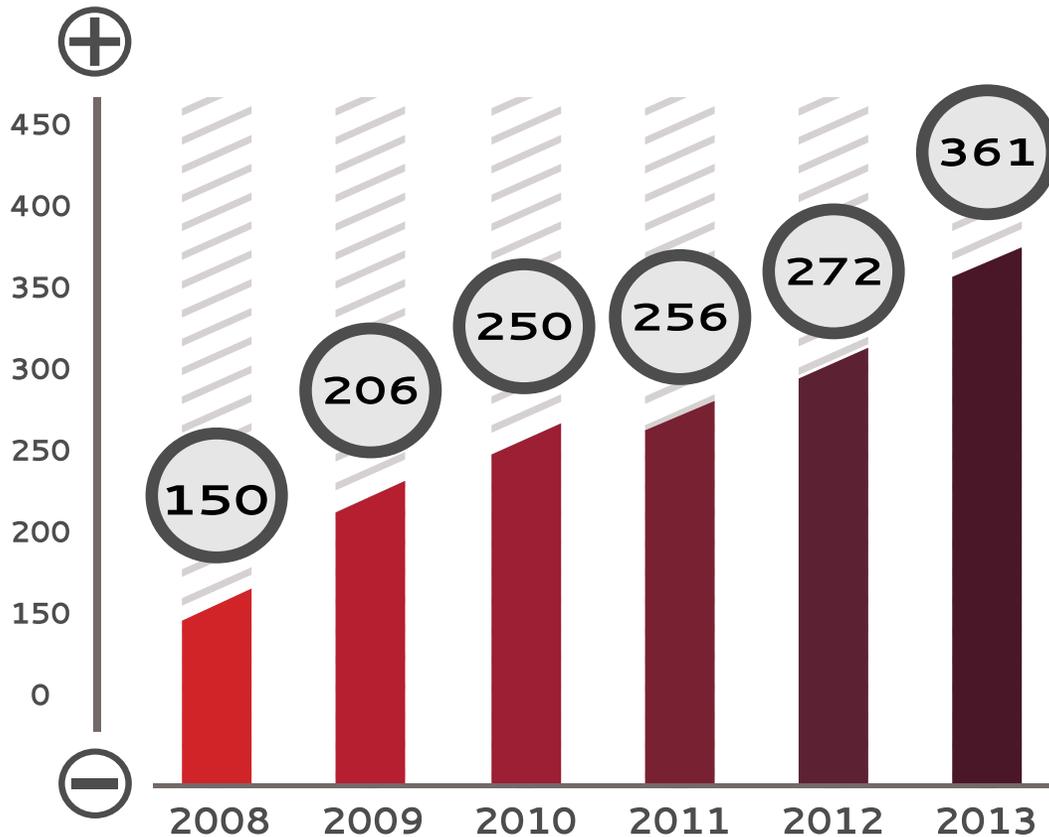
CHRISTMAS

Attendance 2,219
Meals 2,267
Toys 5,597

Clothing 3,723
Groceries 1,570
Volunteers 497



GROWTH STATISTICS



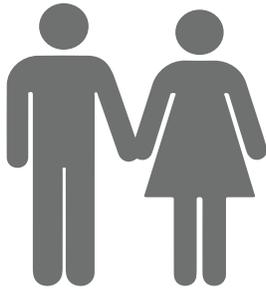
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**INCREASE
IN THE
PAST
6 YEARS**

CLIENT STATISTICS

GENDER

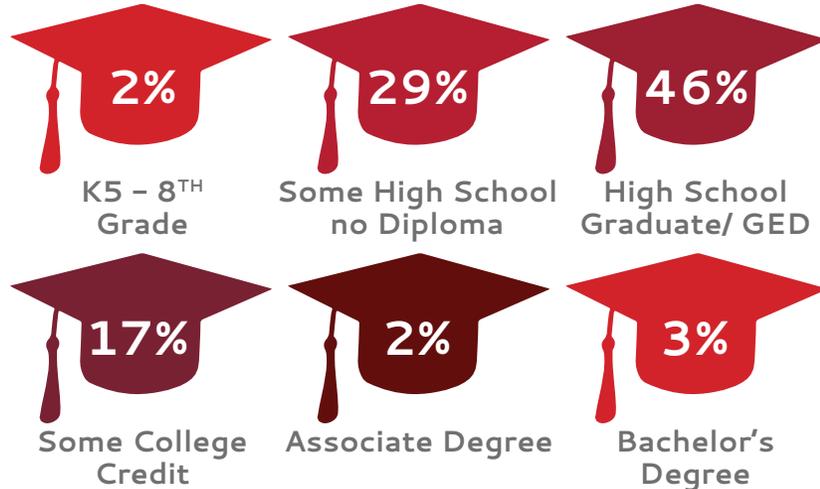
MALE 74% FEMALE 26%



AGE



EDUCATION



INDIVIDUALS & FAMILIES



PHASE II, MEN'S DIVISION

The number of men coming to us for help continues to rise! Our goal is to always have at least one empty bed so when a mother, father, wife, sister, grandmother, or pastor calls and says they have someone in need, we have the space for their loved one or friend.

We are excited our Victory Program continues to grow leaps and bounds with men enrolling in the Bible study and life skills programs. This one year commitment on their part, affords them the opportunity to prepare for the next phase of their new life in Christ.

Our new expansion will include 3 three-story dormitory buildings. Each building will have a kitchen, and a common area. These new buildings will give us enough bedroom and bathroom space for 108 students in our Victory Program.



PARTNERSHIP WITH SAMARITAN HEALTH CENTER



Samaritan Health Center (SHC) exists to share the love of Christ by serving those in need through health care. SHC opened its first clinic – providing medical, dental, and eye care—at the Durham Rescue Mission in February **2009**. SHC is a caring group of volunteer health professionals, bringing together the resources of area churches, to meet the health care needs of the uninsured and under insured in the name of Jesus Christ. **SHC** seeks to help eliminate Durham’s health disparities as it provides accessible, holistic health care by focusing on the physical as well as the social, emotional, and spiritual needs of patients.

In **2013**, **SHC offered 2,156** patient visits including first time and repeat patients to residents of the Durham **Rescue** Mission and members of the broader Durham community.

SHC has initially served residents and former residents of the Durham Rescue Mission who lack a stable source of primary medical or dental care, or who have inadequate health insurance. **SHC** added another Garrett Rd. location to help other under served community members as needs become apparent and the resources become available.

ANNUAL STATISTICS



Meals Served
408,132



Safe Overnights
133,109



Articles of Clothing
48,552



Vocational Training Hours
741,607

Hours of Counseling
19,016



Average Residents Served per Month
365



Phase 1 Victory Students Average per Month: 94

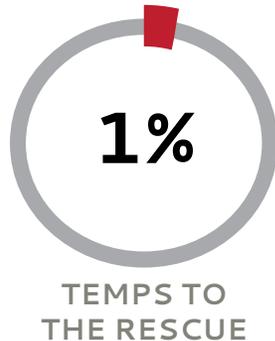
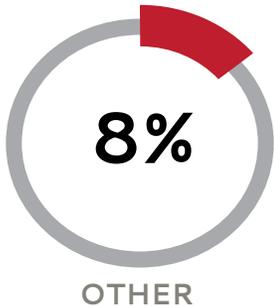
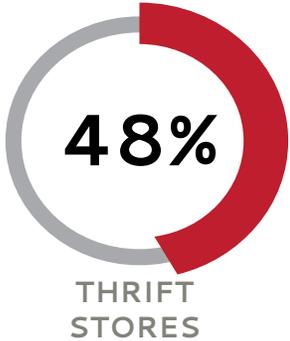


Average Veterans Served per Month: 54

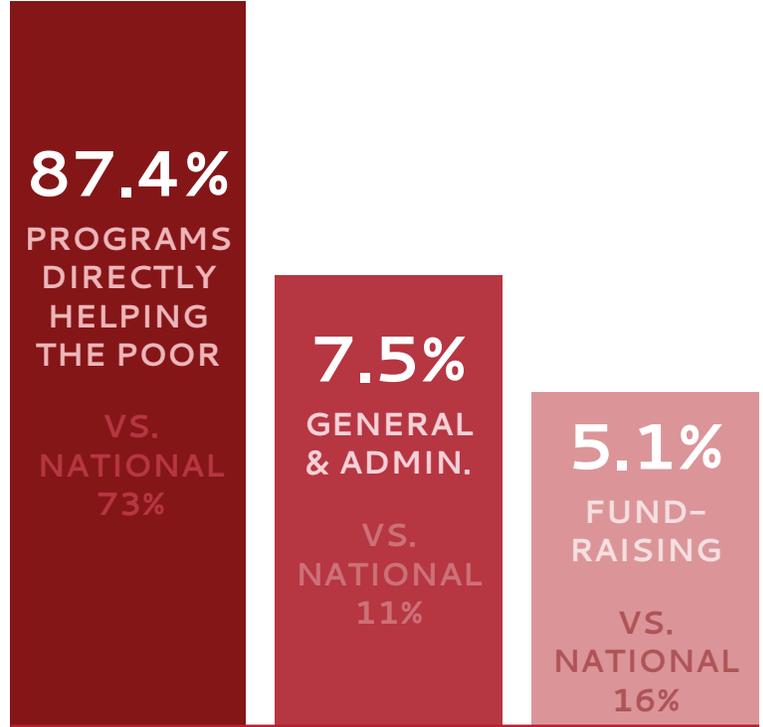


FINANCIAL STATISTICS

WHERE DOES OUR SUPPORT COME FROM?



WHERE DOES YOUR SUPPORT GO?





Melvin Wrenn's Testimony

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Before I came to the Durham Rescue Mission my life was spiraling downward out of control. I was deep in an alcohol and drug addiction that had been progressing for 35 years. I had tried several drug treatment programs, rehabs and going to church to try and fix myself and break away from the addictions. I was somewhat successful for short periods of time but I felt as though I was hanging on for dear life, never finding an answer or any real freedom or joy. When I was clean I was miserable.

When I went to jail for DWI's and drug possession I knew that God was going to be instrumental in getting me clean, I just didn't know how. I had a desire to learn more about the Bible after I read almost all of the Scriptures while serving four months in jail; I did not fully understand what I read nor was I able to apply it to my life, on my own. I had heard of the Victory Program at the Durham Rescue Mission from a cell mate. I decided that was what I wanted, to join the Victory Program.

When I arrived at the Durham Rescue Mission and enrolled in the Victory Program, I soon learned that drugs and alcohol were symptoms growing out of the root of my problem and the root of my problem was sin. Once I knew what the problem was, I finally found

• the answer in Jesus. The freedom that I was searching
• for was so beautifully spoken of by Jesus when He
• said, "Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy
• laden and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you,
• and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and
• ye shall find rest unto your souls. For my yoke is easy,
• and my burden is light." Through learning of Jesus and
• giving my problems to Him, I felt as though my burden
• was lifted and the chains that I had been bound by had
• been broken.

• I now work as an Apprentice Counselor for the
• Durham Rescue Mission and my misery has turned
• to joy. I look forward to going to work each day as a
• Counselor. I have a beautiful daughter-in-law that
• has completed the Victory Program. She is gainfully
• employed and growing spiritually each day. I also have
• a precious grandson here at the mission that is going
• to church with his mom and being reared in a Christian
• atmosphere.

• My goal is to become a staff member at the Durham
• Rescue Mission as a biblical counselor and to help
• others who are struggling as I did to find the answer,
• Our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. - **Melvin Wrenn**

Liz Wrenn's Testimony

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Before coming to the Durham Rescue Mission, I was living a very selfish lifestyle. I grew up in a Christian home and was saved at the age of 15. I was active in my church youth group and graduated from Christian school, but at the age of 18 I turned my back on everything I believed in and began experimenting with drugs and alcohol.

On October 18, 2007, I started dating Jason, who is now my husband. It wasn't long after we met that we began using drugs together.

During this time, I found out that I was pregnant, and on March 10, 2011 our son was born. Having Ian changed me. I wanted to be the best mother that I could possibly be and raise him in a Christian home, but I began to use again.

Jason had been talking to me about the Durham Rescue Mission. He said that his dad, Melvin, had been there for a while and graduated the program. He thought that it would be a great beginning for us to make a change, but I wasn't ready to take that step. I continued to live a selfish and reckless life. But during this time, I started thinking about the big picture of what my life was going to be if I continued to live the way I had chosen. I didn't want to lose my son, but I knew that it

- was a possibility. I didn't want to overdose, but I knew
- that was possible too. So I talked to Jason and we
- decided to take a leap of faith and go to the Mission.

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- On the morning of January 2, 2012, we packed for
- the move, but God had other plans for Jason. He was
- taken into Custody and sent to jail. But despite all of
- that I still came to the Mission. I walked through the
- doors of the Good Samaritan Inn with 2 bags, a diaper
- bag, and a 10-month-old son. I didn't know what to
- expect and I was scared, but nonetheless, I wanted to
- change. I began reading my Bible again and restoring
- my relationship with God. On February 1, 2012 I
- started the Victory Program. It became real to me then
- that God was not done with me yet. Despite all that I
- had done, turning my back on Him and trying to take
- over my own life, He still had a plan for me.

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- After spending the 6 months in jail, Jason finally began
- his journey here too. On July 23, 2012, we were
- married.

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- Today I have graduated from the Victory Program and
- I'm employed at Costco in Durham as a deli associate.
- I thank God every single day for what he has done for
- me. My life has been transformed in a miraculous way.

- **- Liz Wrenn**

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