

Turning Point

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A Mother Needs A Break

Recently, a couple, who are members of St. Luke's, met with the staff to discuss possible needs they might assist with. Immediately, the staff stated that day care was a major issue for the women coming to Crossroads. Those mothers had to 'tow' their toddlers to job interviews, other service providers and even to medical appointments.

The same couple started a conversation around that critical need. Today we are so glad to report that St. Luke's has initiated a 'mother's morning out'. This is a first class program with tutoring, food from Clyde's Kitchen, activity time for the children and, most importantly, love that has no boundaries.

All at Crossroads are so thankful for the partnership with St. Luke's!!!

Stan



Stan Dawson
Executive Director

Volunteer Appreciation Dinner

On October 25, Clyde Corbin, the Crossroads kitchen director, will once again be hosting our annual volunteer dinner. This feast that Clyde prepares so joyfully is the opportunity for the staff and our board to say "thank you" for enabling Crossroads to provide all the services we offer to over 4000 people. During the course of a year it will take 300+ individuals to ensure our Guests are treated with the love, respect and dignity that they deserve.

Thank you volunteers for your tireless labor of love!



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2015 SADDLE UP GALA A HUGE SUCCESS

Our 3rd Annual Saddle Up with Crossroads Benefit was our most successful ever, raising over \$105,000 for Crossroads' programs and services. Thanks to our "Dream Team" Co-Chairs, John Beane, Peggy Foreman, Jane Long and Mary Perrin, who put together a fun and entertaining evening of good food, drink and great entertainment, featuring the Parson's Pickers Bluegrass band. And we had a terrific Silent Auction headed by Nancy Zintak, Laura Law and Marilyn Williams and their team. In addition to our Auction and Ticket Sales, the financial success of this important annual event is largely dependent upon Patron and Corporate

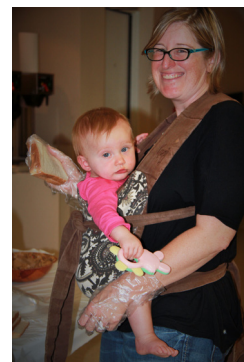
Sponsors, and our Sponsor team headed by Mike Ruberti, Robert Kennedy and Livingston Johnson made this our most successful effort ever. Our brief program featured our amazing staff, Stan Dawson, Clyde Corbin, Emily McIver and Dominic Heard and our services as a primary first stop for our Homeless Guests. It takes an army of volunteers to put on a successful and entertaining fundraiser, and we are grateful to all who attended and all who made this so successful. Be on the lookout for a "Save The Date" for our 2016 Crossroads Saddle Up Benefit!

Wayne Vason
Board Chair



**Empowering people who are homeless to progress
on the road toward economic and personal self sufficiency.**





St. Aidan's Episcopal Church Tops 2K Sandwiches for Crossroads



A Ministry Of Silence

Things we take for granted make such a difference, particularly if one is homeless. While it was months in the making, the Women's Rest Room at Crossroads has been completely rebuilt and furnished with state of the art fixtures. Here is where the "silence" comes in. Our Guests tell us that homelessness is chaos, confusion, uncertainty, hopelessness. There is little privacy. As you look at the photos to the right, what you are really seeing is a place of peace, safety, security (even for a short time) and the hope that 'better' is possible.

