



# CENTRAL COAST Rescue Mission

An Outreach ministry of



April 2015

Changing Lives for Good

## Because of You

### Seven-year-old Angela received a hot meal and love

Angela knew two things on that Friday night. One was that she was hungry. There was no getting around that. She had a hot lunch at school, but that was almost six hours ago. This seven-year-old girl had been waiting patiently for her dad to come home from working in the fields. When he finally got home he was tired and there was barely enough food for them to eat.



*The mission serves hot meals to the community on Monday and Friday evenings, as well as distributing groceries on Wednesdays.*

The second thing she knew, as she walked up to the Central Coast Rescue Mission's outreach, was that she felt important. She was greeted at the door by Conor, who smiled and welcomed Angela and her family. Then, two youth volunteers from Element church showed her a place to sit at a table and poured her some lemonade when she sat down. Everyone sang a couple of songs and, even though she was not familiar with the songs, she could not keep herself from smiling.

Angela and many more girls, boys, and their parents are shown love through a hot meal. They know they are hungry and they

want to know that they are valued and loved. Your faithful support takes care of their hunger and gives them the love and support they long for.

## Before and After the Streets

Adrian Saggese graduated from the Central Coast Rescue Mission's Life Recovery Program in January and returned to his home town of Lompoc. He recently saw the mother of a friend that he used to hang out with on the streets.

When his friend's mom met Adrian at a Bible Study she was shocked at the difference she could see in his life! It was a real before-and-after moment for her. Even with her own hurt about her own son who was in jail, she was so encouraged to see how Adrian's life had changed.

Thank you for your support and prayers for Adrian and all of the men who make the courageous decision to come to the mission to change their lives!



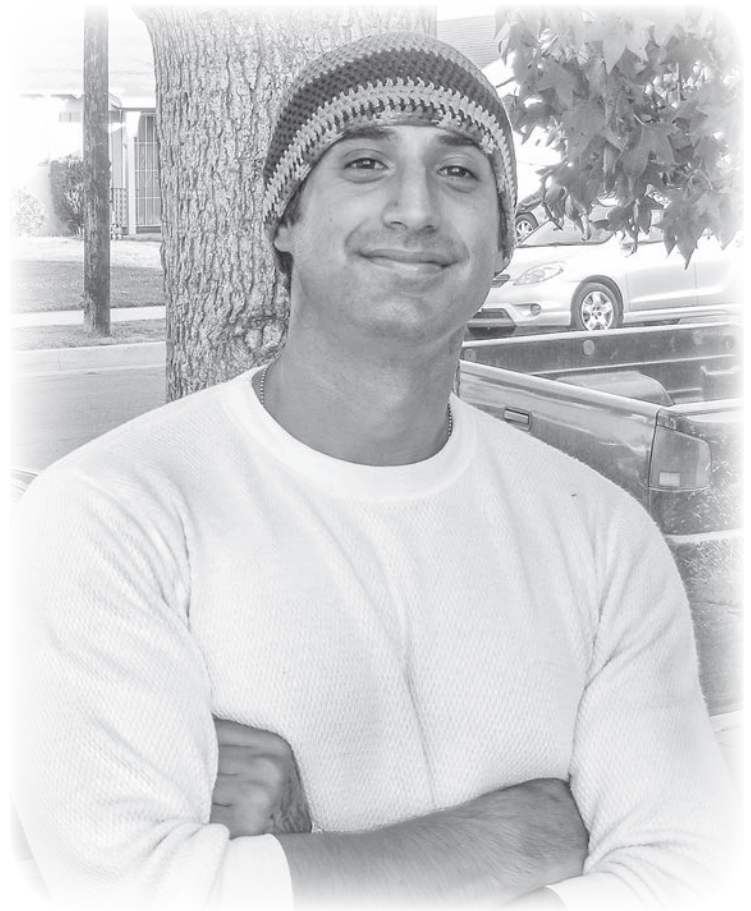
# Shocked by Your Love!

“When I found myself at the doors of the Central Coast Rescue Mission, I experienced culture shock,” says Roger. It wasn’t the type of culture shock you would expect. At 31 years old, he had never experienced a culture of love.

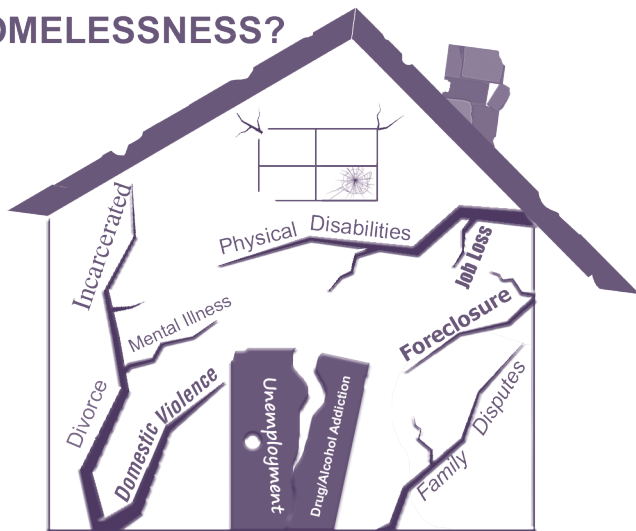
Growing up Guadalupe, the neighborhood he had lived in was pretty corrupted. The only culture he was familiar with was a harsh one, where you fend for yourself. For him, gaining success was through growing and selling marijuana. This type of lifestyle left him without a real purpose.

At the mission, Roger has experienced a completely different culture. “The mission has given me tools to be a better person morally, ethically, and spiritually. Today I am a productive member of society, and I am no longer taking from people. Instead I feel happy to be giving back to my community. My two beautiful children finally have their father back. They deserve a father in their lives. I am so thankful to be healed and ready to be the man I was created to be!” says Roger.

Roger will be graduating in May and plans to become a certified welder. “My life would be nowhere without the mission and my home church Pacific Christian Center. Coming here was the best decision of my life.”



## WHAT CAUSES HOMELESSNESS?



2015 Homeless Resource Network

## Dreams on Display

Please mark your calendars for May 21! We will be putting our dreams on display for you to come and dream with us!

There will be a personal video tour, silent auction, most colorfully dressed guest contest. Refreshments will be served!

Please call me at 805-357-1208 or email me at [aperry@erescuemission](mailto:aperry@erescuemission) to hold a “front-row” seat to watch the dreams that God has for the mission. ~ Audrey Perry, Volunteer Coordinator

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