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THE GIFT OF HOPE

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Timmy graduated the Chico ARP, January 2010. He continued in the Re-Entry program while he obtained employment and housing. He is one of two Chico ARP graduates to become Senior Soldiers of The Salvation Army, currently serving the church as a Bible Study leader and Youth program volunteer.

Timmy Simeroth came to The Salvation Army to give treatment a second try, as a graduate from Sacramento ARC Timmy's story is one of second chances, hope restored and personal triumph. "This time around I have fully devoted to living a life that is God's will."



Men and Women from the Adult Rehabilitation Program are given the opportunity to serve the community in many of the social service programs like meal ministry, food box preparation and processing donations.

POINT OF NEED

"There are others like me ...we've worked all our lives. We need help now, without it we will not survive."



William has come to The Salvation Army for utility assistance. Due to a terminal diagnosis of Valley Fever, he is no longer able to provide for himself and his family.

**...The Salvation Army Chico Corps has given me my life back...
Thanks to those in Chico, I am committed to a better life,
Thank you to those who believed in me without even knowing me.**

—Timmy Simeroth 2011

Gidget, 44 years old came to The Salvation Army Chico ARP from Lodi, CA to get her life in order after a 7 year relapse with drugs and alcohol.

"I found God, and I found that I am a good worker, I am not a bum and a nobody...I can be a valuable employee."

Gidget will return to Hope Harbor to stay connected with The Salvation Army and to help others in recovery. Hope harbor is a Salvation Army facility that provides an ongoing support network and shelter for 20-45 homeless women.



207th Graduate
Chico ARP



The Salvation Army distributes food to more than 10,000 individuals annually.

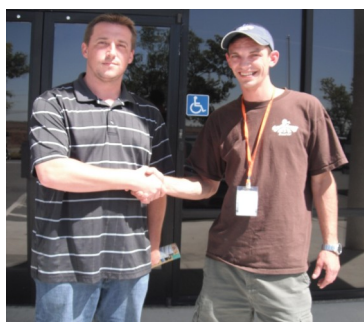
"They help me when no one else will," says the gentleman above.

PLANS FOR A HOPE

And a future...

Second floor of the existing Adult Rehabilitation Program, ready for Phase II construction

Aaron is one of many graduates of the Chico Adult Rehabilitation Program that came as a court mandated beneficiary; sentenced to a one-year residential treatment program. Aaron graduated June 8, 2011, and was given one of three beneficiary beds designated for the re-entry program in the month of June.



Aaron shakes the hand of fellow alumni Gregory White-side, as he returns from his first day of employment.

Today Aaron is employed, living in a sober living environment and regaining custody of his 3-year old son. This is the first time that Aaron has had custody of his son, and the longest period of sobriety he has had in his adult life.



Aaron and his son Justin on their day of re-unification

Aaron says, "thank you for saving my life...I would recommend this program to anyone who is serious about changing their life."

"The miracles here happen only with the second chances from the people in this community that loved me no matter what."



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Aaron would not be regaining custody of his son had he not been given the opportunity to participate in a long term residential program.

Although the ARP celebrates with every graduation, the success of these men and women is tempered by the demands of making their way in the community, becoming gainfully employed and restoring credibility. The reality of re-entering the workforce and becoming a productive family member, and in many cases, providing for a newly re-unified family can be overwhelming for our graduates. According to our intake counselor, more than 50% of our current incoming beneficiaries have not received a High School diploma. With more than 70% of these beneficiaries a head-of-household or in the process of family re-unification, the need for continuing education in GED coursework, résumé-writing, computer literacy, and potential vocational training is essential to the long term sustainability of these graduates.

Phase II will provide apartment style living for men and women who qualify for 6-12 months of continuing treatment. With the partnership of CSUC building department, Phase II construction is slated to begin in 2012. This construction will finish the second story of the current ARP with apartment style living quarters dedicated to re-establishing these men and women into our community.

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Age	Rate	Age	Rate	Age	Rate
65	5.7%	72	6.3%	79	7.4%
66	5.8%	73	6.5%	80	7.6%
67	5.9%	74	6.6%	81	7.8%
68	6.0%	75	6.7%	82	8.0%
69	6.0%	76	6.9%	83	8.3%
70	6.1%	77	7.0%	84	8.4%
71	6.2%	78	7.2%	85	8.5%
				90+	10.5%

*Includes state mortality rates subject to change

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Heart to God & Hand to Man... A cry for help!



Captains Darren & Courtney Stratton have served as Corps Officers in Chico since July of 2007. They have seen first hand the potential that this community has for change, for restoration and for recovery.



Lieutenants Purnell & Connie Hall were assigned to the Chico Corps in July 2011.



Chico Corps & Adult Rehabilitation Program
 "...there is no reward equal to that of doing the most good to the most people in the most need." -Evangeline Booth

Friends,

It is with a grateful heart that I take this opportunity to share with you the accomplishments that have been made in the lives of those that you, as donors, have pledged to help. It is that same heart that is heavy with the burden of financial crisis that we, as a community, share.

The Salvation Army is no stranger to crisis. We have made it our mission to meet people where their need is greatest and see them through that need. The Chico community is suffering the crisis of desperate economic times and The Salvation Army has been hit extremely hard. We will **all** endure this hardship as we learn to live with less, give more, and provide for those whose burdens hit harder each day.

Please consider this as a plea for help, as it **WILL** take every effort on the part of every donor to make this mission a reality to those suffering so greatly in Chico. I would encourage you to consider the desperation of the individuals that may not survive this season, the responsibility we as a community share in this hopelessness, and make this pledge: To give the gift of hope to the men, women and children grateful for any contribution you can make.

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"We realize the hardships this community is enduring, as the need for recovery ministry, emergency services, shelter and basic human needs becomes greater each day. The Army's tradition of remaining at the front lines of crisis, and at the foothold of change is very much alive in this community. We thank you for all you do to support us in this season of need."

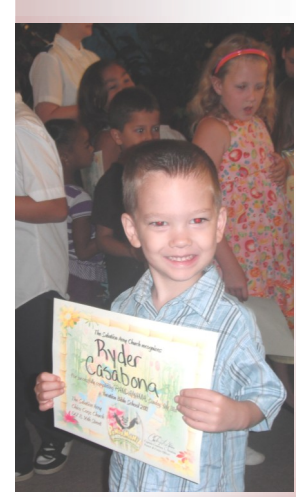
—Captain Darren S. Stratton

"...It is only through community partnerships, collaborative programming and diligent leadership that the lives of those in need will be impacted by change..."

—Lieutenant Connie Hall



"My family has never been happier, each of us, since we have become a part of The Salvation Army ..I know this would not be possible without the donations from the Chico community." —Jim Kowsky 2011

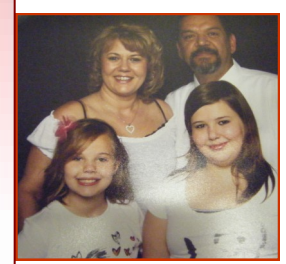


**YOUR DONATIONS OF HOPE:
29 CHILDREN TO SUMMER CAMP
115 ATTEND VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
65 FAMILIES SERVED**

Jim Kowsky,
father,
stepfather,
Adherent,
Volunteer,
ARP intern



"I've known about The Salvation Army all my life," says Jim Kowsky, ... "I wanted a place for my children to grow up with Christ." Jim introduced his children to Vacation Bible School in the Summer of 2008, and has since enrolled them both into the year round youth programming that is provided by The Salvation Army. This year his daughters Kaylin and Kylie were two of 29 children to attend various summer camps.



Kaylin and Kylie Kowsky, with mother Deanne, youth program volunteer. Shares custody of two daughters with Jim Kowsky (opposite)

Jim has been and intern with the Chico ARP, while continuing his education at Butte College

The Salvation Army has taken my family by the hand, from a TRULY broken family, with addiction and divorce, and transformed us with love to become a COMPLETE family, parenting together with shared custody of our children.

"I remember coming here with my mother when she ran out of ideas and food for our family, and how hard it was for her to find help when my father left. The Salvation Army is still here for my family in a huge way."



Shawn and son Racer

Shawn has come to pick up food and was handed a flyer for Vacation Bible School." Shawn attended VBS with her children and participated in the adult Bible School and fellowship activities offered at The Salvation Army.



PANDAMANIA VBS 2011

The Salvation Army provides bible study programs for all ages during Sunday Worship Services. Year round youth and family programming provides scouting programs for school age children, music workshops in guitar, textiles and wood-working. There are also bible-study and activities dedicated to teenagers and adults incorporating The Salvation Army's mission for Chico.

The Salvation Army, an international movement, is an evangelical part of the universal Christian church. Its message is based on the Bible.

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