



Transforming Lives: Phase Two Unveiled

Shelter KC was blessed to launch our Transformations Campaign last year to increase our capacity to serve more guests and improve the facilities and services provided once they arrive. This includes implementing a trauma-informed design to create an environment that fosters healing and recovery.

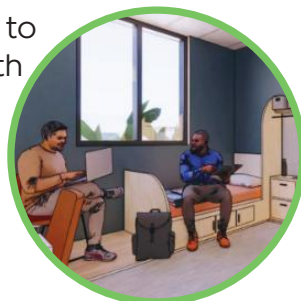
Now that Phase One is complete, we are excited to unveil Phase Two. This expansion phase of the campaign will be a significant step forward in enhancing our facilities to better serve the community.



- **New Entrance and Reception:** A secure and welcoming point of entry
- **Interior Courtyard:** A vibrant space fostering community connection
- **Chapel:** A sacred haven for worship and reflection
- **Multiple Meeting Rooms:** Dedicated spaces for various programs and gatherings
- **Sleeping Quarters for C-COR Participants:** Providing comfort and support
- **Community Spaces:** Exercise areas, classrooms, living rooms, kitchens, and program offices for holistic care to needy families at home during Operation Family Feast

Your gift today toward the campaign will be matched dollar-for-dollar thanks to the generous Matching Challenge Gift we received. Simply return your gift with the attached reply slip or donate online at **ShelterKC.org**.

For more information about the campaign or to tour our facilities, please contact Kara Feitz or Alisha Roberts at (816) 421-7643.



Thank you for your support! God bless you!

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Match my gift to **DOUBLE** the amount of help.

- \$26.91 for **26 meals and care**
- \$51.75 for **50 meals and care**
- \$76.59 for **74 meals and care**
- \$_____ to help as many people as possible

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It's easy to give your gift online: **ShelterKC.org**.

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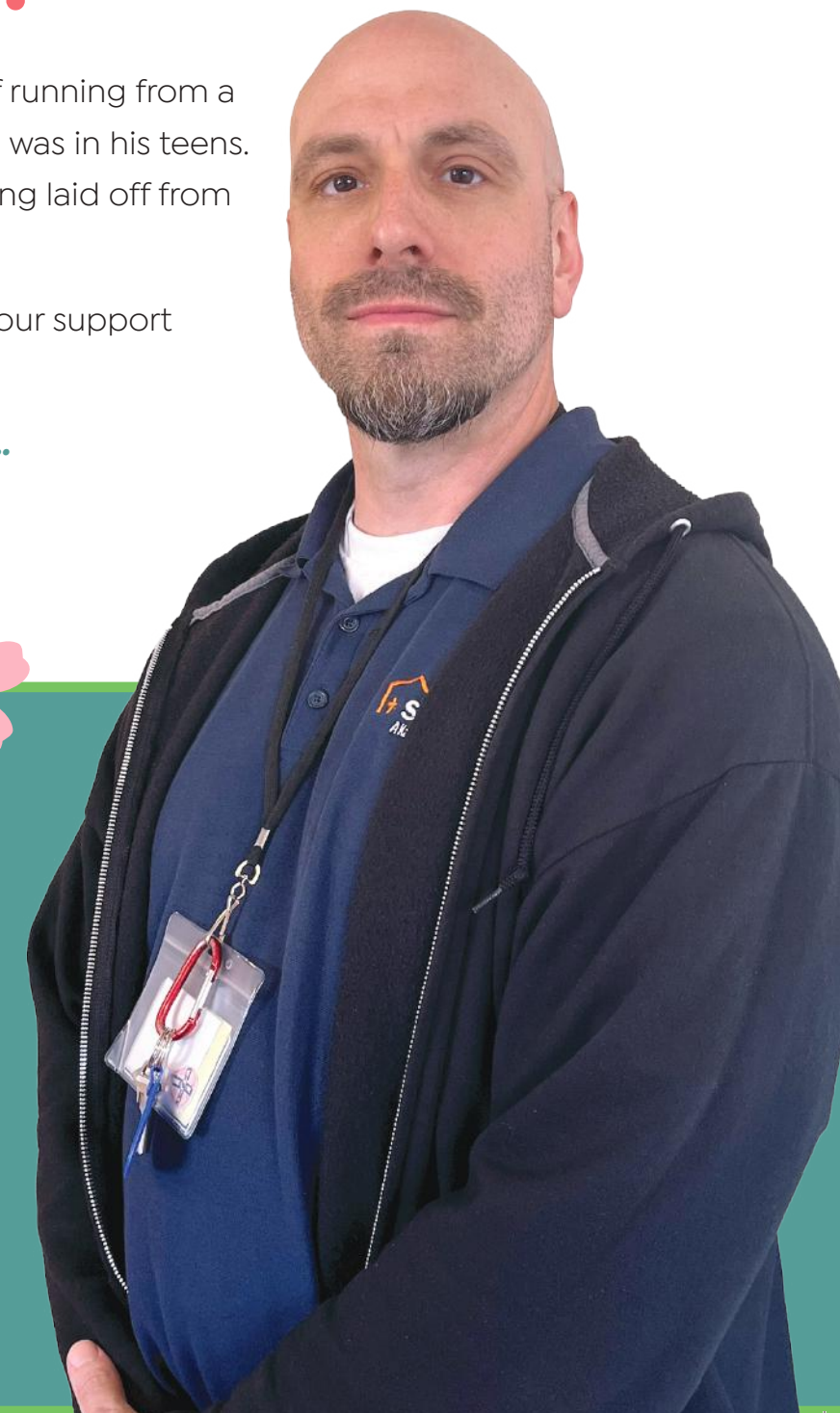
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“My life was completely out of control.”

For Mike, drugs and alcohol were a way of running from a traumatic event he experienced when he was in his teens. He later got clean but relapsed after getting laid off from a job that he found rewarding.

That's when he found Shelter KC, where your support helped him start a new life.

Learn more about Mike's journey inside...

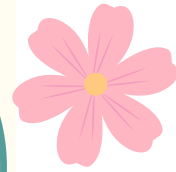


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DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

Eric Burger,
Executive Director



“Coming to Shelter KC was a calling from God.”

Just about a year ago, Mike got laid off from his job and ended up turning back to the drugs and alcohol he had begun to use as a teen. His addiction stemmed from extreme trauma he experienced when he was 15.

“I used drugs and alcohol to run from it. I just carried it through my whole life.”

After his relapse, he found out about Shelter KC by looking for help online.

“I didn’t have anywhere to go,” he remembers. “I prayed for signs from God, and he showed me that I should be going into this program.”

Mike entered our C-Cor program, a long-term recovery program designed to lead men toward a committed and sober life in Jesus Christ. Here, men like Mike have a supportive community that offers, pastoral counseling, work therapy, recovery groups, and the education and knowledge that will lead them to a healthy and sustainable life.

“It’s given me time to clear the fog out of my brain. The way that the program is structured is really good for a nine-month program.”

Before he came to Shelter KC, Mike’s life-long faith had “diminished.”

“My belief system wasn’t there to rely on, so I turned to drugs again. Since I’ve been here, I’ve gotten my faith back. I’ve gotten my cornerstone back. I’m back into the Word. I feel like I have something solid to rely on if something significant were to come up and catch me off guard.”

“Coming to Shelter KC and finding the C-Cor program was a calling from God. He knew what I needed.”

Along with his reawakened faith, Mike also has a vision for his future.

“When I had a job doing medical logistics, I was sending out surgical packs, and it made me feel good to wake up every day knowing that I had to get these packs out for people’s surgeries to help save their lives.”

“I want to do something in the medical world to help people. I’m going to pursue becoming a flight assistant for med-evac for Children’s Mercy and other hospitals. If that’s not possible, I want to do transport for the hospitals, taking people to their rooms and taking them from hospital to hospital.”

Thank you so much for making a difference in Mike’s life through your generous partnership!



Today, Tonight and Tomorrow

One day at a time.

That’s how you help people rebuild their lives and escape homelessness.

Today, it might be a simple meal. Tonight, a hot shower and a blessed night of sleep in a safe shelter. Tomorrow an invitation to join one of our residential programs, like our C-Cor program that helps men overcome addictions and rebuild their lives.

Because you support Shelter KC, lives are transformed!

We want to continue seeing lives transformed as we also meet the ever-growing demand for our services and prepare for the future. **That’s why we’re unveiling Phase Two of our Transformations Campaign.**

In this critical phase, we will begin construction on 12,000 additional square footage next to our current shelter. The additional space will entail much more than additional bed space for the men in the C-Cor program. It will include more classroom space, computer and work training areas, a chapel, and other areas that will help support the whole person: physically, mentally, emotionally, spiritually, and socially.

And because of a heaven-sent Matching Challenge Gift, the impact of your gift today will be doubled!

Doubled to provide change to more lives. Doubled to help more men grow in their faith, achieve their goals, and begin new lives.

We are so grateful for all you do and hope you will continue your support today. God bless you!

Eric Burger



We love our volunteers!

We could not do the work we do year-round without our amazing volunteers. There is always a way for you to be involved. That’s why we would love to have your help!

Individual volunteers and groups are all welcome, and opportunities include everything from serving meals to sorting donations to landscaping and grounds maintenance.

For more information, please contact Annel Rice at (816) 421-7643, ext. 111 or at ARice@ShelterKC.org. We hope to see you soon!



Make Twice the Impact!

\$40,000 Matching Challenge Gift DOUBLES your support!

Thanks to a generous Matching Challenge Gift of \$40,000, your donation today will go twice as far to help neighbors in need in Kansas City!

That means you’ll be able to **double your impact** on people’s lives by providing immediate needs like food and shelter. Or designate your gift for our Transformations Campaign to help us expand and provide more men in our C-Cor program with life-changing services like education, counseling, and discipleship.

\$20 doubles to \$40 to help provide meals and shelter.

\$50 becomes \$100 to help twice as many men and women.

\$100 doubles to provide \$200 worth of life-changing programs.

Mail your gift today or donate online at **ShelterKC.org**.

