

A NEW DAWN



Easter 2025

Don't miss...

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All things new...

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Help save lives all year long

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"I am free from fear"



Brandi has a NEW LIFE this Easter!

Thank you for opening the door to her transformation.



“I AM FREE FROM FEAR... AND GOD IS HEALING ME.”

When Brandi was adopted as a child, she thought she'd found a safe home. But when her mother passed away, Brandi was mistreated by her brother for a decade. **“The trauma harmed my emotional health deeply, and my ability to be in relationships.”**

In high school, Brandi turned to substances to numb her pain, which led to her father kicking her out of the house. “I was homeless at 18,” she recalls. **“By 25 I was an addict, and then I became pregnant with my son.”**

While pregnant, Brandi got sober, but after giving birth, the pain of her past drove her back to substances. Eventually, CPS intervened and took custody of her son. **“Losing him was my rock bottom. I had nowhere to go, and nothing left to my name.”**

Driven by love for her son, Brandi committed to sobriety, and after two years of clean living she got custody of him back. She needed to rebuild a life for

them both, and that's when she came to our door.

In our Women and Children's program, Brandi found the healing, hope and love that she had craved since childhood. “It felt like family... and I felt safe.” She also began building a relationship with Jesus. **“I had a mustard seed of faith when I got here. It is growing, and God is healing me.”**

Brandi's plans for the future are bright. **“I'm getting the resources I need to get back into school and to pursue a career.”** Her goal is to become a phlebotomist and eventually move so that she and her son can be closer to her family.

This Easter, Brandi is experiencing the gift of new life! She has been transformed and empowered to begin her next chapter – thanks to your support! “The Mission has helped me heal and overcome my fears, my worries and my self-doubts. I know that I can give it to God and He will continue to heal me.”



“I needed a safe and stable environment... I knew this was the right place.”





A Message from DARLA BURKETT

All things new...

Men and women often come to us on the worst days of their life. They're tired, hungry and struggling with shame. For many, Coachella Valley Rescue Mission is a last resort.

But the fact that they come to us at all means they still have a glimmer of hope. Because they're trying to change, part of them still believes a new life is possible. **Generous friends like you provide the services and programs that help rebuild their lives!**

We believe God is "making all things new" (Rev. 21:5) for our hurting and homeless neighbors. Whether they come for a meal, a safe place to sleep or life recovery - your generosity helps transform lives like Brandi's, whose story you can read on page 3.

Especially now during the Easter season, the hope of new life carries a special meaning. We're reminded of the empty tomb - a symbol that nothing is impossible with God. We hold that promise for each of our neighbors in need.

Thank you for believing in our homeless, hungry neighbors.

Through your gifts and prayers, you show that you have faith in their future and the power of God's redeeming love!

Happy Easter... and God bless!

Darla Burkett

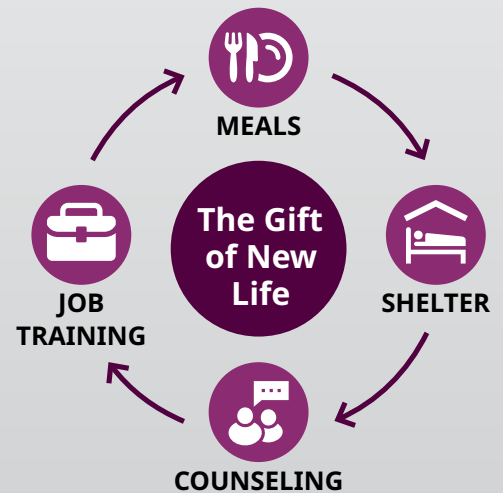
Darla Burkett
Executive Director



GIVE MONTHLY. SAVE LIVES ALL YEAR!

You can make a lasting difference in our community when you become a monthly partner!

These days, it costs more than ever to provide the life-changing care our hurting neighbors at Coachella Valley Rescue Mission need... By becoming a monthly giving club partner, you can help our clients start their journey to a new life by providing:



**Start giving
monthly now!**



This Easter... **EVERY MEAL MATTERS**

Just \$2.22 for a meal & hope for a new life!

Each meal served with love at the Mission is so much more than a plate of food. It can also open the door to life-changing services like safe shelter, faith-based care and healing in our recovery programs!

Every meal you provide this Easter matters!

Just \$2.22 provides a hot, nourishing Easter meal to someone in need... and shares hope for a new life in Christ.

✉ Give now using the enclosed reply card and envelope.

✨ Give online anytime at CVRM.org.



Help strengthen
our community
while you shop!

Your support of the **New Life Resale Boutique** helps your neighbors who are struggling. Here's how you can help change lives through the store:

- You can donate gently used clothes or household items you no longer need.
- Clients in our recovery program learn on-the-job training and employment skills.
- Our neighbors can shop for the items they need at low prices they can afford.
- All proceeds from the Thrift Store support the Mission's life-changing programs and services. **Everyone benefits!**

To donate items, simply call **(760) 347-3512, ext. 300**, to schedule a pick-up right from your home. To shop with us, stop by our Boutique at 1398 6th Street in Coachella, Monday – Friday 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday (9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.), or learn more at **CVRM.org**.

Thank you for helping change lives through our New Life Resale Boutique!

HELP HUNGRY NEIGHBORS THIS EASTER



Our Easter Celebration

Saturday, April 19 Dinner: 2-6 p.m.

Sunday, April 20 Breakfast: 6-10 a.m.
Dinner: 2-6 p.m.

You can help provide **thousands of meals** for our hungry neighbors this Easter! Donate these much-needed food items to help welcome our clients with a good meal – and give them hope for a new life.

URGENTLY NEEDED ITEMS!

Drop off any of these items **by Friday, April 18:**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> SPIRAL SLICED HAMS | <input type="checkbox"/> POWDERED MILK |
| <input type="checkbox"/> INSTANT MASHED POTATOES | <input type="checkbox"/> DESSERTS (homemade or store-bought) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> BUTTER | <input type="checkbox"/> COFFEE |
| <input type="checkbox"/> CANNED VEGETABLES | <input type="checkbox"/> CREAMER |



Drop off donations at the Mission at 47-470 Van Buren St. in Indio.

No time to shop? Donate now!
(760) 347-3512 ✨ **CVRM.org**