"WITH MAN THIS IS IMPOSSIBLE, BUT WITH GOD ALL THINGS ARE POSSIBLE." MATTHEW ]

MISSION: POSSIBLE

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2014 ANNUAL REPORT **EGM ERIE CITY MISSION** 

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# A Letter from the Executive Director

"GOOD MORNING, MR. PHELPS. YOUR MISSION, SHOULD YOU DECIDE TO ACCEPT IT, IS ..." And then the voice on the tape would explain the mission for the IMF, Impossible Mission Force, to undertake.

At the conclusion of the explanation, the voice then said, "THIS TAPE WILL SELF-DESTRUCT IN FIVE SECONDS." And it did—all to ominous, "spy-sounding" music.

For each of us, life, at times, can feel like an impossible mission. That sense of life's impossibilities weighs especially heavy on the people The Erie City Mission serves—men and women battling addiction; individuals and families coping with the daily impact of poverty, unemployment, hunger, or homelessness; and children and youth wandering through life without hope.

For 103 years, the Mission has given recovery, opportunity, and hope to our community's most vulnerable men, women, and children. And yet, we fully realize that our "mission" has not been fully accomplished.

While at times the work we do can be grueling and seems impossible, we have full confidence that we're not doing it in our own strength, but in that which God supplies. We serve a God who is able to take that which seems impossible and makes it possible. In fact, our God takes great pleasure in turning our "impossibilities" into "possibilities."

As you scan our annual report, we invite you to join us in celebrating all that's been accomplished—the opening of our new women's residential facility, Grace House; the expansion of our programs and services; and the personal successes witnessed as lives have been changed and hope restored. We also invite you to stand with us as we continue to face those challenges ahead of us—those "great opportunities brilliantly disguised as impossible situations." (Charles Swindoll)

God doesn't send out tapes that self-destruct—His method of making mission assignments is much better. Unlike Jim Phelps, we don't have to come up with a plan. God already has one, and He goes before us to accomplish everything He has asked us to do. It is, when all is said and done, **MISSION POSSIBLE!** 

## WHO SUPPORTS ECM:





10% BUSINESSES





9% CHURCH GROUPS

## FINANCIALS & WAYS TO HELP

[+] Thank you for another year of faithful support to the Erie City Mission and it's ministries. The Mission is committed to good stewardship of the resources entrusted to our care through innovative programming, accountability and sound fiscal management. We acknowledge gladly that our dependence is completely upon God and we trust Him to fulfill His promise to meet our needs.



#### CONTACT US

Please feel free to contact us with any questions or requests for additional information at 814/452-4421 or contact@eriecitymission.org. We are a member in good standing with the Evangelical Council for Financial Accountability (ecfa.org) and a copy of our completed 2012-13 independent audit is available upon request.



## PRAY

Pray for those who are serving and are being served through the Mission. Access our monthly POWERLINE Prayer Calendar at eriecitymission.org

## MENTOR

Mentor a New Life Program or Grace House Participant. Mentor a Women's Connection Ministry participant.

### SERVE

Serve a meal. Sort food or clothing. Conduct a food, clothing or personal care item drive. Participate in one of the Mission's children and family outreaches. Share the gift of music at the Mission. Sponsor a "Who's Cooking What?" day. Support special repair or construction projects.

## DONATE

Attend an event to benefit the Mission. Become a corporate partner through cash or gift-in-kind donation. Make a secure donation on our website. Include the Mission in your will. Become a monthly donor. Ask your HR representative about workplace giving and a company match. Bless the needy with simple, everyday items from the Needs List on our website.

## ECM SENIOR LEADERSHIP TEAM

Pastor Rick Crocker Executive Director Barbara Brown Director of Operations Pastor Andrew Kerr Chaplain/Family Care RoseMarie Lackey Director of Women and Children's Ministries Darrell Smith Director of Men's Programs and Ministries Tiffanie Page-Collazo Director of Development Ministries

Total Income	\$3,852,614
Contributed Support	\$1,349,137
Special Project/Events	\$69,856
Foundation/Bequests/	\$622,877
Endowments	
Grants	\$198,205
Thrift Store/DC Sales	\$891,868
In Kind Donations - Food	\$403,489
In Kind Donations - Other	\$259,547
Investment Revenue	\$18,897
Misc.	\$38,738

\$3,507,646

\$764,987

\$187,410

\$873,131

\$937,549

\$315,995

\$428,574

#### **Total Expense**

Men's Ministries
Family Ministries
Program Services
Thrift Stores
Mgmt/General
Fundraising

## MINISTRIES OF ERIE CITY MISSION

#### NEW LIFE PROGRAM

A long-term comprehensive residential recovery program for men committed to transforming their lives. The program lasts from six months to a year and includes: Spiritual Life Development and Bible Study, Addictions Recovery – 12 Step AA/NA, Cognitive Renewal, and Adult Education Classes, medical and vocational screening, group and individual counseling, and internships.

#### GRACE HOUSE

A long-term therapeutic transitional living facility for single women, without children, committed to life transformation. The program lasts from twelve to eighteen months and includes: Spiritual Life Development and Bible Study, Addictions Recovery – 12 Step AA/NA, Conflict Resolution, Recognizing Patterns of Co-Dependency, Boundaries, cooking, sewing, equine-assisted learning therapy, medical and vocational screening, and group and individuals counseling.

#### SAMARITAN CARE PROGRAM

An emergency men's shelter that provides a safe, clean place to sleep for up to 60 nights.

#### CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

The Mission is intent in the continued development of its ministry to children and youth. We are committed to making positive changes in our community and look to encourage and support our youth through various outreach events, including our two Bonkers 4 Jesus summer camps, attended by 117 children in 2014.

#### PUBLIC MEAL MINISTRY

The Erie City Mission serves a free public lunch daily (seven days a week) to upwards of 300 hungry men, women and children. Meals are served at The Mission's Public Dining Room at 11th and French, and at San Juan United Methodist Church on Buffalo Road (Monday through Friday).

#### WOMEN'S MINISTRIES

ECM Women's Connection Ministry fosters friendship, support and spiritual growth to women of all ages and backgrounds through its weekly Bible study and fellowship group. Since its inception in January 2011, WCM has ministered to more than 300 women.

#### FAMILY CARE CENTER FOOD PANTRY KING'S KLOSET CLOTHING PANTRY

This social service arm of the Mission provides emergency groceries, personal care and clothing to men, women and children in need. Spiritual support, counseling and agency referrals are also available.

#### DONATION CENTER

Our Donation Center accepts donations of gently used clothing, furniture, and small household items. Items are sorted and either given away to the needy or sold in one of the Mission's two Thrifty Shopper Stores in Erie and Girard. Clothing that can't be donated or resold is baled and purchased by wholesalers and sent to third world countries.

#### SOCIAL ENTERPRISES

Funds generated from our Thrifty Shopper stores and other social enterprise ventures support Mission programs that house the homeless, feed the hungry and rescue the lost right here at home.

[+]	151,270 free, hot, nutritious meals
	were served to hungry people



- [+] **361** men received rehabilitation/recovery/shelter for a total of **9,554** days
- [+] **1,349** guests were provided shelter for a total of **17,777** nights
- [+] Swomen received rehabilitation/recovery/shelter
- [+] **76,584** individuals received emergency groceries through the Family Care Center
- [+] **4,896** households received clothing through the Kings Kloset ministry
- [+] 58,794 hours of service provided by more than 2,000 volunteers valued at \$470,350



## OUR MISSION

At the Erie City Mission, our purpose has remained the same since 1911 – to advance the kingdom of God through the Gospel of Jesus Christ and to provide quality services and care that restores individuals, families and communities impacted by the effects of addictions, poverty, homelessness and a lack of hope.

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