

TACOMA RESCUE MISSION

Helping all people become their best through the love of Christ

Did you know that 33% of the families we serve at the Rescue Mission are from Puyallup, Lakewood and surrounding areas?

Most people don't realize what a huge and growing problem family homelessness has become in the eastern part of Pierce County.

The growth of family homelessness has helped change the face of homelessness in Pierce County. When we began serving the hungry and poor of Pierce County in 1912, it was largely for single men. Now however, we have more children in a Rescue Mission bed than we do single men in our shelter.

Recently I met with officials from the city of Puyallup to talk about the growing problem of homelessness. Together we are working with the city of Puyallup, the Puyallup Homeless Coalition and others to make sure that no child has to sleep on the streets or in a vehicle at night in Pierce County. We are a long way to reaching that goal, but it's a goal worth striving for for the following reasons:

We must protect the innocence of our children. Often homeless children lose their innocence and sense of hope almost as fast as they become homeless. We also

know that children who are homeless are much more likely to become homeless as adults. An estimated 40% of the adults in our shelter were homeless as children. We have to stop this cycle. Children are full of potential and are not responsible for their circumstances. They are victims of homelessness. By getting them off the street we are protecting their innocence and giving them a fighting chance at a healthy life.

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It's not too late. Often we are able to intercept a child in homelessness and rescue them from a life of drugs, prostitution and pain. We can't give up on our kids; instead we must fight to create healthy environments for them to develop and to become the people God has designed for them to be.

Please make serving and loving homeless children your cause. Together we are saving lives. ♦

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Visit our website at
rescuetacoma.com



Adams Square is just months away!

The Mission's vision of "building stronger families" in Pierce County is one step closer to realization with the construction of Adams Square Family Campus. The \$10.3M facility will provide **20 family rooms of emergency shelter & 16 apartments of transitional housing**

for homeless families and unaccompanied women. On-site supportive services include:

- Case management
- Life skills training
- Family finances class
- Youth mentoring
- Basic education, emotional healing, and other programs

These will be available to residents as they embark to "transform" their lives towards greater self-sufficiency. Construction of Adams Square Family Campus started in September 2009 is on schedule to achieve its projected completion date in September 2010.

As the Mission continues to raise the remaining \$5M for furnishing the rooms with basic, appropriate and sturdy furniture (cribs, bunk beds, twin beds, study desks, dining sets, living room sets) for the future guests of Adams Square Family Campus, we are inviting individuals and organizations to consider becoming a partner through a cash donation and join others who have invested in "building stronger families" in



Pierce County. You can mail in a check, or donate online at RescueTacoma.com.

- A \$5,000 donation will furnish a family room in the emergency shelter with 2 bunk beds, mattresses, and 2 chests of drawers.
- A \$7,500 donation will help furnish a 1-bedroom apartment with bunk beds, twin bed, dining room set, living room set, chests of drawers and student desk with chair.
- A \$10,000 donation will help furnish a 2-bedroom apartment with bunk beds, full-size bed, dining room set, living room set, chests of drawers and student desk with chair.

We are in need of new twin sheet sets, new pillows, and new twin mattresses to furnish the many rooms in our new facility. Drop off at our donation center, and specify the donation is for the Adams Square Family Campus.

We would be honored to give you a personal tour, Contact David Curry at 253.383.4462



Tacoma Rescue Mission's facilities and programs

If you are looking for ways to be involved, there are many opportunities to get connected to what we do, and what we're all about. If you're interested in volunteering we can use any gifts or talents including; facility maintenance, serving food, home repair projects, tutoring, office work, organization, customer service, technical skills, cleaning, and more!

Fill out a form at RescueTacoma.com/volunteer.php. Contact Juliet Wallin at julietw@trm.org or call 253.383.4462 with questions.

- Donate online at RescueTacoma.com, or mail cash or check donations to Tacoma Rescue Mission: PO Box 1912 | Tacoma, WA 98401-1912
- Drop off donations at Need-A-Break Center: 425 S. Tacoma Way | Tacoma, WA
- For estate gifts contact Tammy at (253) 383-4462 or tammyc@trm.org
- Donate your working car, truck, RV, boat or other vehicle: Contact Bob at (253) 383-4493 bobk@trm.org

Colonial Square
253-627-2766
701 Commerce St.
Tacoma, WA 98402
Low income affordable housing

Administrative Office
253-383-4462
702 Pacific Ave
Tacoma, WA 98402

Family Shelter
253-272-1974
609 S 15th St
Tacoma, WA 98405

Shelter, meals, case management, addiction recovery, and youth program

Jefferson Square
253-272-6828
2336 S Jefferson Ave
Tacoma, WA 98402
Drug and alcohol free studios for special needs

New Life Square
253-383-4493
425 S Tacoma Way
Tacoma, WA 98402

Good Neighbor Cafe, New Life Program, Men's shelter, and Challenge Learning

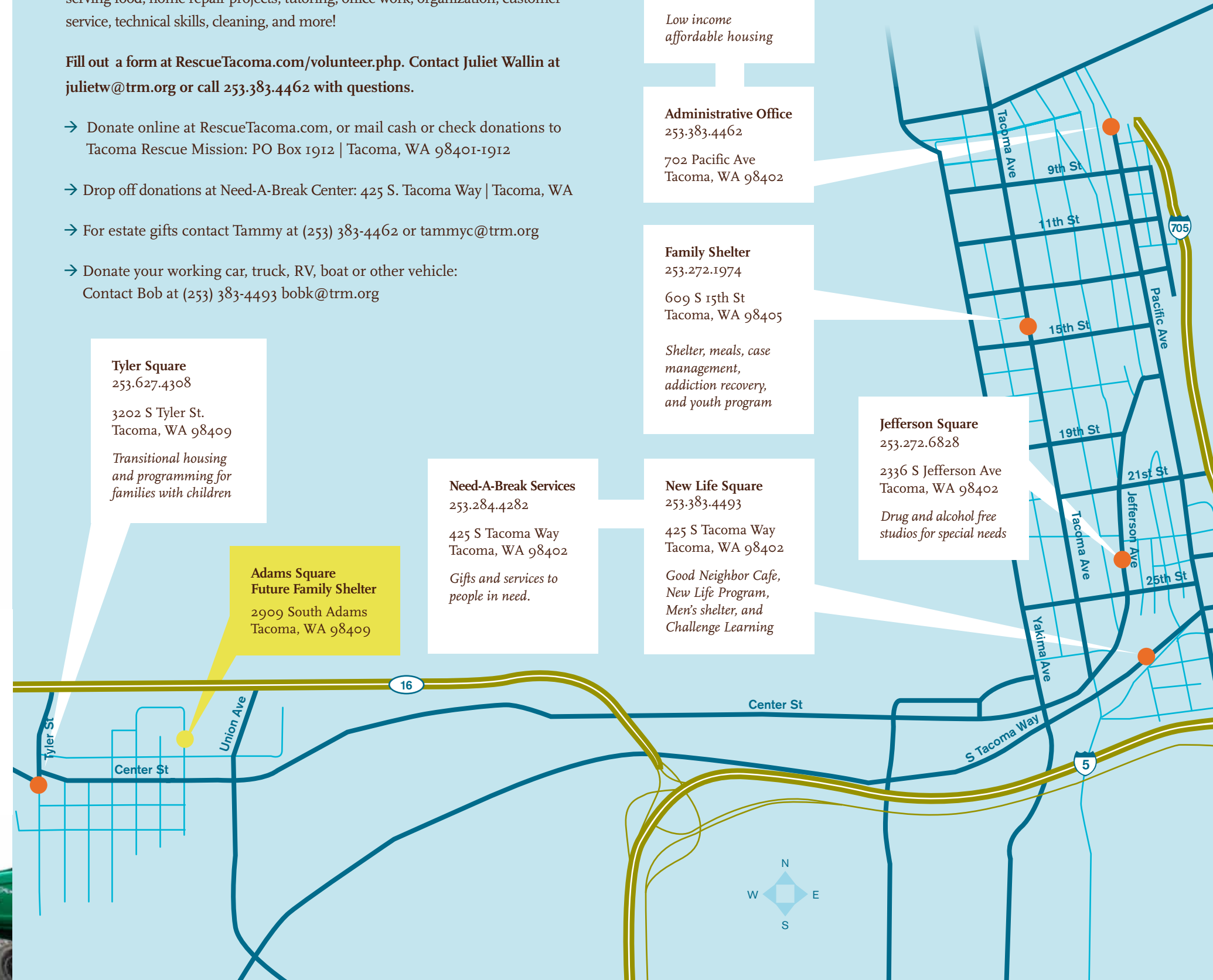
Need-A-Break Services
253-284-4282
425 S Tacoma Way
Tacoma, WA 98402
Gifts and services to people in need.

Tyler Square
253.627.4308

3202 S Tyler St.
Tacoma, WA 98409

Transitional housing and programming for families with children

Adams Square Future Family Shelter
2909 South Adams
Tacoma, WA 98409



In Memory of

Andre Fleming
Janice Fleming

Barbara Kaye Temple
Marian Wakeley-Lorenz

Bertha & Myron Weidman
Wendy Weidman

Bonnie McLean
Jeannelle Holroyd

Bryan Aichinger
Dolores Aichinger

Carl Livingston
Queen Livingston

Carl Frank Foster
Elizabeth Haugen

Casey Spence
Jeremy Tompkins

Christopher Lee
Kristy Towers

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Nancy Zahnow

Darnett McLaughlin
Lewis Barnes

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Twila Cysensky

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Grace Lang
Cecilia Maskell

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Bob and Clara Garrison

Helen Nelson
Mary Church

Helen Stern
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Rudy Rivera

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Nancy Zahnow

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Lois Pruitt

Kenneth Phillips
Jeanette Frederick

Larry Middleton
Brenda Middleton

Lee Lawrence
Irene Baskette

Lee Zulauf
Dwight Zulauf

Lilli Gamas
Horace Gamas

Lillian Jurkovskis
Larry Jurkovskis

Maria Demetriades
Abraham Demetriades

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Robert Boulds

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Rosemary Javorski

Rev. Roy Mewborn
Mike and Paula Lonergan

Richard B Conrad
Julie Nelson

Robert G. Lizotte
Anne Lizotte

Ron Holsinger
Susan Fye

Russ Carlsen
Norma Carlsen

Scatt Brunick
Olivia Herring

Tom Sokolowski
Roland Brown

Violet Mesler
Inez Glass

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Esther Jones

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Harold and Betty Stroud

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Ernest Hopp

Violet Mesler
Donald and Lucia McClain

Violet Mesler
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Violet Mesler
Martin Nelson

Violet Mesler
Susan Konsmo

Virginia Hamblin
Harold Hamblin

Vivian Kjellesvick
Beverly Holmes

Wadeeaa Kharoufeh
Helaniah Clark

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Margo Deegan

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Gary Aardappel

Keith Margeson
Mae Margeson

Paul Hensel
John and Zandra Hensel

Regina Walker Chorsky
Diana Walker

Ruth Kors
Jeanette Kors

U.S. Veterans
Sharon Vendetti

For information on estate planning, contact: Tammy at (253) 383-4462 or tammyc@trm.org

Feinstein Program

We are participating in the Feinstein anti-hunger matching program. Donations to the Tacoma Rescue Mission's meal program in April will be reported to the foundation. Your generosity will result in an award from the foundation.

For more information on the program go to feinsteinfoundation.org

Good Neighbor Day

Join us for our annual volunteer event on **Saturday, May 15th**.

Simply fill out a form online at rescuetacoma.com/volunteer or contact Juliet at julietw@trm.org



Spring Cleaning? Donate your items to the Mission!

Your donations of clothing and household items make a big difference in the lives of those in need!

Visit the Need-A-Break Center, our donation warehouse, at the New Life Square facility (425 S. Tacoma Way Tacoma, WA 98402). We take donations of all kinds; simply bring your items in and receive a tax receipt for your donation.

Our attended donation hours are **Monday-Wednesday from 10am-2pm**, but donations can be dropped off anytime **Monday-Friday from 9am-5pm**.

