

STREETS ALIVE MISSION - SPRING 2023

EMPOWERING PEOPLE

Living a Legacy

Leave a mark on the world that can't be erased

Restoration of Dignity

Streets Alive Mission exists to provide for the physical, emotional, social, and spiritual needs of the poor, to empower them to change their lives through the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

This is how we do it:

- PIN (People In Need) Clothing & Food Bank
- Foot Fridays
- Care Cuts
- Trusteeship Program
- Feeding 'em HOPE
- Outreach Street Team
- Life Recovery Programs
- Referrals
- RePurpose Donation Centre

Recovery is Real

In 2022, we welcomed 67 men and 33 women into our Life Recovery Programs and currently, 71 of those have more than 120 days sober!



"We Were Not Forgotten"

"It was a cold night in January, the shelter was full and there was nowhere to go. There were a bunch of us huddled up in groups at the library, it was a particularly bad day. It was about 2 o'clock in the morning and we saw the Streets Alive vehicle pull up. Tears came to my eyes; my first thought was we were not forgotten. The Outreach team got out and gave us handwarmers and mittens and a cup of hot chocolate. This changed everything, for many of us that are out here on the streets, we mattered. The outreach team treats us like human beings, bring hope and makes a difference." - Sarah

Legacy Giving

You have the opportunity to leave a legacy. Planned ([LEGACY](#)) giving is a gift made in your will that can help express your wishes and interests. It may be a specific sum of money, a particular asset (e.g. shares or investments), or a portion of your estate. With careful planning, a legacy gift may allow you to make a much larger gift than otherwise possible, and help to minimize taxes for your estate. Talk to your trusted financial planner today.

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What Do We Leave Behind?

Have you ever thought about it? I know I have. Who is going to remember me when I'm not kicking around the planet anymore, dazzling those around me with my sardonic wit and oh-so-funny jokes? What kind of impact have I had, if any? Will I be remembered fondly? Or will it be more of an Ebenezer Scrooge scenario, with a group of folks chatting about my death and chortling, only offering to attend my funeral if lunch is provided?



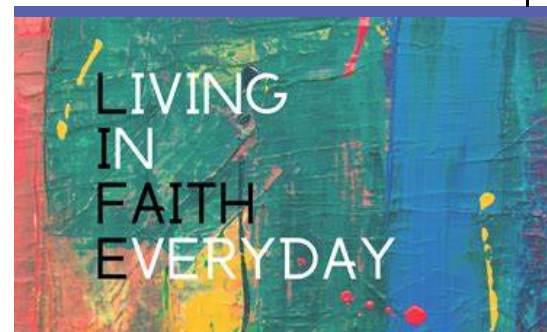
Streets Alive began in a very small, humble way. When it was clear that the people we were bussing to church services were uncomfortable there, we started our own service in the bus depot and fed them a simple meal of sandwiches afterwards. But the impact of those humble beginnings are felt today. Pastors Ken and Julie Kissick have seen this ministry through seven different main locations to where we are now. We've had programs come and go, depending on the need that we've seen and felt God wanted us to fill in the community. They set a course and sailed Streets Alive though some, at times, very choppy waters.

They also raised three children while doing this, and those children have given them four grandchildren. Their home has always been a place where people felt welcome and safe, even if they left covered in dog hair (love them, love their dogs!). Pastor Ken was diagnosed with cancer in 2002, which was also the same year the walk-in/shelter was closed down. Those were some choppy waters. Nevertheless, they persisted. They reopened in a different location and Pastor Ken has been cancer free for over twenty years. Streets Alive Mission has continued to grow, both up as well as out.

Streets Alive Mission runs a variety of programs overseen not only by Pastors Ken and Julie, but by the officers that they've trained to come beneath and beside them. There's an entire team that shares the passion and the enthusiasm for the people that Pastors Ken and Julie have always had, the kind that has kept them in the ministry for more than 30 years and will continue this ministry for the next 30 years.

Now that's a legacy!

STREETS ALIVE
MISSION



Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms.

1 PETER 4:10



PLEASE JOIN US!

Wing Ding
Saturday, June 24, 2023

5th Annual Golf Tournament
Friday, July 21, 2023

Broken Butterflies Women's
Tea Party
Date TBA

For more information, tickets or sponsorship opportunities, visit

streetsalive.ca



Looking Back and Moving Forward

This year we have expanded our Outreach Street Team to operate 24 hours a day, across all of Lethbridge. The need for this service is real!

In January 2023 alone, our team had 5,533 interactions with individuals, attended 222 encampments, gave out 494 referrals, provided 32 transports to shelter or emergency and prevented 8 overdoses! We were also able to transport 8 people to detox.

We can't do this without you! Financial donations are desperately needed to continue this integral, life-saving work.

Your continued support allows us to change lives and provide hope. We are ever grateful for your contributions.

Call to Get Involved!

With warmer weather on its way, we're renewing our call for volunteers here at the Mission. We'd love for you to join us! If you're interested, please visit our website at www.streetsalive.ca. You can also call 403-320-1159 and speak to Tracie, she would love to hear from you!



Urgent Needs - Can You Help?

Think of us when you're doing your Spring cleaning!

All items donated are redistributed for free to those in need.

hoodies | jeans (sizes 28 - 32) | sweat pants/joggers
hygiene items | socks | new men's & women's underwear

furniture | appliances | any household items | non-perishable food items

Donations accepted at our **RePurpose Donation Centre**: 219 12B St. N.
(back alley) Monday to Saturday 9 -4 pm



Your generous gifts of time, talents, financial contributions, and donated items help make sure the ongoing needs for our most vulnerable are met.

Watch for BEACONS of HOPE in our Community

Be on the lookout for BEACONS of HOPE in businesses in the community - the BEACON of HOPE initiative is about working as a community to make a difference for everyone.

For more information or to become a BEACON of HOPE, contact Ally at ally@streetsalive.ca or call 403-942-5647



Streets Alive Mission is planning to raise an estimated \$1,500,000 this year on fundraising campaigns. It will cost the organization an estimated \$149,000. The money raised will be used to provide services for those struggling with poverty in our community.

THANK YOU FOR BRINGING HOPE FOR THE FUTURE TO OUR COMMUNITY.

Spring 2023

bringing hope



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By joining the Streets Alive Mission Helping Hands Monthly Giving Plan, you are the reason we are fulfilled. Through your continued financial support the vision of Streets Alive Mission is being fulfilled. You are the reason we are fulfilled. Hope to the Hopelless.

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