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We are happy to announce that plans are now set to address the three types of homelessness in our area: **For those who do not take advantage of any community resources and are truly street people**, we will be furnishing 24 snack bags/mo. consisting of 5 food items, water, rain ponchos, notebook & pen, emergency blanket, hygiene items, and winter wear when appropriate, as well as McDonald's gift cards, all distributed by an outreach team.

The Micah Center (a daytime shelter & resource shelter) is receiving cleaning and disinfecting supplies **for those who take advantage of meals and shelter, but unwilling or unable to take advantage of additional opportunities to escape homelessness.**

For those who are serious about getting out of homelessness and are willing and able to do the work, we will provide 175-225 meals/mo. at the NEW Community Shelter, a residential shelter with long term support for its' residents.

Veterans: Mary's Missions was able to furnish two veterans with beds and in one case, the bedding as well, thanks to some very generous donors. Another veteran received a recliner lift chair, thanks to your generous donations. We still have \$3,000 in reserve to support the "Little Houses" project by Veterans 1st of NEW. That organization continues to be plagued with lawsuits by neighbors who do not want the facility in their area.

Native American women & children: Additionally a program is now in place to send quarterly resources to our two Native American shelters – Sacred Shawl Shelter in Martin SD and Eagles Nest Emergency Shelter in Neopit, WI as we receive notice of their most urgent needs. We were also able to offer assistance to a local Native American mother and her family.

Recently we received a donation from Bits & Pallets, delivered to Mary's Missions by volunteers. It included a pallet of Styrofoam cups & lids, 135 pieces of new men's & women's underwear, a lot of men's socks, and 22 pieces of children's underwear, as well as 31 prs. of "no-show" socks. These were distributed to NEW Community Shelter, Milo C. Huempfer Health Care Center (veterans), Friends of PALS, and Foster the Village. Several dozen socks have been set aside to be included in our monthly snack bags-always 2 pr. in each bag.

Thank you to all who have supported Mary's Missions in any way. Financial help is crucial, and prayers, talents & skills are essential in carrying out our mission for the homeless, veterans, and Native American women & children.

Our website has been updated – you might want to take a look!

In Memory of:

Dennis Driessen
By: Dr. & Mrs. Eric Driessen

Patricia Driessen
By: Dr. Terri Driessen

Elmer & Helen Juedes
Gary Juedes
By: Mr. & Mrs. Michael McCormick

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Please make checks payable to Mary's Missions, Inc. and mail to the address below or visit our website.

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