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## **Ceremony Acknowledges Volunteers for Efforts to Help Serve the Poor**

(Redding, CA) In 2012, the Mission had over 300 volunteers than served over 30,000 hours. Today, the Mission will recognize many individuals and businesses that were part of providing much needed services to guests throughout 2012. This event has been coordinated to take place during National Volunteer Week.

In prior years the Mission has recognized three categories including: Business, Church and Individual. This year a fourth category for "Rescuer of the Year" will be added to include Civic groups. In addition to the "Rescuer of the Year" awards, every department is recognizing a volunteer of the year. In the Church category, Bethel Church will receive the award in response to their extraordinary volunteer efforts and compassion on site to serve the homeless. World Telecom & Surveillance will be honored as the business "Rescuer of the Year" because of their excellent service and volunteering to upgrade the communication system agency wide. In addition, during critical times they dropped everything to ensure the Mission was back up and running. After years of service Mike & Shirley Brady are being recognized in the Individual category because of their compassion, commitment, sacrificial time, character, and service in many capacities. Finally, Boy Scout Troop 37 has earned the recognition for Civic group of the year and the honor of having an additional category developed in response to their efforts. Three Scouts have selected the Mission to complete their Eagle Scout projects landscaping additions, new bike path for the children, and a shade structure over the play area. We expect over 120 volunteers in attendance as well as legislative representatives.

"I cannot imagine the Mission without faithful volunteers. Countless services are provided as a direct result of their efforts. They bring more than their time; they bring compassion and kindness to those who are in need". Sharre Whitson, Director of Community Relations

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### **ABOUT THE GOOD NEWS RESCUE MISSION**

The Good News Rescue Mission was founded in Redding in 1964 by a group of concerned Christians in our community. For thousands of men, women and children, the Mission has provided food, shelter, clothing, and spiritual hope through the Good News of Jesus Christ.

Since 1995, the Mission has expanded services to include the New Life Drug and Alcohol Recovery programs for men and women, transitional housing for graduates of that program, work search, free dental services, our Second Chance Ranch near Shingletown, California, as well as the Job Training and Academic Center.

By the Grace of God and through your generosity the Mission provided the following in 2012:

- 71,604 Safe Nights of Shelter
- 168,016 Total Meals Provided
- 54,666 Clothing, Furniture & other Household Items
- 5,444 Academic Center Hours

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