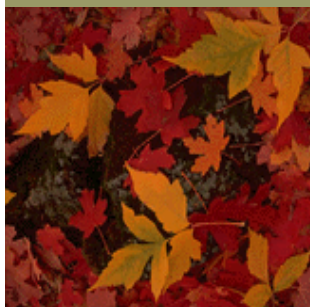


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HOPE-NET MINISTRIES, INC.

# Hope-Net Happenings

## Ramblings from Randy

What a Summer! It was long, hot and very busy. Covid still affects our volunteer base so our stores are on limited hours and our outreach activities are still suppressed.

We are able to go back into the correctional facilities and have continued to distribute bicycles and store vouchers.

Please pray for the women to start to come back to our weekly support meetings. It has been 18

months since they have been permitted to attend and it is taking time for them to re-engage with us.

We spent much of the month of August remodeling the Broadway store so we could develop our newest ministry. Our new Resource Center is designed to provide a safe place for our street friends to survive and thrive. Thanks to all of the volunteers who helped to make it happen!

To help fund this new outreach,

our upcoming fundraising banquet will be on October 21, please register ahead to attend.

If you can't make it, you can go to our website and make a donation and just designate it for the Resource Center.

Thank you to everyone who has donated, shopped, or volunteered, please stay safe.

*Randy Fontaine*

### Give Back Saturday

November 6, 2021

12:00—2:00pm

- Lunch Provided
- Winter kits available
- Other resources available

Could you donate winter items for our friends on the streets?

### Women of Worth Dinner

OCTOBER 21, 2021

Doors open at 5:45

Dinner 6:30

Hoff Family Arts & Culture Center

The 2021 Hope Rising Banquet will be held once again at the new Hoff Family Arts Center in Council Bluffs.

This year's guest speaker is Jon Ponder from Las Vegas. Jon is a three-time convicted bank robber who after his release in 2009, started a ministry, 'Hope for Prisoners.'

The evening will also include a chef catered dinner, updates on

Hope-Net Ministries, and the presentation of the Hope Rising award.

Seating is limited, so you will need to reserve your tickets in advance by going to our website or by email at info@hopenetministries.org.

**Would you like to sponsor and host your own table?**

You just need to invite your friends to come be your guest for an evening of great food, fellowship and inspirational stories of God's transforming power.

Just want to attend yourself? Just give us a call and we'll have a ticket for you—

### Sequels— Resource Center

Our new Resource Center for those on the streets has opened inside the Sequels store on Broadway.

Lockers are available for them to secure their back packs, their identification documents and other possessions.

A TV area with carpet, so if they need to crash, they can do it here.

We then built a small meeting room for groups like AA, OverComers in Christ, Winner's Circle, and Bible studies.

The Center also includes a bicycle repair shop, grocery distribution area and a



place to sit down and have a meal.

This gives us a place where we can sit down with folks and talk about life.

Some of the resources we need are socks, gloves, and hats for the winter. We also have room for grocery items that are suitable for those living on the streets.

When you get a chance, stop by the store and we'll give you a tour.

*Do you need a support group to help you stay clean and sober? Please come join us.*